

PROCEEDINGS
OF
Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons

OF THE
STATE OF FLORIDA.

Fifty-Seventh Annual Convocation,

HELD IN
THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE,

May 12, 13, A. D. 1903, A. I. 2433.

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GRAND OFFICERS
 OF THE
 M.:E.:GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA
 FOR
 A. I. 2433, A. D. 1903.

- M.:E.: THOS. G. HUTCHINSON, Grand High Priest,
 Jacksonville.
 R.:E.: LOUIS C. MASSEY, Deputy Grand High Priest,
 Orlando.
 R.:E.: OLIN S. WRIGHT, Grand King, Plant City.
 R.:E.: JOSEPH R. KELLER, Grand Scribe, Pensacola.
 R.:E.: MARCUS ENDEL, Grand Treasurer, Gainesville.
 R.:E.: WILBER P. WEBSTER, Grand Secretary, Jack-
 sonville,
 R.:R.: IRVING E. WEBSTER, Grand Chaplain, Gaines-
 ville.
 E.: Z. T. MERRITT Grand Captain of the Host, Buena
 Vista.
 E.: WM. S. JORDAN Grand Principal Sojourner, Mad-
 ison.
 E.: F. W. ARMSTRONG, Grand Royal Arch Captain,
 Tallahassee.
 E.: WARREN F. SCOTT, Grand Master Third Vail, Fer-
 nandina.
 E.: MELVILLE W. CARRUTH, Grand Master Second
 Vail, Tampa.
 E.: T. PICTON WARLOW, Grand Master First Vail,
 Orlando.
 E.: JAMES F. CLARK, Grand Guard, Jacksonville.

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OF THE

M.:E.:Grand Chapter of Florida.

The Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida, assembled in its Fifty-seventh Annual Convocation in Masonic Temple, in the city of Jacksonville, on Tuesday, May 12, A. D. 1903, A. I. 2433.

The roll being called, there were found to be present the following:

GRAND OFFICERS.

- JOHN R. WETHERELL, . . . M.:E.: Grand High Priest.
 THOS. G. HUTCHINSON, . . . R.:E.: Dep. G. High Priest.
 LOUIS C. MASSEY, R.:E.: Grand King.
 OLIN S. WRIGHT, R.:E.: Grand Scribe.
 WILBER P. WEBSTER, R.:E.: Grand Secretary.
 JOHN H. WEDDELL, as R.:R.: Grand Chaplain.
 JOSEPH R. KELLER, E.: G. Captain of the Host.
 Z. T. MERRITT, E.: G. Principal Sojourner.
 WM. S. JORDAN, E.: G. Royal Arch Captain.
 WARREN TYLER, as E.: G. Master Third Vail.
 F. W. ARMSTRONG, E.: G. Master Second Vail.
 WARREN F. SCOTT, E.: G. Master First Vail.
 JAMES F. CLARK, E.: Grand Guard.

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.

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| GEO. S. HALLMARK. | WM. E. ANDERSON. |
| ANGUS PATERSON. | JAMES W. BOYD. |
| SILAS B. WRIGHT. | WARREN TYLER. |

PROCEEDINGS OF THE

WILBER P. WEBSTER.
ELMER E. HASKELL.

JAMES CARNELL.
ALONZO M. CUSHMAN.

PAST DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

WARREN F. SCOTT.

PAST HIGH PRIESTS.

- O. J. HILL, St. John's Chapter No. 4
- OTIS L. KEENE, Jacksonville Chapter No. 12
- JOHN H. NORTON, Jacksonville Chapter No. 12
- WILLIAM S. WARE, Jacksonville Chapter No. 12

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS.

- Florida No. 1.—Victor F. Balkecom, H. P.
- Gainesville No. 2.—Herbert E. Taylor, H. P.
- Tampa No. 3.—Melville W. Carruth, H. P.
- St. John's No. 4.—John MacDiarmid, H. P.
- Halifax, No. 5.—George H. Clark, H. P.
- Mt. Horeb, No. 6.—Joseph R. Keller, H. P.
- Eureka, No. 7.—T. Picton Warlow, Proxy for H. P.
- Putnam No. 9.—Charles E. Rowton, King.
- Jericho, No. 11.—S. L. Patterson, H. P.
- Jacksonville, No. 12.—Henry G. Aird, H. P.; Thomas Hilditch, King; C. S. Hammatt, Scribe.
- Inverness, No. 14.—Lewis Thompson, King.
- Plant City, No. 16.—John H. Weddell, King.
- Lake Butler, No. 19.—J. J. Jones, H. P.
- Providence No. 20.—J. O. Harris, H. P.; J. W. Perry, King.
- Thomas Brown, No. 22.—Hugh W. Wear, H. P.; Warren Tyler, proxy for King; James W. Boyd, proxy for Scribe.
- Nassau, No. 23.—Warren F. Scott, H. P.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN FLORIDA.

- Alabama.....Geo. S. Hallmark.
- Arizona.....Thos. G. Hutchinson.
- Arkansas.....Wm. B. Barnett.
- California.....William S. Ware.
- Colorado.....J. R. Wetherell.
- Connecticut.....Warren Tyler.
- Delaware.....W. P. Webster.
- District of Columbia.....Silas B. Wright.
- Georgia.....John H. Norton.
- Illinois.....John H. Norton.
- Indian Territory.....Olin S. Wright.
- Iowa.....Silas B. Wright.
- Kansas.....Olin S. Wright.
- Kentucky.....James W. Boyd.
- Louisiana.....J. R. Wetherell.
- Maine.....Elmer E. Haskell.
- Maryland.....James Carnell.
- Minnesota.....A. M. Cushman.
- Missouri.....James W. Boyd.
- Nevada.....John J. Jones.
- New Jersey.....Warren F. Scott.
- New Mexico.....James Carnell.
- Pennsylvania.....Louis C. Massey.
- Rhode Island.....B. H. Chadwick.
- Scotland.....Geo. S. Hallmark.
- Tennessee.....Geo. S. Hallmark.
- Texas.....Angus Paterson.
- Virginia.....Joseph R. Keller.
- Washington.....Silas B. Wright.
- Wisconsin.....Warren Tyler.

A constitutional number of Grand Officers and Representatives of Constituent Chapters being present, the Grand Chapter was opened in ample form by the Grand High Priest, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following

Committee on Returns and Credentials—Louis C. Massey, John MacDiarmid, Warren F. Scott.

Upon motion of Past Grand High Priest Silas B. Wright, the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Convocation was dispensed with, they having been printed and distributed, and they were adopted as printed.

On motion of Past Grand High Priest Wright, all Royal Arch Masons in good standing were invited to attend the sessions of this Grand Chapter.

The Committee on Returns and Credentials made a verbal report that the list of Grand Officers and Representatives of Constituent Chapters was correct as prepared by the Grand Secretary at roll-call and asked for further time to make final report. On motion further time was granted.

The M. .E. .: Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following standing Committees :

Unfinished Business—Wm. S. Jordan, Wm. S. Ware, Z. T. Merritt.

Propositions and Grievances—Olin S. Wright, Geo. S. Hallmark, Otis L. Keene.

Dispensations and By-Laws—Warren Tyler, Alonzo M. Cushman, T. Picton Warlow.

Masonic Jurisprudence—Wm. E. Anderson, Angus Paterson, James W. Boyd, Silas B. Wright, James Carnell.

Finance and Accounts—Silas B. Wright, Joseph R. Keller, John H. Norton.

Memorials—John H. Weddell, Melville W. Carruth, Henry W. Davis.

The M. .E. .: Grand High Priest delivered the following address :

GRAND HIGH PRIEST'S ADDRESS.

To the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Florida:

Companions: Another year, another revolution of the wheel of life has passed, and we are again permitted to assemble in this Masonic Temple for the 57th Annual Convocation. And to this I bid you one and all a cordial and hearty welcome.

First, let us all unite in feelings of devout praise and gratitude to the God of our Fathers, for the many blessings we have enjoyed during the past year, that perfect harmony has prevailed throughout our borders, and that the official circle of this Grand Chapter remains unbroken.

The year has been a very uneventful one that has rolled smoothly along like a placid river, yet we are sadly reminded that the Angel of Death has not passed us by, but that seventeen of our companions have crossed to "that land beyond the river."

FRATERNAL DEAD.

Only a few weeks after the close of our last Grand Convocation, I received notice that R. .E. .: Companion M. D. Cushing of Tampa, Past Grand Captain of the Host, had ceased from his labors. Companion Cushing has been an active member of this Grand Chapter for many years and had successively filled the offices of Masters of the Vails, Principal Sojourner, and Captain of the Host. He was also the Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Georgia near this Grand Chapter. He was quiet and unassuming in his way, yet a worthy companion and zealous

Mason, and will be kindly remembered by all who knew him.

R. E. : Companion D. W. Stanley died at his home in Bartow, November 15, 1902. He was a Past High Priest of Thomas Brown Chapter No. 22, Grand Principal Sojourner of this Grand Chapter in 1901, and also Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Canada near this Grand Chapter. Big hearted, genial, with a smile and pleasant word for every one, he was universally beloved and a tinge of sadness comes over us as we realize that Companion Stanley will meet with us here no more. He was an honorable man and his life was marked by zeal, energy and good deeds.

The following companions of our subordinate Chapters have passed the Vails since our last Grand Convocation:

Gainesville No. 2, Companions William C. Jackson and Robert Lee Robb.

Tampa No. 3, Companions William Irwin and H. S. Sawyer.

Mount Horeb No. 6, Companions Andrew Anderson and Cornelius A. Higgins.

Madison No. 8, Companions Joseph Townsend and M. Howell Waring.

Putnam No. 9, Companion Robert Barnes.

Jasper No. 10, Companion J. E. Hanna.

Jericho No. 11, Companion John Thornton.

Lake Butler No. 19, Companions J. R. Richards, A. Crosby and D. A. Reaves.

Providence No. 20, Companion Henry R. Melton.

Many illustrious Companions of sister jurisdictions have been called from labor to rest. To their bereaved companions we extend our heartfelt sympathy. The following have been reported to me:

Arkansas—George Presley Taylor, Past Grand High Priest.

Arizona—Frederick Arnold Sweet, Past Grand High Priest.

California—Hiram Throop Greaves, for nearly thirty years Grand Treasurer.

Colorado—William Newton Byers, Past Grand High Priest.

District of Columbia—Noble Danforth Learner, Past Grand High Priest, and Past General Grand High Priest.

Illinois—Wiley M. Egan, Past Grand High Priest.

Kansas—Andrew M. Callahan, Past Grand High Priest; William D. Thompson, Past Grand High Priest; Edward Alexander Smith, Past Deputy Grand High Priest.

Maine—Has indeed cause for sorrow in the loss of that brilliant and illustrious Companion, Josiah H. Drummond, Past Grand High Priest, and Past General Grand High Priest.

Maryland—Has also been afflicted in the loss of George Lewis McCahan, Past Grand High Priest, and Past General Grand High Priest. Charles H. Ohr, Past Grand High Priest; William Henry Shryock, Past Grand High Priest.

Michigan—Jefferson S. Conover, Grand Secretary.

Minnesota—William F. Dickinson, Past Grand High Priest; Frank B. Fobes, Past Grand High Priest; William J. Hahn, Past Grand High Priest; William Lee, Grand Chaplain; Solon Armstrong, Grand Treasurer.

Nevada—Albert Lackey, Past Grand High Priest.

New Brunswick—John Alexander Watson, Past Grand High Priest.

New Jersey—George B. Edwards, Grand Secretary.

New York—James D. Pollard, Past Grand High Priest; James Byron Murray, Grand Chaplain.

Ohio—John Day Caldwell, Grand Secretary Emeritus for life; William W. Savage, Past Grand High Priest.

Oregon—Ferdinand N. Shurtleff, Past Grand High Priest.

South Carolina—William Harper Witherow, Past Grand High Priest; Andrew Hutchin White, Past Grand High Priest.

Texas—George Lopas, Jr., Grand Secretary; S. J. Morriss, Past Grand High Priest.

Virginia—Thos. Edward Schwartz, Past Grand High Priest; Jacob Bumgardner, Past Grand High Priest.

Wisconsin—Charles Valdo Bardeen, Past Grand High Priest.

These our Companions, and once our fellow workmen on the Temple have passed from the scene of their earthly labors to receive their wages in the Grand Temple on high.

Why should we sorrow for the dead?

Our life on earth is but a span.
They tread the path we all must tread,
They die the common lot of man.

The soul, the eternal soul, must reign
In worlds devoid of pain and strife:
Then why should mortal man complain
Of death which leads to happier life?

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Upon the recommendation of the several Grand High Priests, I have issued commissions to the following Companions to act as Grand Representatives of this Grand Chapter near their respective Grand Chapters:

New York, May 26, 1902, James W. Morange.

Alabama, Nov. 18th, 1902, Stephen C. Henderson.

Nebraska, Jan. 17th, 1903, Mark Butler.

I have recommended the following companions as representatives of other Grand Chapters near this Grand Chapter:

Georgia, June 21st, 1902, J. H. Norton.

Kansas, Nov. 5th, 1902, Olin S. Wright.

DISPENSATIONS.

For reasons that seemed to me to be for the good of the order, I have granted the following dispensations, and remitted the fees for the same:

On Sept. 13th, 1902, To Thomas Brown Chapter No. 22, to ballot at a Special Convocation on petitions of candidates, they having failed of a quorum at its last regular convocation.

On October 24th, 1902, To Mt. Horeb Chapter No. 6, to hold a Special Convocation to ballot on petitions of well known candidates. All companions to have due notice thereof.

On Dec. 29th, 1902, To Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, To hold Special Convocation for the Election of Officers and the transaction of other business, as their regular convocation came on Christmas Day. All companions to have due notice thereof.

On Feb. 5th, 1903, To Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, To hold Special Convocation to receive and ballot on petitions of candidates, they having failed to hold meeting at their regular convocation on account of the Grand Lodge being in session.

On March 11th, 1903, To Plant City Chapter No. 16, upon petition signed by the King, Scribe and sixteen other companions, all who were present at a regular convocation, to elect a High Priest and fill other vacancies, the High Priest having removed from this Jurisdiction, and the King and Scribe being away from home much of the time.

On April 27th, 1903, To Mt. Horeb Chapter No. 6, To hold Special Convocation to receive and ballot on the petitions of two Seafaring candidates, who were suddenly ordered to sea. All companions to have due notice thereof.

BY-LAWS.

On Nov. 8th, 1902, I approved an amendment to the By-Laws of Gainesville Chapter No. 2, changing the time of holding their convocations from the First to the Fourth Monday of each month.

On April 30th, 1903, I approved an amendment to the By-Laws of Plant City Chapter No. 16, changing the time of holding their convocations from the First to the Second Friday in each month.

DECISIONS.

The only approach to a decision that I have made, was on March 17th, I received a communication from the Secretary of Island Chapter No. 21, at Key West, requesting me to give the High Priest of said Chapter authority to suspend without action of the chapter, certain Companions who were in arrears for dues.

I replied, that I had no such power, that a companion could not be suspended without due action of the Chapter to which he belonged.

ST. AUGUSTINE CHAPTER.

On Feb. 27th, 1903, I received a petition signed by the requisite number of companions, praying for a dispensation to form and hold a Chapter at St. Augustine to be known as St. Augustine Chapter U. D., which petition was recommended by Putnam Chapter No. 9, at Palatka. Believing that there was a good field at that place for a chapter, I granted the dispensation, naming Companion W. A. MacWilliams, as High Priest, Companion Henry W. Davis, as King, and Companion John W. Sineath, as Scribe.

As it was impossible for me to be present at St. Augustine, to institute the new Chapter, Past Grand High Priest James Carnell, kindly officiated. The following is his report:

J. R. Wetherell, Esq., M. .E. .: Grand High Priest:

Dear Sir and Companion—I have the honor to report that on March 15th, accompanied by Companions B. F. Hough and W. E. Ballough, we went to St. Augustine, where we met Companion C. L. Smith, all members of Halifax Chapter. Early on the morning of the 16th, we met at Masonic Hall and at 9:30 a. m. opened a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, when your Dispensation authorizing the formation of a R. A. Chapter U. D. was read, and

business was proceeded with under that authority. Twenty-four brethren were elected to membership in the new Chapter, and all preliminary arrangements were made before the noon hour.

At 1:30 p. m., a Lodge of Mark Masters was opened, and nineteen brethren were advanced to the honorary degree of Mark Masters, also inducted into the Oriental Chair of King Solomon, and received and acknowledged Most Excellent Masters, during the afternoon session.

At the evening session beginning promptly at 7:30, six teams were exalted Royal Arch Masons, which you will admit I have no doubt, was a pretty good day's work as well as a pretty long one. We departed for our hotel just before 3 o'clock a. m.

The new chapter has a most complete and very fine outfit, including Officers' robes, and as it is composed of exceptionally intelligent men, its prospects for success are very bright indeed, and I predict for them a most successful future.

Fraternally yours,

JAMES CARNELL.

VISITATIONS.

I have not been able to make as many official visits as I expected. On June 17th I visited Eureka Chapter No. 7, at Orlando, and witnessed the conferring of the Royal Arch Degree, which was successfully rendered despite the heat of the evening, which was excessive.

Eureka Chapter is one of our oldest, and I am pleased to report one of the most prosperous, and has had quite a revival of work the past year.

St. John Chapter No. 4 at DeLand, my home Chapter, I regret to say has had but little work the past year, but the prospects are good for the future.

On Jan. 16th I visited Nassau Chapter No. 23 at Fernandina. I had heard of the prosperity of this Chapter and was anxious to meet the Companions. I was royally received and welcomed, and assisted in conferring the

Royal Arch Degree. Two of the candidates were members of the clerical profession and were evidently appreciative ones. The work was well done and the officers skilled in the duties of their respective stations.

It is less than two years since this Chapter was restored yet they have exalted twenty candidates to the R. A. Degree. The Chapter has a newly furnished hall, a complete set of robes, not only for the officers, but for all the companions, no debts but money in the bank and the Chapter property well insured. I noticed several features that were worthy of commendation. The Chapter was opened promptly on time, officers all present to take their stations. When I inquired if the constitutional requirement of recording Marks was complied with, I was informed that every companion had recorded his Mark, and when the book was presented to me for inspection I was much surprised. Not only were the Marks recorded but all were beautifully engrossed in its appropriate place on each page. I was also pleased to notice the absence of any levity during the work. Nearly thirty companions were present. After Chapter we repaired to the hotel and partook of a banquet. I can not refrain from expressing words of appreciation for E. High Priest W. F. Scott. It is largely through his exertions that the Chapter has attained its present prosperity.

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

John R. Wetherell, Grand High Priest:

Dear Companion—Your favor of April 7th duly received and I have been holding my reply thinking I would be able to keep an appointment I made to visit Nassau Chapter on their regular meeting night in April, but was compelled to cancel it.

On June 2nd, 1902, I visited Gainesville Chapter No. 2 and witnessed conferring of Mark, Past and Most Excellent Masters Degrees, and on June 5th, 1902, I visited Lake Butler Chapter No. 19, and witnessed the conferring

of the Mark, Past, Most Excellent Masters and the Royal Arch Degrees. Both of these Chapters I found in excellent condition, charters well preserved and money in the treasury.

It has been my pleasure to visit Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 frequently during the year and I am pleased to say that they are in a better condition than ever before, and I am creditably informed that the same is true of all Chapters in the district assigned to me.

Fraternally yours,

T. G. HUTCHINSON,
Deputy Grand High Priest.

REPORT OF THE GRAND KING.

M. :E. : Companion John R. Wetherell, Grand High Priest:

Dear Companion—I submit my report on the Chapters assigned to me for visitation at the last Grand Convocation.

Florida Chapter No. 1 at Tallahassee. This chapter is in good condition, holding its regular semi-monthly meetings, and doing good work with its material.

Mt. Horeb Chapter No. 6 at Pensacola. Greatly to my regret and contrary to my expectations, I was unable to visit this Chapter in person. Finding that I could not reach Pensacola, I requested M. :E. : Companion Wm. E. Anderson, P. G. H. P., to report to me on this Chapter. This he kindly did, reporting that the Chapter was in prosperous condition, increasing in membership and having a number of candidates for the several degrees. This is a strong Chapter numerically, having 60 members, and stronger in the fact that there is complete harmony among its members.

Eureka Chapter No. 7, at Orlando. The increase in membership of this Chapter during the past year has been remarkable, amounting to something like 50 per cent.

Much interest has been shown and the work has improved.

Madison Chapter No. 8, at Madison. I was obliged, as in the case of Mt. Horeb Chapter, to request an experienced companion to report on this Chapter to me. This request I made of M. :E. : Companion Angus Paterson, P. G. H. P., who kindly acceded to my request. He reports to me that the outlook for the Chapter is encouraging. It has conferred all the degrees on two candidates, and has three elected candidates awaiting the degrees.

Monroe Chapter No. 15, at Sanford. This Chapter has several candidates awaiting the degrees, but owing to the membership being largely composed of railroad men, it is difficult to obtain a quorum many times. The zealous High Priest J. E. Terwilliger, informed me that he would give me notice if a quorum could be got together for the purpose of conferring the degrees, at the time I proposed to make my visitation. As I have received no notice from him, I have no doubt that his Chapter has failed to meet.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS C. MASSEY, Grand King.

REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE.

J. R. Wetherell, M. :E. : Grand High Priest:

Most Excellent Companion—Your assignment to me consisted of four Chapters, all of which I have visited and report as follows:

On Nov. 14th I visited Inverness Chapter No. 14, at which time there were present 14 companions. They conferred the Royal Arch Degree in full form. The Ex. High Priest, Dr. Miller, is very zealous and evidently desires to comply with every regulation. Their books are well kept, and they have considerable work.

On Nov. —, I visited Tampa Chapter No. 3, and wit-
Grand Chap. 2.

nessed the conferring of the Past Masters Degree, which was done in an orderly manner. Fifteen were present. They have a large amount of work and should be more zealous than they are in living up to every requirement in the ritual. Their books are neatly and accurately kept.

On Dec. 31st I visited Plant City Chapter No. 16. Twenty-two Companions were present. The Royal Arch Degree was conferred in full form. This Chapter has been in debt, which I am pleased to say is all paid.

On April 22nd, I visited Thomas Brown Chapter, at Bartow, and witnessed the conferring of the Mark Masters Degree in full form on two candidates. Eighteen Companions were present. Books are well and neatly kept. This Chapter has about \$800 invested and in the treasury, and is doing very good work, as we would naturally expect with Past Grand High Priests, J. W. Boyd and Warren Tyler as their most active members. Viewing the situation generally, I should say, the Chapters are in flourishing condition, and with fervency and zeal are endeavoring to comply with all regulations.

Fraternally submitted,

OLIN S. WRIGHT, *Grand Scribe.*

GENERAL PROSPERITY.

While I am constrained to say that a few Chapters in the Jurisdiction do not display the enthusiasm that they should, yet I feel justified in asserting that most of the Chapters are making steady advancement in the line of good work; that the regulation of recording "Marks" is generally complied with, and the year has been a prosperous one, showing a most satisfactory gain in membership, the increase being nearly twice the number of the preceding year.

I am also satisfied that the official visits by the Grand Council Officers, are productive of much good.

CIPHER BOOKS.

The general use of the "cipher book" in many chapters is a growing evil, and so long as they are tolerated, so long will there be too many officials who will make no effort to commit the work to memory.

RECOMMENDATION.

In the interest of Royal Arch Masonry, I would suggest a regulation "Forbidding the use of cipher books in open Chapter."

ROYAL ARCH DEGREE.

I regret that there is a tendency in some Chapters to take too much liberty with the candidates while conferring the Royal Arch Degree. There is no place in Masonry for any levity or buffoonery. It mars the solemnity and destroys the effect of the beautiful symbolism of our traditions, and must produce anything but a favorable effect on an intelligent candidate.

I would make a verbal recommendation on this subject.

The General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States will convene some time during this summer, and I would call your attention to the desirability of having our Grand Chapter represented.

CONCLUSION.

Companions, let us remember that Free Masonry in its last analysis is goodness, and that this is its only claim to lasting greatness. This is what gives it its living power.

Then let us so live, that when the Supreme Grand High Priest of the Universe shall summon us into his Eternal Presence, we may not only find our names recorded in the book of Eternal Life, but be kindly remembered by those we leave behind for the good we have done for others.

To our worthy Grand Secretary, W. P. Webster, I am deeply indebted for his kind assistance.

And now I desire to express to you all my deep appreciation of the honor you conferred upon me by electing me to the highest office in your power. And it will ever be among the pleasant memories of my life, that I was once your Grand High Priest.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN R. WETHERELL,
Grand High Priest.

Upon motion of Companion J. R. Keller, the foregoing address was received and referred to a special committee of three for distribution of subjects.

The R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest appointed as such committee. Companions J. R. Keller, H. W. Wear, J. O. Harris.

A letter was received from Companion J. F. Miller, Grand Master of the Third Vail, expressing his regrets at not being able to be present at this Convocation owing to business. The Grand Secretary reported that the Grand Chaplain, Irving E. Webster, was unavoidably absent on account of important business. The Grand Secretary was directed to write to these Companions expressing the regrets of the Grand Chapter at their absence, and extending good wishes to them.

The Grand Secretary presented the following report which was received and referred to the special committee on distribution:

Grand Secretary's Report.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:
Companions: I have to report matters pertaining to my office for the past year as follows:

Four hundred copies of the proceedings of our last Annual Grand Convocation were printed and distributed in the usual manner.

By order of the M. E. Grand High Priest, commissions have been prepared and forwarded to Companions James W. Morange, Albany, N. Y., Stephen C. Henderson, Brewton, Ala.

bama, and Mark Butler, Geneva, Nebraska, appointing them representatives of the Grand Chapter of Florida in their respective Jurisdictions.

Commissions have been received and delivered as follows: From the Grand Chapter of Georgia, appointing Companion John H. Norton, of Jacksonville, as the representative of the Grand Chapter of Georgia near the Grand Chapter of Florida; from the Grand Chapter of Virginia, appointing Companion Joseph R. Keller, of Pensacola, as their representative in this Jurisdiction, and from the Grand Chapter of Kansas, appointing Companion Olin S. Wright as the representative of the Grand Chapter of Kansas in Florida.

By order of the M. E. Grand High Priest, a dispensation was prepared on the 27th day of February, to form St. Augustine Chapter U. D. at St. Augustine, with Wm. A. MacWilliams as High Priest, Henry W. Davis as King and John W. Sineath as Scribe. This Chapter has been working regularly, and now comes before you with a petition for a charter. The papers are ready to be placed in the hands of the proper committee.

Returns were in my office from every Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction within the required limit as to time, and all have paid their dues in full for 1902, except Monroe, No. 15.

Madison Chapter No. 8, still owes a balance of \$64.30 on back dues.

The paraphernalia of Ocala Chapter, No. 13, defunct, has not yet been sent in though I have written several times in regard to it.

The thanks of this Grand Chapter are due to the Grand Chapter of Illinois for a bound volume of their proceedings for the years 1850 to 1863, inclusive, also to the Grand Chapter of Nebraska for a bound volume of their proceedings for 1898 to 1901.

The printer having made a very reasonable rate for inserting a cut of one of our Past Grand High Priests, I would recommend that we have one inserted in the proceedings for this year.

Fraternally submitted,

W. P. WEBSTER,
Grand Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

W. P. Webster, Grand Secretary, to the Grand Chapter of Florida.

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To Dues Thomas Brown Chapter, No. 21, 1902	33
To Dues Nassau Chapter, No. 22, 1902	25
To Charter fee St. Augustine Chapter, No. 23, 1902	45
To Charter fee St. Augustine Chapter, No. 24, 1902	50
Total	\$1,600

Nov. 11, 1902, By Paid Grand Treasurer	96
Feb. 17, 1903, By Paid Grand Treasurer	508
March 26, 1903, By Paid Grand Treasurer	292
April 25, 1903, By Paid Grand Treasurer	75
May 12, 1903, By Paid Grand Treasurer	50
Total	\$1,000

Vouchers and books herewith submitted for approval.

Report of Grand Treasurer
which was received and referred to the following report on Finance and Accounts:

Marcus Endel, Grand Treasurer, Jacksonville, Fla., May 12, 1903, per Grand Chapter of Florida.	
DR.	
May 14, 1902, To balance on hand	\$ 1233.68
Feb. 11, 1903, To received from Grand Secretary	36.00
March 26, 1903, To received from Grand Secretary	508.00
April 25, 1903, To received from Grand Secretary	292.00
May 12, 1903, To received from Grand Secretary	75.00
May 12, 1903, Int. Commercial Bank	89.00
Total	\$2,333.68

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May 14, 1902, By paid Pay Roll	\$ 347.31
By vouchers paid No. 1-10 attached	356.99
Total	704.30
Balance on hand	\$1549.68
Fraternally submitted,	
MARCUS ENDEL, Grand Treasurer.	

An amendment to Section 9, Article I, of the Constitution was proposed by Companion Massey to read as follows:

INSTALLATION.

Art. I, Sec. 9.—The installation of the officers of this Grand Chapter shall take place during the Annual Grand Convocation at which they are elected or appointed. Provided, that any such officers who cannot be present at the regular time for installation, may be installed in such Chapter or Chapters as the Grand Chapter may designate, and in such case the Secretary of the Chapter in which such installation shall take place shall forthwith certify the fact to the Grand Secretary.

Upon motion the amendment was sanctioned and ordered printed in the proceedings for final action at the next Annual Convocation.

The Special Committee on Distribution made the following report, which was received and adopted:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

To the M. E.: Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

Your Committee on Distribution of Subjects recommend that so much of the M. E.: Grand High Priest's address as refers to the fraternal dead be referred to the Committee on Memorials.

That so much as refers to dispensations granted be referred to the Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws.

That so much as refers to decisions of the M. E.: Grand High Priest be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

That so much as refers to approval of By-Laws be referred to the Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws.

That so much as refers to use of cypher books, verbal and written recommendations regarding secret work, be referred to the Committee on Work.

We recommend that the M. E.: Grand High Priest or senior Council officer attending the Thirty-second Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter of the United States of America, or in case of their inability to attend, the regularly

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authorized proxy of the M. E. Grand High Priest, be allowed the same mileage and per diem as paid by the General Grand Chapter to its officers, the same to be paid by this Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted

J. R. KELLER,

H. W. WEAR,

J. O. HARRIS,

Committee.

Upon motion of Companion Tyler that portion of the report of the Special Committee on Distribution referring to the pay of the representative to the General Grand Chapter was referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts to arrange for an appropriation.

The Committee on Returns and Credentials made the following report which was received and adopted:

RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:
Your Committee on Returns and Credentials respectfully report,—

1. That the list of Grand Officers and Representatives present as read by the Grand Secretary at roll-call is correct.
2. That the following Chapters have made correct returns and paid their dues in full for 1902 within the time allowed and are therefore entitled to representation, per diem and mileage: Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23. Monroe Chapter No. 15 has not paid its dues and there remains due from Madison Chapter No. 8, \$64.30 for back dues.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS C. MASSEY,

JOHN MacDIARMID,

WARREN F. SCOTT,

Committee.

Upon motion of Companion Massey the exemplification of the Mark Master and Past Master's degrees was omitted this year and the Committee on Work was requested to exemplify the Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch degrees.

M. E. Companion Paterson announced that the Annual Session of the Order of High Priesthood would

be held on Wednesday at 2:30 P. M., at which time the Order would be conferred.

The motion of Past Grand High Priest Wright prevailed, that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to resume labor at 3:30 P. M.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 3:30 P. M.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. E. Grand High Priest, with officers and members as at morning session.

The minutes of morning session were read and adopted.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence made the following report which was received and adopted:

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence to whom was referred so much of the report of the M. E. Grand High Priest as refers to "decisions," report that we find but one decision, made in reply to a request from the Secretary of Island Chapter No. 21, asking for authority to the High Priest to suspend without action of the Chapter, certain Companions who were in arrears for dues. We approve the decision of the M. E. Grand High Priest as being strictly in accordance with Masonic Law.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. E. ANDERSON,

ANGUS PATERSON,

JAMES W. BOYD,

SILAS B. WRIGHT,

JAMES CARNELL,

Committee.

The Committee on Memorials made the following report which was received and adopted:

MEMORIALS.

To the M. E. M. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Memorials respectfully report the following:

It is with sincere regret that we are called upon to record the loss to this Grand Jurisdiction of Companion Monroe D. Cushing, D. W. Stanley and Cornelius A. Higgins, past High Priests, and fourteen other Companions during the past year. They have finished their labors and have gone before us to present the last work of this life for final inspection and final report. They have passed within the veil of another world and another life; and while we must miss them from our earthly assemblies and regret their loss to the Craft, we take comfort in the thought that there remains an eternal Sabbath for all who have wrought with faith and fidelity in the work assigned them by the Great High Priest above. To their respective Chapters we convey our fraternal regret that their seats must be vacant forever; and to their bereaved families and friends who must miss them most, we extend our heartfelt sympathy for the loss that has befallen them.

Resolved that a page of the proceedings be devoted to their memory.
Fraternally submitted.

J. H. WEDDELL,
M. W. CARRUTH,
H. W. DAVIS,
Committee.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report which was received and adopted:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the M. E. M. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that nothing has been presented to them for their consideration.
Fraternally submitted.

WM. S. JORDAN,
WM. S. WARE,
Z. T. MERRITT,
Committee.

The motion was made and carried that the Grand Chapter proceed at once with the annual election of Grand Officers.

The M. E. M. Grand High Priest appointed Past Grand High Priests Silas B. Wright and A. M. Cushman as Tellers and the following Grand Officers were unanimously elected:

GRAND OFFICERS ELECTED.

M. E. M. Grand High Priest, Thos. G. Hutchinson.
R. E. M. Deputy Grand High Priest, Louis C. Massey.
R. E. M. Grand King, Olin S. Wright.
R. E. M. Grand Scribe, Joseph R. Keller.
R. E. M. Grand Treasurer, Marcus Endel.
R. E. M. Grand Secretary, Wilber P. Webster.
R. R. M. Grand Chaplain, Irving E. Webster.

The motion of Past Grand High Priest Carnell prevailed that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to meet with Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, at 7:30 P. M. to witness the exemplification of the work in the M. E. M. degree by the Committee on Work.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

TUESDAY, MAY 12, 7:30 P. M.

The Grand Chapter visited Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 and witnessed the exemplification of the work in the M. E. M. degree by the Committee on Work after which it resumed labor.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and adopted.

The Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws made the following report which was received and adopted:

DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Florida:

We, your Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws, respectfully report:

1. That we recommend that the several dispensations granted and approvals of changes in by-laws of different subordinate Chapters reported in the address of the M. E. Grand High Priest be approved.

2. That we have carefully examined the report of work done by St. Augustine Royal Arch Chapter U. D., under the dispensation issued by the M. E. Grand High Priest, a copy of the minutes of the several convocations held by said Chapter U. D.; and a copy of the proposed By-Laws to be enforced therein, and finding the same to be in accord with the Rules and Regulations of this Grand Chapter, we recommend the approval of the same after a few verbal corrections have been made in their minutes which have been explained to the representative of said Chapter, and that a charter be granted said Chapter under the name of St. Augustine Royal Arch Chapter No. 17.

Fraternally submitted,
WARREN TYLER,
A. M. CUSHMAN,
T. PICTON WARLOW,
Committee.

The motion of Companion John H. Norton prevailed that a Committee of five (5) be appointed to look into the matter and report on the advisability of inviting the General Grand Chapter to hold their next triennial convocation in this city next fall.

The M. E. Grand High Priest appointed as such committee, Companions Thos. G. Hutchinson, John H. Norton, Silas B. Wright, Warren Tyler and James Carnell.

The motion of Companion Massey prevailed, that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to resume labor at ten o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 10:00 A. M.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. E. Grand High Priest with officers and members as at previous sessions.

The minutes of the evening session were read and adopted.

Past Grand High Priest Paterson proposed an amendment to Section 38, Article II, of the Constitution, to read as follows:

Sec. 38. The High Priest shall preside at the several convocations of the Chapter, and, in case of his absence or inability to act, his powers and prerogatives shall vest in the King and Scribe in succession. In the absence of all these officers from a Stated or Special convocation regularly called, the Junior Past High Priest present may open the Chapter and preside.

Upon motion the proposed amendment was sanctioned and ordered printed in the proceedings for final action at the next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts made the following report which was received and adopted:

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Finance and Accounts beg leave to report as follows:

We have examined the books of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and find them correctly and carefully kept. We congratulate the Royal Craft upon the careful and economical management of these officers and the efficient manner in which the affairs of their offices have been conducted.

We recommend that the invested funds of the Grand Chapter remain at interest as recommended by your Finance Committee at the last Annual Grand Convocation, and that such additions be made to the reserve as circumstances will permit.

For the current expenses of the Grand Chapter for the ensuing year we recommend the following appropriations:

For pay-roll hereto attached, \$352.20; salary of Grand Secretary, payable quarterly, \$200, for rent for library room, \$50.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary, with the consent of the Grand High Priest, be authorized to draw warrants for such amounts as may be necessary for printing, stationery, postage and other incidentals, for the use of the Grand High Priest, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and for the expenses of this Grand Convocation and that the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay such warrants.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized and instructed to credit the account of Madison Chapter No. 8, with the sum of \$20.00, which was paid by them several years ago, prior to the opening of the books of the present Grand Secretary and which, though accounted for and paid to the Grand Treasurer, has never been credited to the account of said Chapter.

We recommend that the senior Council Officer of this Grand Chapter, or in their absence, the duly appointed proxy of the Grand High Priest, be paid his necessary traveling expenses and such per diem as is paid by the General Grand Chapter to their Grand Officers in attending the coming Triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter, provided the said convocation is held east of the Rocky Mountains, and the Grand Secretary is hereby authorized to draw a warrant for the amount.

We recommend that the Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary be constituted a special committee to procure designs and estimates for a Past Grand High Priest's Jewel and in case a satisfactory Jewel can be procured for a reasonable sum, to order six, and have them ready for presentation to Past Grand High Priests George S. Hallmark, William E. Anderson, Angus Paterson, Marcus Endel, James W. Boyd and John R. Wetherell, at our next Annual Grand Convocation, and that hereafter, one such Jewel shall be ordered annually, to be presented to the retiring Grand High Priest, and as many other such Jewels as the funds of the Grand Chapter shall warrant, to be presented to such other Past Grand High Priests as may be selected by the Grand Chapter, and in case such Jewels are ordered the Grand Secretary is authorized and directed to draw a warrant to pay for same.

We have placed upon the pay-roll, the name of the representative of St. Augustine Chapter U. D., who is present at this Grand Convocation, and to whose Chapter a charter has been granted at this session, and recommend that he be paid the usual per diem and mileage.

We recommend that a cut of the retiring Grand High Priest be published with the proceedings of the Grand Chapter each year, and also a cut of one of the senior Past Grand High Priests each year until all available have been published.

Fraternally submitted,

SILAS B. WRIGHT,
JOSEPH R. KELLER,
JOHN H. NORTON,
Committee.

PAY ROLL.

NAMES.	CHAPTER OR OFFICE	Mile- age	Per diem	Total
J. R. Wetherell	G. H. P.	\$ 4.75	\$ 4.00	\$ 8.75
T. G. Hutchinson	Dep. G. H. P.		4.00	4.00
L. C. Massey	Grand King	6.00	4.00	10.00
Olin S. Wright	G. S.	9.10	4.00	13.10
Z. T. Merritt	G. P. S.	14.70	4.00	18.70
W. S. Jordan	G. R. A. C.	4.65	4.00	8.65
F. W. Armstrong	G. M. 2nd V.	6.45	4.00	10.45
W. E. Anderson	P. G. H. P.	24.00	4.00	28.00
G. S. Hallmark	P. G. H. P.		4.00	4.00
Angus Paterson	P. G. H. P.	4.65	4.00	8.65
J. W. Boyd	P. G. H. P.	8.30	4.00	12.30
S. B. Wright	P. G. H. P.	4.75	4.00	8.75
Warren Tyler	P. G. H. P.	8.30	4.00	12.30
James Carnell	P. G. H. P.	4.65	4.00	8.65
A. M. Cushman	P. G. H. P.	3.05	4.00	7.05
James F. Clark	G. Guard		5.00	5.00
W. F. Balkcom	Florida No. 1	6.85	4.00	10.85
H. E. Taylor	Gainesville No. 2	3.05	4.00	7.05
M. W. Carruth	Tampa No. 3	8.65	4.00	12.65
John MacDiarmid	St. John's No. 4	4.75	4.00	8.75
George H. Clark	Halifax No. 5	4.65	4.00	8.65
J. R. Keller	Mt. Horeb No. 6	24.00	4.00	28.00
T. P. Warlow	Eureka No. 7	6.00	4.00	10.00
M. G. Buck	Madison No. 8	4.65	4.00	8.65
Charles E. Rowton	Putnam No. 9	2.45	4.00	6.45
S. L. Patterson	Jericho No. 11	14.70	4.00	18.70
H. G. Aird	Jacksonville No. 12		4.00	4.00
Lewis Thompson	Inverness No. 14	5.85	4.00	9.85
J. H. Weddell	Plant City No. 16	9.10	4.00	13.10
J. J. Jones	Lake Butler No. 19	2.30	4.00	6.30
J. O. Harris	Providence No. 20	2.65	4.00	6.65
Hugh W. Ware	Thos. Brown No. 22	8.30	4.00	12.30
Warren F. Scott	Nassau No. 23	2.00	4.00	6.00
H. W. Davis	St. Augustine U. D.	1.90	4.00	5.90
				\$352.20

The M. :E. : Grand High Priest elect announced the appointment of the following Grand Officers :

E. : Grand Captain of the Host, Z. T. Merritt.
 E. : Grand Principal Sojourner, William S. Jordan.
 E. : Grand Royal Arch Captain, F. W. Armstrong.
 E. : Grand Master Third Vail, Warren F. Scott.
 E. : Grand Master Second Vail, Melville W. Carruth.
 E. : Grand Master First Vail, T. Picton Warlow.
 E. : Grand Guard, James F. Clark.

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances made the following report which was received and adopted :

PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES.

To the M. :E. : Grand Chapter of Florida:
 Your Committee on Propositions and Grievances report that nothing has been referred to them and that peace and harmony prevail throughout our Jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted,
 OLIN S. WRIGHT,
 GEO. S. HALLMARK,
 O. L. KEENE,
 Committee.

The following telegram was received from Past Grand High Priest Wm. H. Jewell:

TALLAHASSEE FLA., MAY 13, 1903.
 W. P. Webster,
 Masonic Temple, Jacksonville, Fla.;
 Sorry cannot be with you. Greetings to Companions and Fraters.
 WM. H. JEWELL.

The Grand Secretary was directed to acknowledge receipt of the telegram and express regrets of the Grand Chapter.

By request of the retiring Grand High Priest, the following Grand Officers were installed by Past Grand High Priest Warren Tyler assisted by Past Grand High Priest Silas B. Wright as Grand Marshal.

Thos. G. Hutchinson, M. :E. : Grand High Priest.
 Louis C. Massey, R. :E. : Deputy Grand High Priest.
 Olin S. Wright, R. :E. : Grand King.
 Joseph R. Keller, R. :E. : Grand Scribe.
 Z. T. Merritt, E. : Grand Captain of the Host.
 William S. Jordan, E. : Grand Principal Sojourner.
 F. W. Armstrong, E. : Grand Royal Arch Captain.
 Warren F. Scott, E. : Grand Master Third Vail.
 Melville W. Carruth, E. : Grand Master Second Vail.
 T. Picton Warlow, E. : Grand Master First Vail.

The Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Grand Chaplain having been re-elected and the Grand Guard re-appointed, their installation was not necessary at this time.

The Grand Secretary announced that the charter for St. Augustine Chapter No. 17 had been prepared and was ready for delivery.

The motion of Companion Massey prevailed that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to meet with Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 at 7:30 p. m., to witness the exemplification of the work in the Royal Arch degree by the Committee on Work.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 7:30 P. M.

The Grand Chapter visited Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 and witnessed the exemplification of the work in the Royal Arch degree by the Committee on Work, after which it resumed labor.

Grand Chap. 3.

The minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

The special Committee on General Grand Chapter made the following report:

COMMITTEE ON GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee appointed to consider the advisability of inviting the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States to hold their next Triennial Convocation in this Grand Jurisdiction, beg leave to report that after a careful consideration of the matter would recommend that a cordial invitation be extended to the General Grand Chapter through its Council Officers to hold their coming Triennial Convocation in Jacksonville, Fla., at such time as they may elect.

We believe that the meeting of this august body in this Grand Jurisdiction would redound greatly to the benefit of the Royal Craft in Florida, and to the general welfare of our State. We have assurances from the Board of Trade of Jacksonville, that they would join heartily with us in entertaining the distinguished visiting Companions.

We believe that the approval of the Grand Chapter we would respectfully recommend the appointment of a committee of arrangements to extend the invitation and to take charge of the reception and entertainment.

Fraternally submitted,

T. G. HUTCHINSON,
J. H. NORTON,
WARREN TYLER,
SILAS B. WRIGHT,
JAMES CARNELL,
Committee.

The report was received and unanimously adopted, the same committee as above being named to extend the invitation, &c.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts made the following supplemental report, which was received and adopted:

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS (SUPPLEMENTAL.)

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:
Your Finance Committee beg leave to present this supplemental report:

We recommend that if the General Grand Chapter shall hold its next triennial Convocation in Jacksonville during this year, the appropriations for jewels for the Past Grand High Priests be postponed and the appropriation for the expenses of the representative of this Grand Chapter in attending the Convocation of the General Grand Chapter be rescinded. We further recommend that in case the Convocation of the General Grand Chapter be held in Jacksonville during 1903 that the sum of \$250.00 be appropriated toward defraying the expenses of the said Convocation of the General Grand Chapter and for entertaining the visiting Companions.

We further recommend that the funds of this Grand Chapter be deposited in some bank in the city of Jacksonville in the name of "The Grand Chapter, R. A. M., of Florida by _____ Grand Treasurer."

Fraternally submitted,

SILAS B. WRIGHT,
J. R. KELLER,
JOHN H. NORTON,
Committee.

The Chairman of the Committee on Work made a motion in regard to the ritual which was adopted.

Past Grand High Priest Tyler offered the following resolution, which was received and adopted:

Resolved, That the retiring High Priest of each Chapter which elects to retain the General Grand Chapter rituals, shall immediately, upon installation of his successor, surrender to him both copies of said rituals, taking duplicate receipts for the same, one of which to be retained by him and the other forwarded to the Grand Secretary with the annual returns by the Secretary of each Chapter, and the annual returns of any Chapter shall not be considered as complete until such receipt has been filed with the Grand Secretary or a satisfactory excuse rendered for failure to do so; provided that in the event of no change being made in the office of High Priest during the year, a new receipt shall not be required.

The following regulation was proposed by Companion Massey and adopted:

When the funds of a subordinate Chapter are deposited by the Treasurer in a bank, the account must always stand in the name of _____ Royal Arch Chapter No. _____ Treasurer, and not in the name of the Treasurer, either officially or individually.

The M. E. Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Work—Warren Tyler, Marcus Endel, John H. Norton, Silas B. Wright, James Carnell, Olin S. Wright, John R. Wetherell.

Correspondence—W. P. Webster, William H. Jewell, Irving E. Webster.

Printing—W. P. Webster, John H. Norton, Marcus Endel.

Upon motion of Past Grand High Priest Carnell the thanks of the Grand Chapter were extended to Jacksonville Chapter for use of rooms, etc.

No further business appearing the forgoing minutes were read and adopted and the Grand Chapter was closed in ample form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

ATTEST:

THOS. G. HUTCHINSON,
Grand High Priest.

W. P. Webster

Grand Secretary.




TO THE MEMORY OF COMPANIONS

OF


OUR JURISDICTION,

Who Passed away During the Year 1902, This Page is
Fraternally Dedicated.

WM. C. JACKSONGainesville, No. 2, January 31
ROBERT LEE ROBB.Gainesville No. 2, November 29
WILLIAM IRWIN,Tampa No. 3, March 1
MONROE D. CUSHING,Tampa No. 3, July 16
H. S. SAWYERTampa No. 3, November 5
ANDREW ANDERSON, ..Mount Horeb No. 6, January 18
C. N. HIGGINS,Mount Horeb No. 6, June 1
M. HOWELL WARINGMadison No. 8, June 27
JOSEPH TOWNSEND,Madison No. 8, December 4
ROBERT BARNES,Putnam No. 9, December 6
J. E. HANNAJasper No. 10, August 13
JOHN THORNTONJericho No. 11, March —
J. R. RICHARD,Lake Butler No. 19, August 19
A. CROSBYLake Butler No. 19, September —
D. A. REAVES,Lake Butler No. 19, November 5
HENRY R. MELTON,Providence No. 20, June 1
DANIEL WARWICK STANLEY ..Thomas Brown No. 22,
November 15


IN MEMORY
 OF THE
DISTINGUISHED DEAD
 OF
Other Grand Jurisdictions

WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED TO THE
 CELESTIAL CHAPTER ON HIGH
 DURING THE YEAR 1902.



STATISTICS.

CHAPTER.	Number.	Members Last Year.	Exalted.	Affiliated.	Reinstated.	Total	Deaths	Dimitted.	Suspended	Expelled	Present Membership
Florida.....	1	52	3	.....	.....	41	.....	.....	.....	.....	33
Gainesville,	2	60	5	.....	.....	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	63
Tampa,	3	72	6	.....	.....	84	.....	.....	.....	.....	70
St. Johns,	4	37	.....	1	.....	28	.....	.....	10	.....	26
Halifax,	5	61	13	3	1	78	.....	.....	.....	.....	76
Mount Horeb,	6	53	9	1	1	64	.....	.....	.....	.....	60
Eureka,	7	30	12	.....	.....	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	41
Madison,	8	26	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	23
Putnam,	9	37	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	34
Jasper,	10	22	.....	2	.....	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	25
Jericho,	11	40	.....	.....	.....	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	46
Jacksonville,	12	86	18	4	2	110	.....	.....	.....	.....	106
Inverness,	14	23	.....	.....	.....	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	29
Monroe,	15	37	.....	1	1	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	32
Plant City,	16	51	.....	.....	1	57	.....	.....	.....	.....	56
St. Augustine,	17	.....	23	12	.....	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	31
Lake Butler,	19	54	.....	.....	.....	57	.....	.....	.....	.....	52
Providence,	20	31	.....	.....	.....	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
Island,	21	29	.....	.....	.....	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	30
Thomas Brown,	22	29	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	26
Nassau,	23	9	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	27
Totals, .....	.....	824	132	26	7	989	17	30	20	.....	922

DIRECTORY OF CHAPTERS.

CHAPTER.	LOCATION.	TIME OF MEETING.
Florida,	1|Tallahassee,	Second and Fourth Monday
Gainesville,	2|Gainesville,	Fourth Monday.
Tampa,	3|Tampa,	First and Third Thursday.
St. Johns,	4|DeLand,	Third Tuesday.
Halifax,	5|Daytona,	Second Thursday.
Mt. Horeb,	6|Pensacola,	Second Monday.
Eureka,	7|Orlando,	First and Third Tuesday.
Madison,	8|Madison,	First and Third Monday.
Putnam,	9|Palatka,	Second and Fourth Monday.
Jasper,	10|Jasper,	First Thursday
Jericho,	11|Miami,	Second and Fourth Tuesday.
Jacksonville,	12|Jacksonville,	Fourth Thursday.
Inverness,	14|Inverness,	Third Monday.
Monroe,	15|Sanford,	Second and Fourth Tuesday.
Plant City,	16|Plant City,	First Friday.
St. Augustine,	17|St. Augustine,	Fourth Tuesday.
Lake Butler,	19|Lake Butler,	First Thursday.
Providence,	20|Lake City,	Third Friday.
Island,	21|Key West,	Second and Fourth Wed.
Thomas Brown,	22|Bartow,	Second Friday.
Nassau,	23|Fernandina,	Second Tuesday

GRAND SECRETARIES.

STATE	NAME	ADDRESS.
General Grand Chapter.....	Christopher G. Fox ..	Buffalo, N. Y.
Alabama,	Geo. A. Beauchamp ..	Montgomery.
Arizona,	George J. Roskrug.....	Tucson.
Arkansas,	John C. Bone	Batesville.
California,	William A. Davies	San Francisco.
Canada,	George J. Bennett	Toronto.
Colorado,	William D. Todd	Denver.
Connecticut,	James McCormick.....	Hartford.
Delaware,	James H. Price	Wilmington.
District of Columbia,	A. W. Johnston	Washington.
England,	Edward Letchworth.....	London.
Georgia,	W. A. Wolihin	Macon.
Illinois,	Gil. W. Barnard.....	Chicago.
Indiana,	Calvin W. Prather	Indianapolis.
Iowa,	Alf. Wingate	Des Moines.
Indian Territory.....	J. S. Murrow	Atoka.
Kansas,	Wm. M. Shaver	Topeka.
Kentucky,	H. B. Grant	Louisville.
Louisiana,	Richard Lambert.....	New Orleans.
Maine,	Stephen Berry	Portland.
Maryland,	John H. Miller.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts,	J. Gilman Waite.....	Boston.
Michigan,	Chas. A. Conover	Coldwater.
Minnesota,	Thos. Montgomery	St. Paul.
Mississippi,	Frederic Speed	Vicksburg.
Missouri,	William H. Mayo	St. Louis.
Montana,	Cornelius Hedges	Helena.
Nebraska,	Francis E. White	Omaha.
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New Hampshire,	Frank D. Woodbury ..	Concord.
New Jersey,	Charles Belcher	Newark.
New Mexico,	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque.
New South Wales,	Alfred J. Burbidge	Sydney.
New York,	Christopher G. Fox	Buffalo.
New Zealand,	H. L. Williams	Waterloo.
North Carolina,	James C. Munds	Wilmington.
North Dakota,	Frank J. Thompson	Fargo.
Nova Scotia,	D. H. Campbell	Halifax.
Ohio,	Edwin Hagenbuch	Urbana.
Oregon,	James F. Robinson.....	Eugene.
Pennsylvania,	Charles Cary	Philadelphia.
Quebec,	Will H. Whyte	Montreal.
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Scotland,	Robert S. Brown	Edinburgh.
South Carolina.....	John T. Barron	Columbia.
South Dakota,	Geo. A. Petigrew	Flandreau.
Tennessee,	W. A. Clendening	Nashville.
Texas,	John A. Bryan	Cleburne.
Vermont,	H. H. Ross.....	Burlington.
Victoria,	John Braim	Melbourne.
Virginia,	James B. Blanks.....	Petersburg.
West Virginia,	R. C. Dunnington	Fairmont.
Washington,	Yancy C. Blalock.....	Walla Walla.
Wisconsin,	William W. Perry	Milwaukee.

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Jacksonville	11 S. L. Patterson	H. Price Williams	James D. Gittman	C. H. Bradley	A. E. Heyster	Miami.
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Providence	20 J. O. Harris	J. W. Perry	James H. Watson	Warren Howell	James W. Boyd	Harrow.
Island	21 Jeremiah Fogarty	J. W. V. R. Blummer	James H. Watson	J. W. Howell	Warfield	Fernandina.
Thomas Brown	22 Thomas W. Garry	Hugh W. Wear	F. W. Hoyt			
Nassau	23 Warren F. Scott	James McElhin				

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FROM ITS ORGANIZATION TO DATE.**

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1847 Thos. Douglas*....	John P. DuVal*....	Harry R. Taylor*....	Geo. W. Macrae*....	Edwin D. Nash*....	John B. Taylor*....	Edwin L. T. Blake*.
1848 John P. DuVal*....	Isaac H. Bronson*....	Geo. W. Macrae*....	D. S. Graham*....	Thomas Brown*....	John B. Taylor*....	Edwin L. T. Blake*.
1849 Isaac H. Bronson*....	Harry R. Taylor*....	D. S. Graham*....	R. A. Shine*....	Thomas Hayward*....	John B. Taylor*....	Charles E. Dyke*.
1850 Harry R. Taylor*....	D. S. Graham*....	R. A. Shine*....	Gad Humphreys*....	David C. Wilson*....	John B. Taylor*....	Edwin L. T. Blake*.
1851 Thomas Brown*....	Gad Humphreys*....	Alfred A. Fisher*....	Benj. Sawyer*....	David C. Wilson*....	John B. Taylor*....	Geo. M. McDonald*.
1852 R. A. Shine*....	Samuel B. Stephens*....	Samuel Boardman*....	D. G. McLean*....	David C. Wilson*....	John B. Taylor*....	Charles E. Dyke*.
1853 Samuel Boardman*....	J. M. W. Davidson*....	C. A. M. Mitchell*....	James S. Rust*....	David C. Wilson*....	John B. Taylor*....	E. G. Asay.
1854 J. Wayles Baker*....	Thomas Y. Henry*....	James Ellenwood*....	John L. McKinnon*....	David C. Wilson*....	John B. Taylor*....	Homer Hendee.
1855 J. Wayles Baker*....	Edward R. Ives*....	Joseph S. May*....	Thomas Hayward*....	John B. Taylor*....	Homer Hendee.
1856 Thomas Hayward*....	Edward R. Ives*....	John L. McKinnon*....	James Ellenwood*....	R. A. Shine*....	John B. Taylor*....	Charles E. Dyke*.
1857 Gad Humphreys*....	James Ellenwood*....	John L. McKinnon*....	David S. Walker*....	Thomas Hayward*....	John B. Taylor*....	J. R. Plummer.
1858 Thomas Hayward*....	James Ellenwood*....	D. P. Holland*....	Charles E. Dyke*....	John S. Bond*....	John B. Taylor*....	John Penny*.
1859 D. P. Holland*....	Geo. F. Baltzell*....	Calvin Davis*....	Thomas Hayward*....	John B. Taylor*....	John Penny*.
1860 Thomas Y. Henry*....	Geo. F. Baltzell*....	Geo. D. Fisher*....	Josiah Payne*....	Thomas Hayward*....	John B. Taylor*....	John Penny*.
1861 Geo. F. Baltzell*....	James Ellenwood*....	Franklin Branch*....	Charles Slager*....	Thomas Hayward*....	John B. Taylor*....	Edwin L. T. Blake*.
1862 Geo. F. Baltzell*....	James Ellenwood*....	Charles Slager*....	D. C. Dawkins*....	Thomas Hayward*....	John B. Taylor*....	John Penny*.
1863 Geo. F. Baltzell*....	James Ellenwood*....	Green H. Hunter*....	Wm. H. Arendell*....	Thomas Hayward*....	Hugh A. Corley*....	Thos. A. Carruth*.
1864 Geo. F. Baltzell*....	James Ellenwood*....	Thos. K. Leonard*....	Wm. H. Arendell*....	Thomas Hayward*....	Hugh A. Corley*....	Columbus Smith*.
1865 David Jones*....	D. C. Dawkins*....	B. S. Fuller*....	Elias Earle*....	T. Preston Tatum*....	Hugh A. Corley*....	Columbus Smith*.
1866 David Jones*....	D. C. Dawkins*....	Elias Earle*....	A. J. Lea*....	T. Preston Tatum*....	Hugh A. Corley*....	Columbus Smith*.
1867 David Jones*....	Wm. Morrill*....	Charles Slager*....	Chas. K. Sparhawk*....	T. Preston Tatum*....	Hugh A. Corley*....	Samuel C. Craft.
1868 James Ellenwood*....	Wm. Morrill*....	Charles Slager*....	M.M.T. Hutchingson*....	T. Preston Tatum*....	Hugh A. Corley*....	Wm. A. McLean*.
1869 D. C. Dawkins*....	M.M.T. Hutchingson*....	H. H. Berry*....	Michael Bowes*....	T. Preston Tatum*....	Edw. Bradford, Jr.*....	Thos. A. Carruth*.
1870 D. C. Dawkins*....	Chas. Slager*....	Charles Munde*....	Samuel Pasco*....	T. Preston Tatum*....	Edw. Bradford, Jr.*....	Thos. A. Carruth*.
1871 D. C. Dawkins*....	James Ellenwood*....	Wm. Morrill*....	Theodore Ball*....	T. Preston Tatum*....	W. M. McIntosh*....	Edwin L. T. Blake*.
1872 Wm. Morrill*....	Hugh A. Corley*....	John C. Ley*....	James L. Taylor*....	T. Preston Tatum*....	W. M. McIntosh*....	Thos. A. Carruth*.
1873 Michael Bowes*....	Samuel Pasco*....	John S. Driggs*....	Benj. G. Alderman*....	D. L. Oakley*....	DeW. C. Dawkins*....	John Penny*.
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1875 Henry W. Long*....	Edmund P. Jordan*....	Wm. T. Weeks*....	W. W. Tucker*....	D. L. Oakley*....	DeW. C. Dawkins*....	John Penny*.
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1888 Marcus Endel*....	Fred S. Goodrich*....	Wm. M. McIntosh*....	Chas. H. Munger*....	T. S. Wilmarth*....	DeW. C. Dawkins*....	Wm. A. McLean*.
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1895 John H. Stephens*....	Wm. H. Jewell*....	Warren Tyler*....	Wilber P. Webster*....	Irving E. Webster*....	W. A. McLean*....	Wm. M. McIntosh.
1896 Wm. H. Jewell*....	Warren Tyler*....	W. P. Webster*....	Olin S. Wright*....	Irving E. Webster*....	W. A. McLean*....	Wm. M. McIntosh.
1897 Warren Tyler*....	W. P. Webster*....	James Carnell*....	E. E. Haskell*....	Irving E. Webster*....	W. A. McLean*....	Wm. M. McIntosh.
1898 Wilber P. Webster*....	James Carnell*....	E. E. Haskell*....	A. M. Cushman*....	Marcus Endel*....	W. A. McLean*....	Wm. M. McIntosh.
1899 James Carnell*....	E. E. Haskell*....	A. M. Cushman*....	J. R. Wetherell*....	Marcus Endel*....	T. G. Hutchinson*....	Wm. M. McIntosh.
1900 E. E. Haskell*....	A. M. Cushman*....	J. R. Wetherell*....	T. G. Hutchinson*....	Marcus Endel*....	W. P. Webster*....	Wm. M. McIntosh.
1901 A. M. Cushman*....	J. R. Wetherell*....	T. G. Hutchinson*....	Louis C. Massey*....	Marcus Endel*....	W. P. Webster*....	Wm. M. McIntosh.
1902 J. R. Wetherell*....	T. G. Hutchinson*....	Louis C. Massey*....	Olin S. Wright*....	Marcus Endel*....	W. P. Webster*....	Irving E. Webster.

*Deceased.

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Elmer Crockett, South Bend.....	Indiana.....	
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Regulations.

Regulations adopted May, 1903.

RITUALS.

The retiring High Priest of each Chapter which elects to retain the General Grand Chapter rituals, shall immediately, upon installation of his successor, surrender to him both copies of said rituals, taking duplicate receipts for the same, one of which to be retained by him and the other forwarded to the Grand Secretary with the annual returns by the Secretary of each Chapter, and the annual returns of any Chapter shall not be considered as complete until such receipt has been filed with the Grand Secretary or a satisfactory excuse rendered for failure to do so; provided, that in the event of no change being made in the office of High Priest during the year, a new receipt shall not be required.

CHAPTER FUNDS.

When the funds of a subordinate Chapter are deposited by the Treasurer in a bank, the account must always stand in the name of _____ Royal Arch Chapter, No. —, _____ Treasurer, and not in the name of the Treasurer, either officially or individually.

Proposed Charter Amendments.

The following proposed amendments to the Constitution having been sanctioned, were ordered to lie over till the next Annual Convocation for final action.

INSTALLATION.

Article I, Section 9.—The installation of the officers of this Grand Chapter shall take place during the Annual Grand Convocation at which they are elected or appointed. *Provided*, that any such officers who cannot be present at the regular time for installation, may be installed in such Chapter or Chapters as the Grand Chapter may designate and in such case the Secretary of the Chapter in which such installations shall take place shall forthwith certify the fact to the Grand Secretary.

PRESIDING OFFICER.

Article II, Section 38.—The High Priest shall preside at the several Convocations of the Chapter, and, in case of his absence or inability to act, his powers and prerogatives shall vest in the King and Scribe in succession. In the absence of all these officers from a Stated or Special Convocation, regularly called, the junior Past High Priest present may open the Chapter and preside.

Order of High Priesthood.

Special Convocation.

M. .E. .: Angus Paterson, President of the Grand Council of Florida, called a Special Convocation of the Grand Council at Live Oak, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1902, for the purpose of conferring the Order of High Priesthood upon Companion Franklin L. Rees, Past High Priest of Live Oak Chapter No. 11.

A sufficient number of Anointed High Priests being present to form a Convention and the said Franklin L. Rees being found eligible, he was consecrated and anointed a High Priest in due and ancient form.

The Council was closed in due form.

W. P. WEBSTER, Secretary.

Special Convocation.

A Special Convocation of the Grand Council of Florida was called by the President, M. .E. .: Angus Paterson, at Madison, on January 7, A. D. 1903, for the purpose of conferring the Order of High Priesthood upon Companion Mordecai G. Buck, High Priest of Madison Chapter No. 8.

A sufficient number of Anointed High Priests being present to form a Convention and Companion Buck being found eligible, he was consecrated and anointed a High Priest in due and ancient form.

The Council was closed in due form.

W. P. WEBSTER, Secretary.

ANNUAL CONVOCATION.

The Annual Convocation of the Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood was held in Masonic Temple, Jacksonville, Wednesday, May 13, A. D. 1903, at 3 o'clock p. m., the following officers being present:

- M. .E. .: ANGUS PATERSON President
M. .E. .: JAMES W. BOYD Vice President
M. .E. .: LOUIS C. MASSEY, as Chaplain
M. .E. .: WARREN TYLER Treasurer
M. .E. .: WILBER P. WEBSTER, Secretary.
M. .E. .: SILAS B. WRIGHT Conductor
M. .E. .: ALONZO M. CUSHMAN, as Master of Ceremonies Herald
M. .E. .: JAMES CARNELL, as Steward
M. .E. .: JOHN R. WETHERELL as Steward
M. .E. .: JAMES F. CLARK, Guard

The Grand Council was opened in ample form. The minutes of the two Special Convocations were read and adopted.

The Secretary made the following report, which was received and ordered printed:

W. P. Webster, Secretary, in account with the Grand Council of Florida:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'To Bibles sold' (\$5.50) and 'To fees collected' (\$18.00) totaling \$23.50.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'Feb. 17, 1903.—By paid Treasurer' (\$9.50) and 'May 13, 1903.—By paid Treasurer' (\$14.00) totaling \$23.50.

The Treasurer made the following report, which was received and ordered printed: Warren Tyler, Treasurer, in account with the Grand Council of Florida:

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'May 14, 1902—To balance cash on hand' (\$26.27) and 'May 13, 1903—To cash from Secretary' (14.00) totaling \$49.77.

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes 'May 14, 1902—By paid Jas. F. Clark, Guard' (\$2.50) and 'May 13, 1903—By balance on hand' (42.02) totaling \$49.77.

Upon motion the Secretary was directed to purchase 24 Bibles containing certificates for members.

Applications for the Order were received from the following Companions:

- Hugh W. Wear, High Priest, Thomas Brown Chapter, No. 22.
George H. Clark, High Priest, Halifax Chapter No. 5.
James O. Harris, High Priest, Providence Chapter No. 20.
Melville W. Carruth, High Priest, Tampa Chapter No. 3.
Victor F. Balkcom, High Priest, Florida Chapter No. 1.
Louis Harrison, P. High Priest, Providence Chapter No. 20.
John MacDiarmid, High Priest, St. Johns Chapter No. 4.

These Companions being found eligible, their applications were received and ballot spread, which being clear the M. .E. . President declared them elected to receive the

Order. All candidates being in waiting they were introduced, anointed and consecrated in due and ancient form.

The Grand Council proceeded with the annual election of officers with the following result:

- M. :E. : Angus Paterson, re-elected President.
 M. :E. : James W. Boyd, re-elected Vice-President.
 M. :E. : Irving E. Webster, re-elected Chaplain.
 M. :E. : Warren Tyler, re-elected Treasurer.
 M. :E. : Wilber P. Webster, re-elected Secretary.
 M. :E. : Silas B. Wright, re-elected Conductor.
 M. :E. : Alonzo M. Cushman, elected Master of Ceremonies.

- M. :E. : James Carnell, re-elected Herald.
 M. :E. : John R. Wetherell, elected Steward.
 M. :E. : James F. Clark, re-elected Guard.

Upon motion the Treasurer was authorized to pay the Guard the sum of \$2.50 and also to pay whatever may be necessary for printing the proceedings.

No further business appearing the foregoing minutes were read and adopted. The Grand Council was closed in ample form.

ATTEST:

W. P. WEBSTER, Secretary.

ANGUS PATERSON
 President.

Register of Membership.

NAME.	DATE.
DeWitt C. Dawkins*	Consecrated January 12, 1865
John F. Benezet,	Consecrated January 12, 1865
David S. Walker*	Consecrated January 12, 1865
Angus Paterson	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Henry W. Long,	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William A. McLean*	Consecrated January 19, 1888
D. Warwick Stanley*	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Charles H. Munger	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Fred S. Goodrich,	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William A. Griffith	Consecrated January 19, 1888
James F. Clark	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William M. Somerville	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Marcus Endel,	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William W. Tucker*	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William E. Anderson	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Wm. M. McIntosh, Sr.	Consecrated January 19, 1888
George S. Hallmark	Affiliated January 19, 1888
James W. Boyd	Affiliated January 19, 1888
Samuel Pasco	Consecrated January 16, 1889
Julius Stark*	Consecrated January 16, 1889
Herman Glogowski	Consecrated January 18, 1889
Robert McClellan	Consecrated January 18, 1889
J. W. V. R. Plummer	Consecrated January 18, 1889
John H. Stephens,	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Thomas S. Wilmarth	Consecrated May 7, 1890
R. Alfred Montsalvatge*	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Frank P. Mersereau	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Silas B. Wright	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Samuel A. Wauchope	Affiliated May 7, 1890

*Dead.

Irving E. Webster.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1891
Edgar A. Richards.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1891
Warren Tyler.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1891
William H. Jewell.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1892
William S. Jordan.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1892
John D. Sinclair.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1892
Elijah H. Bunker.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1892
Charles J. Hayes.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1892
Dougald McLachlan.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1892
James H. Whitfield*	Consecrated	May	12,	1892
Alonzo M. Cushman.....	Consecrated	Nov.	12,	1892
Olin S. Wright.....	Consecrated	May	10,	1893
Alexander C. Martin.....	Consecrated	May	10,	1893
Bingham H. Chadwick.....	Consecrated	May	10,	1894
Nathaniel T. Elliott*	Consecrated	January	18,	1894
Wilber P. Webster.....	Consecrated	January	18,	1894
Everard F. Barnes.....	Consecrated	January	18,	1894
Milton A. Fuller.....	Affiliated	January	18,	1894
Thomas J. Smith.....	Consecrated	March	5,	1894
Syd. L. Carter.....	Consecrated	March	16,	1894
William K. Bartleson.....	Consecrated	March	16,	1894
Henry J. Stewart*.....	Consecrated	May	9,	1894
William M. Dunn.....	Consecrated	May	9,	1895
James E. Pound.....	Consecrated	January	7,	1895
Joseph Townsend.....	Consecrated	January	7,	1895
Lowell C. Ruter.....	Consecrated	January	7,	1895
Joseph F. Tolbert.....	Consecrated	January	15,	1895
James Harden.....	Consecrated	January	15,	1895
Andrew E. Gleason.....	Consecrated	January	15,	1895
George W. Hyde.....	Consecrated	January	18,	1895
Henry F. Airth.....	Consecrated	January	24,	1896
William P. Anderson*.....	Consecrated	January	24,	1896
Enos Wasgate.....	Affiliated	January	24,	1896
James Carnell.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1896
Monroe D. Cushing*.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1896
Henry Payne.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1896

*Dead

Irving E. Baird.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1896
John R. Wetherell.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1896
Charles R. Oglesby.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1896
John N. Bradshaw.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1896
Eugene P. Mickel.....	Consecrated	Dec.	27,	1896
Louis C. Massey.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1897
Roque V. Rogero.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1897
John E. Hanna*.....	Consecrated	May	11,	1897
Elmer E. Haskell.....	Consecrated	May,	12,	1897
Wm. E. Ballough.....	Consecrated	May,	12,	1897
Geo. P. Ballough.....	Consecrated	May,	12,	1897
Charles E. Waite.....	Consecrated	May,	12,	1897
Thomas G. Hutchinson..	Consecrated	January	21,	1898
Ludwig W. Buchholz...	Consecrated	January	21,	1898
William H. Hausman...	Consecrated	May	9,	1898
Abraham H. West.....	Consecrated	Dec.	27,	1898
John T. Miller.....	Consecrated	January	19,	1899
H. V. R. Schrader.....	Consecrated	May	10,	1899
Charles L. Smith.....	Consecrated	May	10,	1899
Joseph G. Torrey.....	Consecrated	May	10,	1899
William H. Cyrus.....	Consecrated	May	10,	1899
T. P. Warlow.....	Consecrated	January	19,	1900
Henry N. Sweeting.....	Consecrated	May,	9,	1900
Arthur H. Carter.....	Consecrated	May,	9,	1900
L. F. Frink*.....	Consecrated	January	17,	1901
W. W. Faris.....	Consecrated	January	17,	1901
Joseph R. Keller.....	Consecrated	May	15,	1901
Thomas West Gary.....	Consecrated	May	15,	1901
Frank W. Armstrong...	Consecrated	May	15,	1901
Warren F. Scott.....	Consecrated	May	15,	1901
John M. Young.....	Affiliated	May	15,	1901
Bascom H. Palmer.....	Consecrated	Oct.	23,	1901
William S. Ware.....	Consecrated	January	23,	1902
John H. Norton.....	Consecrated	January	23,	1902
Z. T. Merritt.....	Consecrated	January	23,	1902
James M. Chesser.....	Consecrated	January	23,	1902
Orson J. Hill.....	Consecrated	May	14,	1902

*Dead.

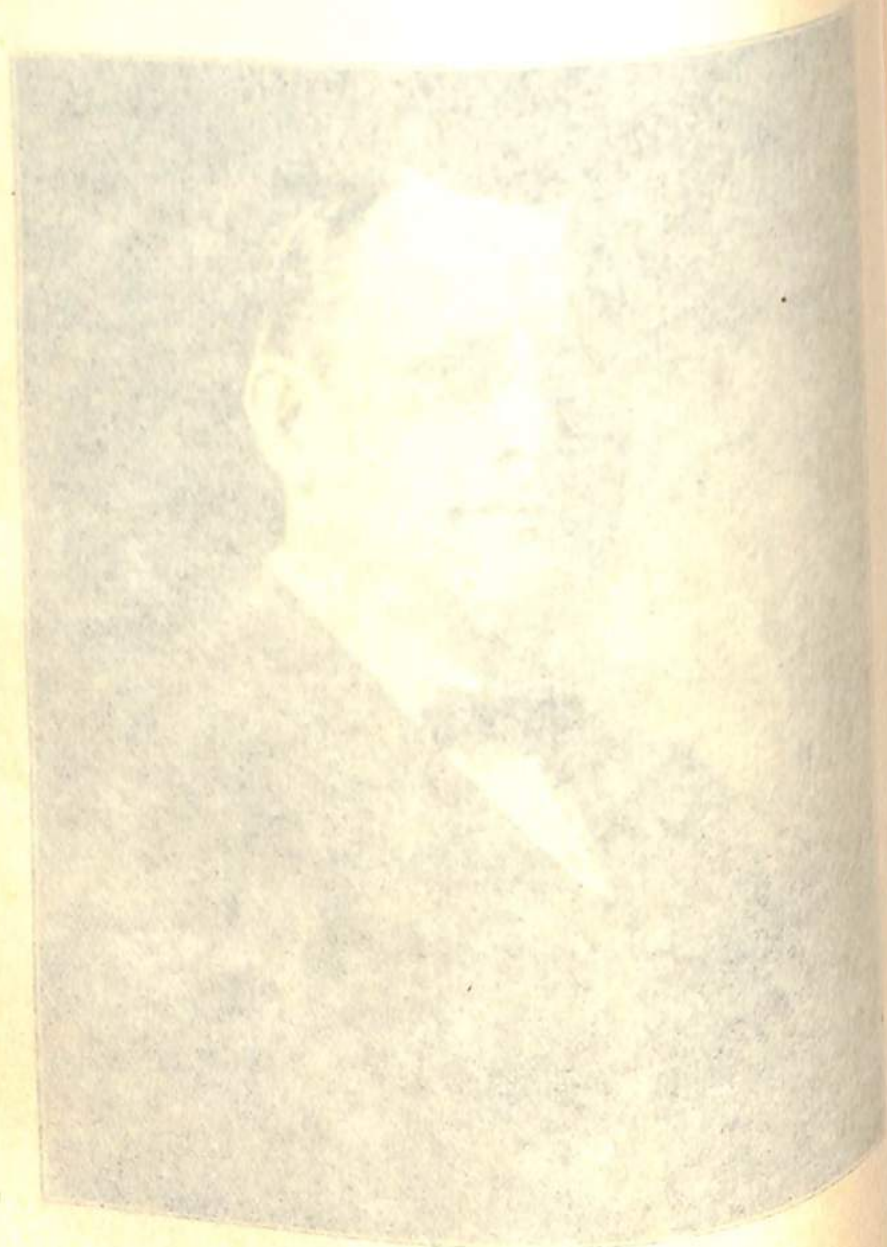
Benjamin F. Hough.....	Consecrated	May	14,	1902
James F. Miller.....	Consecrated	May	14,	1902
Franklin L. Rees.....	Consecrated	June	24,	1902
Mordecai G. Buck.....	Consecrated	January	7,	1903
Hugh W. Wear.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1903
George H. Clark.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1903
James O. Harris.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1903
Melville W. Carruth....	Consecrated	May	13,	1903
Victor F. Balkcom.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1903
Louis Harrison.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1903
John MacDiarmid.....	Consecrated	May	13,	1903

*Dead.



THOMAS G. HUTCHINSON
Grand High Priest 1903





THOMAS G. HERDERSON
Grand High Priest 1913



GEORGE S. HALLMARK
Grand High Priest 1883

PROCEEDINGS
OF
Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons
OF THE
STATE OF FLORIDA.

Fifty-Eighth Annual Convocation,

Held in the City of Jacksonville

May 17, 18, A. D. 1904, A. I. 2434.

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GRAND OFFICERS
OF THE
M.:E.: Grand Chapter of Florida
FOR
A. I. 2434, A. D. 1904,

- M.:E.: LOUIS C. MASSEY, Grand High Priest, Orlando.
- R.:E.: OLIN S. WRIGHT, Deputy Grand High Priest, Plant City.
- R.:E.: JOSEPH R. KELLER, Grand King, Pensacola.
- R.:E.: WILLIAM S. WARE, Grand Scribe, Jacksonville.
- R.:E.: MARCUS ENDEL, Grand Treasurer, Gainesville.
- R.:E.: WILBER P. WEBSTER, Grand Secretary, Jacksonville.
- R.:R.: JOHN H. WEDDELL, Grand Chaplain, Thonotsassa.
- E.: Z. T. MERRITT, Grand Captain of the Host, Buena Vista.
- E.: F. W. ARMSTRONG, Grand Principal Sojourner, Tallahassee.
- E.: WARREN F. SCOTT, Grand Royal Arch Captain, Jacksonville.
- E.: T. PICTON WARLOW, Grand Master Third Vail, Orlando.
- E.: J. E. TERWILLEGER, Grand Master Second Vail, Sanford.
- E.: JOHN MACDIARMID, Grand Master First Vail, DeLand.
- E.: JAMES F. CLARK, Grand Guard, Jacksonville.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
M.:E.: Grand Chapter of Florida.

The Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida, assembled in its Fifty-eighth Annual Convocation in Masonic Temple, in the city of Jacksonville, on Tuesday, May 17, A. D. 1904, A. I. 2434.

The roll being called, there were found to be present the following:

GRAND OFFICERS.

- THOS. G. HUTCHINSON . . . M.:E.: Grand High Priest.
- LOUIS C. MASSEY . . . R.:E.: Dep. G. H. Priest.
- OLIN S. WRIGHT . . . R.:E.: Grand King.
- JOSEPH R. KELLER . . . R.:E.: Grand Scribe.
- MARCUS ENDEL . . . R.:E.: Grand Treasurer.
- WILBER P. WEBSTER . . . R.:E.: Grand Secretary.
- IRVING E. WEBSTER . . . R.:R.: Grand Chaplain.
- Z. T. MERRITT . . . E.: G. Captain of the Host.
- JOHN H. NORTON . . . as E.: G. Principal Sojourner.
- F. W. ARMSTRONG . . . E.: G. Royal Arch Captain.
- WARREN F. SCOTT . . . E.: G. Master Third Vail.
- J. E. TERWILLEGER . . . as E.: G. Master Second Vail.
- T. PICTON WARLOW . . . E.: G. Master First Vail.
- JAMES F. CLARK . . . E.: Grand Guard.

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.

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| GEO. S. HALLMARK. | ANGUS PATERSON. |
| MARCUS ENDEL. | JAMES W. BOYD. |
| IRVING E. WEBSTER. | SILAS B. WRIGHT. |
| WILLIAM H. JEWELL. | WILBER P. WEBSTER. |
| JAMES CARNELL. | ELMER E. HASKELL. |
| ALONZO M. CUSHMAN. | JOHN R. WETHERELL. |

PAST DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

WARREN F. SCOTT.

PAST HIGH PRIESTS.

OTIS L. KEENE Jacksonville Chapter No. 12.
WILLIAM S. WARE Jacksonville Chapter No. 12.

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS.

Florida, No. 1.—H. N. Sweeting, proxy for H. P.
Gainesville, No. 2.—Robert McClellan, proxy for H. P.
Tampa, No. 3.—John C. White, proxy for H. P.
St. Johns, No. 4.—John MacDiarmid, H. P.
Halifax, No. 5.—DeWitt D. Beekman, H. P.
Mt. Horeb, No. 6.—Joseph R. Keller, proxy for H. P.
Eureka, No. 7.—L. A. Spencer, H. P.
Madison, No. 8.—Mordecai G. Buck, H. P.
Jacksonville, No. 12.—C. S. Hammatt, H. P.; Thomas Hilditch, K.; R. D. Grether, S.
Inverness, No. 14.—George W. DeMuro, H. P.
Monroe, No. 15.—J. E. Terwilleger, K.
Plant City, No. 16.—John H. Weddell, H. P.
St. Augustine, No. 17.—Henry W. Davis, H. P.
Lake Butler, No. 19.—J. J. Jones, H. P.
Nassau, No. 23.—Carl Warfield, proxy for K.
Live Oak, No. 25.—H. F. Airth, H. P.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN FLORIDA.

Alabama Geo. S. Hallmark.
Arizona Thos. G. Hutchinson.
California William S. Ware.
Canada Z. T. Merritt.
Colorado John R. Wetherell.
Delaware Wilber P. Webster.
District of Columbia Silas B. Wright.
Georgia John H. Norton.
Illinois J. H. Norton.
Indian Territory Olin S. Wright.

Iowa Silas B. Wright.
Kansas Olin S. Wright.
Kentucky James W. Boyd.
Louisiana John R. Wetherell.
Maine Elmer E. Haskell.
Maryland James Carnell.
Massachusetts Irving E. Webster.
Minnesota Alonzo M. Cushman.
Missouri James W. Boyd.
Nevada John J. Jones.
Nebraska Robert McClellan.
New Jersey Warren F. Scott.
New Mexico James Carnell.
New York Marcus Endel.
North Carolina Irving E. Webster.
North Dakota Marcus Endel.
Oregon Harry N. Sweeting.
Pennsylvania Louis C. Massey.
Quebec John N. Bradshaw.
Rhode Island B. H. Chadwick.
Scotland Geo. S. Hallmark.
South Dakota William H. Jewell.
Tennessee Geo. S. Hallmark.
Texas Angus Paterson.
Virginia Joseph R. Keller.
Washington Silas B. Wright.

A constitutional number of Grand Officers and Representatives of Constituent Chapters being present, the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample form by the Grand High Priest, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The M. . . E. . . Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following

Committee on Returns and Credentials.—James E. Terwilleger, J. H. Weddell, H. W. Davis.

Upon motion of Past Grand High Priest Cushman, the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Convocation was dispensed with, they having been printed and distributed, and they were adopted as printed.

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

Silas B. Wright, A. M. Cushman, C. S. Hammatt.

MEMORIALS.

William H. Jewell, J. R. Wetherell, J. H. Weddell.

The M. . E. . Grand High Priest delivered the following address :

GRAND HIGH PRIEST'S ADDRESS.

Companions of the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Florida:

It is with feelings of trepidity mingled with those of pride and satisfaction, that I extend to you one and all a hearty and fraternal greeting, and welcome you to the Fifty-eighth Annual Convocation, and trust it will be one of pleasure and profit. I say with trepidity, because I realize more fully now than one year ago my feeble ability to discharge acceptably the duties of the high office with which you crowned my overwhelming ambition; but I assure you that I have labored most earnestly to promote and advance Royal Arch Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction. Therefore, I know that you, my Companions, who are possessed with the charity that belongs to this noble order, will look upon the spirit in which it was done, and, "owing to its singular form and beauty," will pass the imperfect work and remit the penalties.

My official duties have been light and of the most agreeable character. Nothing tending to disturb the harmony and good fellowship heretofore prevailing in this Jurisdiction has come to my knowledge, and the Royal Craft has prospered beyond the most sanguine expectations. It is not with unmixed joy and gladness, however, that we gather around our holy altar today; for since our

Upon motion of M. . E. . Companion Cushman, all Royal Arch Masons in good standing were invited to attend the sessions of this Grand Chapter. The Committee on Returns and Credentials made the following report, which was received and adopted :

RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS

To the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Returns and Credentials respectfully report:

First, That the list of Grand Officers and Representatives present, as read by the Grand Secretary at roll-call, is correct. Second, That the following Chapters have made correct returns and paid their dues in full for 1903, within the time allowed, and are therefore entitled to representation, per demerit Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21, 22 and 23.

We find the return of Jasper Chapter, No. 10, correct and paid in full, but not signed by the High Priest. Providence Chapter, No. 20, is still due the Grand Chapter the sum of three (\$3) dollars.

Fraternally submitted,
J. E. TERWILLIGER,
T. H. WEDDELL,
H. W. DAVIS,
Committee.

The M. . E. . Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following committees :

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

M. G. Buck, John R. Wetherell, J. N. Bradshaw.

PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES

J. MacDiarmid, Angus Paterson, D. D. Beckman.

DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS.

L. A. Spencer, James Carnell, J. C. White.

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

William H. Jewell, George S. Hallmark, E. E. Haskell, James Carnell, Silas B. Wright.

last Annual Grand Convocation the silent reaper has been in our midst and garnered from our ranks into God's storehouse many loyal and loved Companions.

On December 21, 1903, Most Excellent Companion Warren Tyler, Past Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter, after a few days of suffering, passed into the presence of the Supreme council, in the Tabernacle not made with hands. He "rests from his labors and his works do follow him." He was a man of sterling integrity, inflexible honesty and the highest character. In him there was no guile, for he "was a good man and true," faithful to every trust and abounding in that greatest of all virtues—Charity to all mankind. Having been intimately acquainted and associated with him for a number of years, his death came to me as a personal loss, and I can well say of him,

"Green be the turf above thee,
Friend of my better days;
None knew thee but to love thee,
None named thee but to praise."

As soon as practicable his death was announced to the Craft in the following notice:

M. E. Grand Chapter

Royal Arch Masons State of Florida.

Jacksonville, Fla., January 20, 1904.
To the Excellent High Priests, Kings, Scribes and Companions of this Grand Jurisdiction, and All Grand Chapters in Fraternal Intercourse:

My Dear Companions:—The M. E. Grand Chapter, R. A. M., of Florida, has been called upon to yield up one of its most loving and active members and loyal sons. On December 21, 1903, at 3:30 p. m., at his home in Bartow, Florida,

M. E. Warren Tyler

Past Grand High Priest

of this Grand Jurisdiction, received the summons to pass within the Vails of the Sanctuary of the Heavenly Grand Council, into the presence of the Most High. Let us emulate his virtues and imitate his

worthy example, remembering that soon when our companions assemble to labor, our seats will also be vacant forever. May we all at last fill our appropriate seats in Heaven.

Companion Tyler was one of the most honored and respected citizens of the community in which he lived, and beloved member of our fraternity. He was born at Higganum, Conn., August 4, 1861, where he passed his early youth. He received his education at the Wesleyan University, graduating with honor in the class of 1883. He studied law and graduated from the Boston Law School in 1886. In September, 1889, he married Miss Marie E. Pratt, of Essex, Conn., who survives him. He located at Bartow, Florida, in 1887, and practiced his profession until he was elected cashier of the Polk County National Bank, which position, as well as that of President of the State Bank of Lakeland, he held to the time of his death.

Companion Tyler held many important positions in his adopted city and county. He was twice elected mayor, and served as president of the City Council for twelve successive years. He was a member of the County Board of Public Instruction, and captain of the Oak City Guards.

He had been honored many times by his Lodge, Chapter and Commandery as presiding officer.

His Masonic record is as follows:

He was initiated June 9, passed June 16, and raised June 23, 1885, in Granite Lodge No. 119, at Haddam, Conn.

Affiliated with Tuscan Lodge No. 6, Bartow, Fla., March 5, 1887, and served that Lodge as Worshipful Master from 1890 to 1892 and from 1897 to 1900; as Treasurer, 1894 to 1898 and 1901 to 1903.

He was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the 17th District in 1893, serving for nine years, and was elected Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Lodge of Florida in January, 1903.

He was exalted in Thomas Brown Chapter No. 22, at Bartow, Fla., on February 28, 1888, and served that Chapter as High Priest from 1890 to 1893; as Secretary, in 1894, and as Treasurer from 1897 to 1903.

He entered the Grand Chapter in 1891, and was appointed Grand Master 3rd Vail, and was regularly advanced until 1897, when he was elected Grand High Priest and served one term with marked ability.

He was anointed High Priest of the Order of High Priesthood, May 12, 1891, and elected Treasurer.

The Cryptic Degrees were conferred upon him in Bartow Council No. 2, July 2, 1903, and he was elected Thrice Illustrious Master.

He received all the degrees in the A. & A. S. R. up to and including the 30th degree in Plant City, Fla., in 1899 and 1900; and the 31st and 32nd degrees in Tampa Consistory No. 1, May 11, 1900, and was elected Knight Commander Court of Honor, by the Supreme Council 33rd degree, October, 1903.

The Orders of Christian Knighthood were conferred upon him in Olivet Commandery No. 4, Orlando, Fla., July 31, 1889. He affiliated with Plant City Commandery No. 6, as a charter member, March 18, 1895, and was elected its first Eminent Commander.

He participated in the organization of the Grand Commandery of Florida in 1895, and was elected Grand Warder, and was regularly advanced until 1900, when he was elected Grand Commander, in which capacity he served his fraters with that conscientious devotion to duty that ever marked his course through life.

He was created a Noble of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, May 9, 1894, in Morocco Temple, in which he took a constant and deep interest, and was a member of the Board of Trustees.

The remains of our distinguished companion were conveyed to his native State and there interred with the usual Masonic ceremonies by Granite Lodge No. 119 of that jurisdiction. As the body passed through Jacksonville, a delegation of the officers of the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery, under an escort of Sir Knights of Damascus Commandery, met the train, and while it remained in the city, watched with fraternal love and tenderness over all that remained of our deceased brother.

A good man, a true Mason, has laid down the burden of life and entered into rest. In all the relations of life he was exemplary. Far beyond the usual measure he had and held not only the confidence of the Craft, but of the community in general.

As a tribute of love to the memory of one who meritoriously won and worthily wore the highest honors of our Craft, it is hereby ordered that this announcement be read in each Chapter of this Grand Jurisdiction, at the first convocation after its receipt; that the same be spread on the records of said Chapters, and that the Charters, Altars and Jewels be draped in mourning for a period of sixty days.

(Seal.)

Fraternally,

T. G. HUTCHINSON,
Grand High Priest.

Attest: W. P. WEBSTER,
Grand Secretary.

It is with deep sorrow that I report the death of Most Excellent Companion William M. McIntosh, which occurred at his home in Tallahassee, on Saturday, April 16, 1904. Repeated attempts to obtain the necessary data having failed, I have been unable to prepare a fitting memorial, hence must bequeath to my successor this sad duty.

Companion McIntosh was elected Grand High Priest of this Grand Chapter at its Annual Convocation in 1894. His love for Masonry, and especially Royal Arch Masonry, was unbounded, and he exemplified, in his daily life and conversation, its most beautiful teachings and characteristics. He was in many respects an extraordinary man and few, if any, could pass one hour in the genial sunshine of his presence and companionship and not be impressed with his splendid graces of heart and mind.

Not only has our Grand Chapter been invaded by the messenger of death, but the dread scythe that seems to gloat over misery and death has cut down the following of our Companions of this Jurisdiction:

- Florida, No. 1—Henry J. Richardson, April 3.
- Florida, No. 1—Robert D. Murray, November 22.
- Tampa, No. 3—William Love, October.
- Halifax, No. 5—Harlan D. Brown, March 11.
- Mount Horeb, No. 6—J. B. Roberts, April 29.
- Mount Horeb, No. 6—H. C. White, May 4.
- Mount Horeb, No. 6—I. N. Rader, June 5.
- Mount Horeb, No. 6—George E. Smith, July 1.
- Mount Horeb, No. 6—John W. Frater, August 26.
- Mount Horeb, No. 6—F. M. Lenox, December.
- Jericho, No. 11—Albert F. Quimby, February.
- Jericho, No. 11—Jacob Schneidman, October.
- Jacksonville, No. 12—William G. Hawkins, June 11.
- Jacksonville, No. 12—William B. Barnett, October 21.
- Inverness, No. 14—William J. Parker, September 5.
- Monroe, No. 15—Andrew J. Corpren, November 5.
- Plant City, No. 16—William A. Brown, August.
- Plant City, No. 16—John R. Evers, December 26.
- Plant City, No. 16—John W. Matchett, June 21.

- Plant City, No. 16—Thomas Jefferson Smith, April 25.
 Providence, No. 20—John A. Barnes, March 12.
 Providence, No. 20—Lucius F. Frink, April 25.
 Thomas Brown, No. 22—John J. Bunch, August 11.
 Thomas Brown, No. 22—Stephen J. Hollingsworth.
 Thomas Brown, No. 22—Warren Tyler, Dec. 21.

It also pains us to know that our sister Grand Jurisdictions have suffered. Following is the list as reported to me of those Companions who have finished their work and passed on to the other side:

- Alabama—M. . E. . Companion James E. Cobb, Past Grand High Priest, June 2, 1903; R. . E. . Companion Joseph Pickett McQueen, Grand King, January 20, 1904.
 Arizona—M. . E. . Companion George W. Cheyney, Past Grand High Priest, August 14, 1903.
 Connecticut—M. . E. . Companion Wm. Wallace Lee, Past Grand High Priest, September 14, 1903.
 Colorado—M. . E. . Companion Roger Williams Woodbury, Past Grand High Priest, July 11, 1903.
 Georgia—M. . E. . Companion Judge Wm. Augustus Graham, Past Grand High Priest, February 24, 1904.
 Iowa—M. . E. . Companion Israel P. Wilson, Past Grand High Priest, March 9, 1904.
 Illinois—M. . E. . Companion Edward Coleman Pace, Past Grand High Priest, May 7, 1903.
 Kansas—R. . E. . Companion Peter John Freling, Grand Treasurer, June 10, 1903.
 Maine—M. . E. . Companion Joseph Alvah Locke, Past Grand High Priest, April 21, 1904.
 Maryland—R. . E. . Companion Jacob H. Medairy, Past Grand King, February 3, 1904.
 Missouri—M. . E. . Companion Reuben Barney, Past Grand High Priest, July 15, 1903.

New Jersey—M. . E. . Companion Charles Belcher, Grand Secretary, February 22, 1904.

Tennessee—M. . E. . Companion Angel S. Myers, Past Grand High Priest, February 9, 1904; M. . E. . Companion W. R. Shaver, Past Grand High Priest, October 11, 1903.

Texas—M. . E. . Companion John Adriance, Past Grand High Priest, December 7, 1903.

Virginia—R. . E. . Companion James O'Keeffe, Grand Principal Sojourner, July 24, 1903.

West Virginia—R. . E. . Companion Robert Carter Dunnington, Grand Secretary, February 10, 1904.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Upon the recommendation of the several Grand High Priests, I have issued commissions to the following Companions to act as Grand Representatives of this Grand Chapter near their respective Grand Chapters:

Kentucky—October 12, 1903, Edwin J. Wright, No. 2424 Amber St., Louisville, Ky.

South Dakota—December 19, 1903, John F. Schraeder, Rapid City, South Dakota.

I have recommended the following Companions as representatives of other Grand Chapters near this Grand Chapter:

Massachusetts—November 20, 1903, Irving E. Webster, Gainesville.

Arkansas—November 20, 1903, Henry G. Aird, Jacksonville.

Canada—November 20, 1903, Z. T. Merritt, Buena Vista.

Indiana—November 20, 1903, M. W. Carruth, Tampa.

- Iowa—November 18, 1903, Silas B. Wright, DeLand.
 Maine—November 18, 1903, E. E. Haskell, Palatka.
 Maryland—December 3, 1903, James Carnell, Ormond.
 South Dakota—December 9, 1903, Wm. H. Jewell, Orlando.
 Alabama—February 12, 1904, Geo. S. Hallmark, Jacksonville.
 Vermont—April 26, 1904, William H. Cyrus, Palatka.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.

Owing to a professional engagement, which could not be postponed, I was compelled to deny myself the privilege of attending the thirty-second triennial Convocation of the General Grand Chapter, held at Little Rock, Ark., October 6th to 8th, and the pleasure I had so selfishly looked forward to fell to the lot of R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest Louis C. Massey, who very ably and creditably represented the Grand Chapter of Florida, as per the following report:

M. E. Companion T. G. Hutchinson,

Orlando, May 14, 1904.

Grand High Priest,
 Jacksonville, Fla.

M. E. Companion:

Agreeably to your request that I should attend the General Grand Chapter in your place, I left Orlando on October 3, 1903, and reached Little Rock on October 5. The next morning it was my privilege to attend a special Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Arkansas for the purpose of receiving the General Grand Chapter, which was done with appropriate ceremonies. The General Grand Chapter was then opened and continued its sessions until the evening of Thursday, October 8. I am not informed whether its proceedings have been published as yet; consequently I will mention here that it was recommended to the Grand Chapter that they should require the use of two arks—one, with appropriate markings, for the R. A. degree, and another, surmounted with cherubim, but without markings, for the M. E. M. degree. With regard to the marking, it was stated that there was great diversity of use, and for that reason a system of marking was adopted, which will appear, as stated by the Ritual Committee, in the printed proceedings.

A method of reading the cryptograph was adopted. This, being esoteric, will not appear. Immediately upon my return from Little Rock I communicated it to our Grand Secretary.

During the past year I have visited officially only two of the Chapters assigned to me. The political campaign attendant on the primary election began in January and ended only this week, during which time I found it difficult to leave. Eureka Chapter No. 7 and Monroe Chapter No. 15 I visited several times each, and witnessed a good deal of degree work. These Chapters are in good condition, and are advancing in every way. I had set a day to visit Jericho Chapter No. 11, at Miami, but was obliged to give it up for the want of time. The Secretary reports to me that this Chapter is making excellent progress. St. Johns No. 4 and Halifax No. 5 I did not reach. So much for my official report of things done and of things left undone.

I cannot conclude without reference to the welcome which was extended to all visiting Companions at Little Rock. Everything that our Companions of Arkansas and the citizens of Little Rock could do to contribute to our pleasure and comfort was done, and in such a way that it seemed as though they were receiving our favors. Surely every Companion whose privilege it was to be there will ever cherish the warmest feelings toward the good Companions of Little Rock and Arkansas.

Fraternally submitted,

LOUIS C. MASSEY,

Deputy Grand High Priest.

In accordance with a regulation of the Grand Chapter, I made the following assignments to the elective Grand Officers for the year 1903:

District No. 1—*Grand High Priest*—Gainesville, No. 2; Jacksonville, No. 12; Putnam, No. 9; Jasper, No. 10; Lake Butler, No. 19; Providence, No. 20; Nassau, No. 23; St. Augustine, No. 17.

District No. 2—*Deputy Grand High Priest*—Eureka, No. 7; Monroe, No. 15; St. Johns, No. 4; Halifax, No. 5; Jericho, No. 11.

District No. 3—*Grand King*—Plant City, No. 16; Tampa, No. 3; Thomas Brown, No. 22; Inverness, No. 14; Island, No. 21.

District No. 4—*Grand Scribe*—Florida, No. 1; Mt. Horeb, No. 6; Madison, No. 8.

NEW CHAPTERS.

December 24, 1903, I granted the Companions of Bridentown, Manatee County, a dispensation to form a new Chapter, with Edmund R. Marsh, H. P., John C. Blackburn, King, and A. G. Lile, Scribe. They start with a membership of ten and have already excited fourteen candidates to the R. A. degree, and have a number of petitions.

January 1, 1904, I granted the Companions of West Palm Beach, Dade County, a dispensation to form a new Chapter, with High Priest, Geo. H. Matby; King, Benjamin Cook; and Scribe, Marion E. Gruber.

February 12, 1904, I restored the charter of Live Oak Chapter, No. 11 (changing its number to 25), to nine Companions of Live Oak, and appointed H. F. Airth, High Priest; Geo. E. Porter, King, and B. W. Helvesten, Scribe. In company with our R. E., Grand Secretary and a number of Companions of Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, I visited Live Oak Chapter, No. 25, and assisted in the reorganization of the Chapter and installation of its officers, and conferred the degrees of Mark Master, Past Master, Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch upon fifteen candidates. The outlook of this Chapter is most encouraging.

BY-LAWS APPROVED.

June 8, 1903. Approved amendment to by-laws of St. Johns Chapter, No. 4, changing the time of regular convocations to third Tuesday of each month and making annual dues \$3.00.

October 9, 1903. Approved resolution changing by-laws of Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, reducing annual dues from \$5.00 to \$2.50.

December 16, 1903. Approved action of Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, changing by-laws, Art. III, Sec. 2, to read as follows: "The regular convocation of this Chapter shall be held on the fourth Thursday in every

VISITATIONS.

My visits to the several Chapters have been pleasant and profitable. I have been cordially welcomed and royally entertained by the Chapters visited without exception, and I desire to say that the courtesy extended to me on every occasion is heartily appreciated.

All the Chapters that it has been my privilege to visit during the year are in a healthy condition and steadily growing in membership and prosperity. Officers and members are zealous and earnest, and manifest much interest in Royal Arch Masonry. In some instances, however, the Companions have been deprived of the great pleasure of showing to the best advantage the enthusiasm they possess. Notably, in Providence Chapter, No. 20, at Lake City, in which Chapter, owing to pressure of business and professional engagements over many of its members, and other circumstances over which they had no control, it has been well nigh impossible to get a quorum for the transaction of business during the year.

On November 20th, in company with Grand Secretary Webster, I visited this Chapter upon invitation, expecting to assist in conferring the degrees. After waiting sixteen hours for a quorum, Companion Judge Palmer suspended the business of his court, then in session, and together with the opposing attorneys in the case, attended the Chapter, and Providence Chapter, No. 20, was enabled to hold its first convocation since June 6, 1903. Regular business was transacted, petitions received and Past Master conferred. (If the enthusiasm and untiring efforts of the faithful few of this Chapter could be made "isochronous," it would become one of the banner Chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction.) They have a satisfactory membership, a field of good material to draw from, money in the treasury, valuable property on the main street, and are contemplating the erection of a handsome Chapter room.

month, except in the months of November and December, in which months they shall be held on the second Thursday, at the hour of 8 p. m. from the first of March to the first of October; from first of October to first of March at 7:30 p. m.; but they may suspend during the months of July, August and September, by special action of the Chapter."

December 19, 1903. Approved action of Eureka Chapter, No. 7, amending by-laws to read as follows: "The stated convocations of this Chapter shall be held on the first and third Tuesday in every month, at the hour of 7:30 p. m." unless the High Priest, or officer in charge of the Chapter, in his absence, shall order any stated convocation to be held at a different hour, which fact shall be stated in the notice."

DISPENSATIONS.

For good and sufficient reasons appearing to me, I have granted the following dispensations:

June 1, 1903. St. Johns Chapter, No. 4, to transact regular business at a special convocation to be held on Tuesday, June 2, 1903.

July 31, 1903. St. Johns Chapter, No. 4, to transact regular business at a special convocation to be held on Tuesday, August 4, 1903.

November 10, 1903. Jacksonville, Chapter, No. 12, to hold regular convocations on the second Thursday in November and December of this year.

March 12, 1904. Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, to transact regular business at a special convocation to be held on March 9, 1904.

March 28, 1904. Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 6, to receive and ballot on petitions of Brother John Grant, Gun Captain U. S. Ship Kearsarge, and Brother Martin D. Wahl, electrician on same ship.

April 5, 1904. Jasper Chapter, No. 10, to ballot on petition of Brother J. R. Teuten at a regular convocation.

April 11, 1904. Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, to ballot on petition of Brother E. O. Painter at a special convocation to be held Thursday, April 14, 1904.

DECISIONS.

June 20, 1903. Lake Butler Chapter, No. 19. A candidate having been duly elected to the Chapter degrees, but, before any of the degrees are conferred, it is alleged by several Companions that the candidate is guilty of unmasonic conduct and should not receive the degrees, and request that the ballot be reconsidered. Can this be done?

2nd. Will it be necessary to prefer charges in the lodge of which the candidate is a member?

3rd. Can the advancement of this candidate be arrested in any other way?

To which I answered: When objection is made to a candidate after ballot, and the objection stated to the Chapter, the matter should be referred to a committee and, on the report of such committee, decided by the Chapter on a majority vote.

November 16, 1903. St. Johns Chapter, No. 4. A Companion of our Chapter wishes to lodge an objection, for cause, against the advancement of a candidate who has taken the M. E. M. degree. Can such objection lie, and will it arrest the advancement of the candidate in the Chapter the same as in the Lodge?

To which I answered: When objection is made to a candidate by a Companion after ballot, and the objection stated to the Chapter, the matter should be referred to a committee and, on report of such committee, decided by the Chapter, by a majority vote. And would say such objection does lie and effectually arrests advancement of a candidate if, upon the report of the committee to whom the objection has been referred, the majority vote of the Chapter decides to sustain the objection.

November 26, 1903. Upon request of Jericho Chapter, No. 11, I remitted the dues of Companion E. W. Pugh, of Miami, and authorized the Grand Secretary to issue Grand Chapter certificate.

December 16, 1903. Upon request of Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, I authorized the Grand Secretary to issue Grand Chapter certificate to Companion George Ranson, a member of Eustis Chapter, No. 10, now defunct, it being impossible to determine the amount, if any, dues charged against him by that Chapter.

Where it is only necessary to call the presiding officers' attention to certain sections of the Constitution and By-Laws, that he might be able to readily decide his questions for himself, I deem it unnecessary for me to refer to and quote such decisions.

The following correspondence being a little out of the ordinary, I submit it in full:

Key West, Fla., Dec. 10th, 1903.
Thomas G. Hutchinson, G. H. P.,
Grand Chapter, R. A. M.,
Jacksonville, Fla.

Dear Sir and Companion:—At a regular convocation of Island Chapter No. 21, R. A. M., held last night, Dec. 9th, 1903, I was instructed to inform you that, through an inadvertence of said Chapter, it failed to inform you that not any convocations of said Chapter were held since that of March 12th, 1902, and hence no election of officers last December, 1902, for 1903.

The annual returns, together with the fees, were, however, forwarded to the Grand Secretary for the year 1902. The officers for 1902 were held over for 1903.

You are respectfully asked, at this late date, to confirm or grant dispensation for same.

At the convocation held last night it was suggested that the fees for the several degrees in this Chapter be changed, provided you gave permission to do so. At the present time, fees are as follows: For Mark Master Degree, \$10.00; for Past Master Degree, \$5.00; for M. E. Master Degree, \$5.00; for Royal Arch Degree, \$10.00; total, \$30.00.

It was suggested to reduce same to \$20.00 for the four degrees, provided you had no objection. The affiliation fee is \$10.00, the annual dues are \$2.00, and \$1.00 for Grand Chapter remain the same.

The election of officers for 1904 will take place at a regular convocation to be held on the 23rd inst., and we would be pleased to have your reply on or before that date.

Very respectfully,

Yours fraternally,

GEO. B. PHILLIPS,

Secretary Island Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 17, 1903.

George B. Phillips, Secretary,

Island Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M.,

Key West, Fla.

Dear Companion:—Your esteemed communication of the 10th inst. duly received. I note with regret that you have been unable to hold a convocation in so long a time, and hope now more enthusiasm is being shown that you will make up for lost time. As the officers have held over, and you will hold an election on the 23rd inst., at regular convocation, a dispensation is unnecessary.

The fees for the degrees are laid down by the Grand Chapter as follows:

"Sec. 14.—The degrees of the Chapter shall not be conferred for a less sum than twenty dollars, which must all be paid before receiving the Mark Degree, and then only upon Master Masons, who are members of Lodges in good standing, whose petitions have been duly presented in writing at a regular convocation, reported by a committee of investigation and unanimously accepted by the Chapter."

The fee may be raised by the Chapter, but the degrees cannot be conferred for a less amount.

Fraternally yours,

T. G. HUTCHINSON,
Grand High Priest.

CONCLUSION.

Before retiring from this station to which I was exalted by your votes one year ago, I desire to return to you my sincere thanks for the honor conferred and for the uniform courtesy and friendship ever extended me. My relations with the Officers and Companions of the Constituent bodies, as well as of the Grand Chapter, have been of the most pleasant character, and the burden of official duty has been materially lightened by the kindness and consideration I have received at their hands. I assure you that I shall be ever mindful of my debt of

gratitude, and shall do everything in my power in unofficial station to promote the welfare of our beloved fraternity.

Fraternally submitted,

T. G. HUTCHINSON, G. H. P.

Upon motion of Companion Keller, the foregoing address was referred to a committee of three for distribution of subjects, the Deputy Grand High Priest appointing as such committee, Companions Keller, Endel and Norton.

The Grand Secretary made the following report, which was received and referred to the special committee on distribution:

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Companions:—I have to report matters pertaining to this office for the past year as follows:

Four hundred and fifty copies of the proceedings of our last Annual Grand Convocation were printed and distributed in the usual manner.

By order of the M. E. Grand High Priest, commissions have been prepared and forwarded to the following Companions: Edwin J. Wright, Louisville, Kentucky, and John F. Schrader, Rapid City, South Dakota, appointing them representatives of the Grand Chapter of Florida in their respective Jurisdictions, both of which have been acknowledged.

Commissions have been received and delivered as follows: Henry G. Aird from the Grand Chapter of Arkansas, and Z. T. Merritt from the Grand Chapter of Canada.

As directed by you last year, six Past Grand High Priest's jewels, properly inscribed, have been procured, and are now ready for presentation to the Past Grand High Priests as designated by the report of the Finance Committee.

By order of the M. E. Grand High Priest, dispensations have been prepared and delivered as follows:

On December 24th, to form Manatee Chapter, U. D., at Braid-entown, Manatee County, with Edward R. Marsh as High Priest; John C. Blackburn as King, and A. G. Liles as Scribe.

On January 1st, to form Lake Worth Chapter, U. D., at West Palm Beach, with George H. Maltby as High Priest; Benjamin Cook as King, and M. E. Gruber as Scribe. Both of these Chapters have been doing good work, and have returned the dispensations with petitions for charters, paying the fee for same, and the papers are ready to be placed in the hands of the proper committee.

We have had a most prosperous year, having made a net gain of 158 during the past year, and I am pleased to state that every Chapter on our rolls made returns for 1903 within the prescribed limit as to time, and all have paid dues in full for that year, with the exception of Providence Chapter, No. 20, which still owes a balance of \$3.00 on account of an error in the return.

Madison Chapter, No. 8, however, has not paid anything on the back dues, as reported last year, and still owes a balance of \$44.30.

The thanks of this Grand Chapter are due to the Grand Chapter of Illinois for a volume of reprint of the proceedings of that Grand Chapter for the years 1864 to 1869 inclusive.

Owing to the trouble our Chapters have in getting arks from the supply houses with proper inscriptions upon them, I would recommend that the Grand Chapter procure a sufficient number of brass plates, suitably inscribed, and to furnish one to each of our Chapters, to be placed upon the top of their arks.

I would suggest that it would be well for the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence to consider the advisability of amending Section 43, Article II., of our Constitution, so as to conform to the regulation adopted in regard to Chapters near the border line of Georgia and Alabama.

There are some more or less serious errors in the printed proceedings of our last Annual Convocation, which I very much regret, and which were made by the printers, in a most unaccountable manner, after properly corrected proofs had been sent them; but the work not being done where I can personally oversee it, it is impossible for me to prevent errors being made by careless printers after the proofs have been properly corrected, and I trust that we may be able to get better work in the future.

Fraternally submitted,

W. P. WEBSTER,

Grand Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

W. P. Webster, Grand Secretary,

To the Grand Chapter of Florida.

Dr.

To Dues Monroe Chapter, No. 15, 1902.....	\$36.00
To Refunded by W. S. Jordan, overpaid on pay-roll,	5.00
To Received from Ocala Chapter (Individual Member)	2.00
To Dues Florida Chapter, No. 1, 1903.....	39.00
To Dues Gainesville Chapter, No. 2, 1903....	71.00
To Dues Tampa Chapter, No. 3, 1903.....	83.00
To Dues St. Johns Chapter, No. 4, 1903.....	31.00
To Dues Halifax Chapter, No. 5, 1903.....	88.00
To Dues Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 6, 1903....	83.00
To Dues Eureka Chapter, No. 7, 1903.....	46.00
To Dues Madison Chapter, No. 8, 1903.....	12.00
To Dues Putnam Chapter, No. 9, 1903.....	34.00
To Dues Jasper Chapter, No. 10, 1903.....	37.00

To Dues Jericho Chapter, No. 11, 1903.....	52.00	
To Dues Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, 1903....	168.00	
To Dues Inverness Chapter, No. 14, 1903.....	40.00	
To Dues Monroe Chapter, No. 15, 1903.....	41.00	
To Dues Plant City Chapter, No. 16, 1903....	50.00	
To Dues St. Augustine Chapter, No. 17, 1903..	35.00	
To Dues Lake Butler Chapter, No. 19, 1903....	40.00	
To Dues Providence Chapter, No. 20, 1903....	24.00	
To Dues Island Chapter, No. 21, 1903.....	30.00	
To Dues Thomas Brown Chapter, No. 22, 1903..	51.00	
To Dues Nassau Chapter, No. 23, 1903.....	38.00	
To Charter Fee, Manatee River Chapter, U. D.,	50.00	
To Charter Fee, Lake Worth Chapter, U. D.,	50.00	\$1236.00

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August 21, By paid Grand Treasurer.....	\$ 41.00	
January 30, 1904, By paid Grand Treasurer..	340.00	
February 16, 1904, By paid Grand Treasurer..	85.00	
March 22, 1904, By paid Grand Treasurer....	409.00	
March 31, 1904, By paid Grand Treasurer....	158.00	
April 13, 1904, By paid Grand Treasurer....	103.00	
May 13, 1904, By paid Grand Treasurer.....	100.00	\$1236.00

The Grand Treasurer made the following report, which was received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts:

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 17, 1904.

Marcus Endel, Grand Treasurer,

In account with the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of Florida.

Dr.

May 12, 1903, To balance on hand	\$1549.68
August 21, 1903, To received from Grand Secretary.....	41.00
January 30, 1904, To received from Grand Secretary....	340.00
February 16, 1904, To received from Grand Secretary..	85.00
March 22, 1904, To received from Grand Secretary.....	409.00
March 31, 1904, To received from Grand Secretary.....	158.00
April 13, 1904, To received from Grand Secretary.....	103.00
May 13, 1904, To received from Grand Secretary.....	100.00
April 1, 1904, To interest from Commercial Bank.....	21.11
Total	\$2806.79

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By vouchers attached	996.66
Balance on hand	\$1810.13

The Deputy Grand High Priest made a verbal report of his attendance upon the Convocation of the General Grand Chapter and of the action taken by that body on important matters.

The M. . E. . Grand High Priest presented an invitation from the Jacksonville Board of Trade, for the members of the Grand Chapter to attend their reception, Wednesday night, on the formal opening of their new building.

On motion of M. . E. . Companion Hallmark, the invitation was accepted.

The motion of Past Grand High Priest Endel prevailed, that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment, it be to resume labor at 3 o'clock p. m.

The Grand High Priest announced that the annual session of the order of High Priesthood would be held in the Grand Chapter room at 2 o'clock p. m., Wednesday.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER,

Tuesday, May 17, 3 P. M.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. . E. . Grand High Priest, with officers and members as at morning session.

The minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

The Special Committee on Distribution made the following report, which was received and adopted:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

To the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee to whom the address of the M. . E. . Grand High Priest was referred for distribution of subjects, beg leave to report as follows:

That so much thereof as refers to the fraternal dead be referred to the Committee on Memorials.

That so much thereof as refers to dispensations granted, by-laws amended and Chapters U. D. be referred to the Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws.

That so much as refers to the decisions of the M. . E. . Grand High Priest, be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

We also recommend that so much of the Grand Secretary's report as refers to finance be referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

With reference to the suggestion of the Grand Secretary that the Grand Chapter procure a sufficient number of brass plates, suitably inscribed, to be furnished to the Subordinate Chapters, we recommend that same be referred for consideration to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

We further recommend that the suggestion of the Grand Secretary regarding the advisability of amending Section 43 of Article II, of the Constitution, be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

In concluding this report we would fall short of doing our duty did we fail to note the courtesy extended to this Grand Chapter by the Grand Chapter of Illinois in furnishing us with a volume of reprint of the proceedings of that Grand Chapter for the years 1864 to 1869 inclusive, and we therefore recommend that the Grand Secretary be directed to formally extend to the Grand Chapter of Illinois our grateful appreciation for this fraternal favor.

Fraternally submitted,

J. R. KEELER,
MARCUS ENDEL,
J. H. NORTON,
Committee.

The Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws made the following report, which was received and adopted:

DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS.

To the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of Florida:

We, your Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws, beg leave to report:

We recommend that the several dispensations granted and approvals of changes in by-laws of different Subordinate Chapters, as reported by the M. . E. . Grand High Priest, be approved.

We have carefully examined the report of work done by Manatee River Chapter, and also the report of the work done by Lake Worth Chapter, under dispensations issued by the M. . E. . Grand High Priest, also copies of the proposed by-laws to be enforced therein, and finding the same to be in accordance with rules and regulations of this Grand Chapter, with such slight changes as your Committee have seen fit to make, recommend the approval of the same.

We also recommend that charters be granted under the names of Manatee River Royal Arch Chapter, No. —, and Lake Worth Royal Arch Chapter, No. —.

We would further recommend that the representatives of the above named Chapters in attendance upon this Grand Convocation, be allowed mileage and per diem.

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES CARNELL,
L. A. SPENCER,
JONH C. WHITE,
Committee.

The Committee on Work reported that the work in the Royal Arch degree would be exemplified at 7:30 p. m., and the Most Excellent Master's degree Wednesday night, at the same hour, by the Committee on Work.

Past Grand High Priest's jewels were presented to the following Past Grand High Priests, the Grand High Priest making the presentation: Geo. S. Hallmark, James W. Boyd, Angus Paterson, Marcus Endel and J. R. Wetherell. A jewel had also been procured for Past Grand High Priest Wm. E. Anderson, but he not being present, on account of ill health, it was turned over to Companion Keller, with instructions to have same presented to M. . E. . Companion Anderson in Mt. Horeb Chapter.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report, which was received and adopted:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business have carefully had under consideration the proceedings of the last Grand Convocation and find no unfinished business except the amendments to the Constitution appearing therein, and to which we direct the attention of the Grand Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,

J. N. BRADSHAW,
MORDECAI G. BUCK,
J. R. WETHERELL,
Committee.

The proposed amendment to Article I, Section 9, of the Constitution was taken up and adopted, to read as follows:

Art. I., Sec. 9.—The installation of the officers of this Grand Chapter shall take place during the Annual Grand Convocation at which they are elected or appointed. Provided, that any such officers who cannot be present at the regular time for installation, may be installed in such Chapter or Chapters as the Grand Chapter may designate, and in such case the Secretary of the Chapter in which such installation shall take place shall forthwith certify the fact to the Grand Secretary.

The proposed amendment to Article II, Section 38, was also taken up and adopted, to read as follows:

Article II., Sec. 38.—The High Priest shall preside at the several convocations of the Chapter, and, in case of his absence or inability to act, his powers and prerogatives shall vest in the King and Scribe in succession. In the absence of all these officers from a Stated or Special Convocation regularly called, the Junior Past High Priest present may open the Chapter and preside.

The M.·E.·Grand High Priest appointed Companions H. N. Sweeting and T. Picton Warlow as tellers, and the Grand Chapter proceeded with the election of its officers for the ensuing year, with the following result:

GRAND OFFICERS ELECTED.

M.·E.·. Grand High Priest—Louis C. Massey.
 R.·E.·. Deputy Grand High Priest—Olin S. Wright.
 R.·E.·. Grand King—Joseph R. Keller.
 R.·E.·. Grand Scribe—William S. Ware.
 R.·E.·. Grand Treasurer—Marcus Endel.
 R.·E.·. Grand Secretary—Wilber P. Webster.
 R.·R.·. Grand Chaplain—John H. Weddell.

The following resolution was offered by Companion Massey and adopted:

Resolved, That the Masters of the Vails be seated to the South instead of to the West of the altar which shall be in front of the Royal Arch Captain.

The motion of Companion Olin S. Wright prevailed, that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment, it be to visit Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, at 7:30 p. m., to witness the exemplification of the work in the Royal Arch degree by the Committee on Work.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER,

Tuesday, May 17, 7:30 P. M.

The Grand Chapter visited Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, and witnessed the exemplification of the work in the Royal Arch degree by the Committee on Work, after which it resumed labor.

Minutes of afternoon session were read and adopted.

The Grand High Priest-elect announced the appointment of the following Grand Officers:

Grand Captain of the Host—Z. T. Merritt.
 Grand Principal Sojourner—F. W. Armstrong.
 Grand Royal Arch Captain—Warren F. Scott.
 Grand Master Third Vail—T. Picton Warlow.
 Grand Master Second Vail—J. E. Terwilleger.
 Grand Master First Vail—John MacDiarmid.
 Grand Guard—James F. Clark.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts made the following report, which was received and adopted:

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

To the M.·E.·Grand Chapter of Florida:

The undersigned Committee on Finance and Accounts beg leave to report as follows:

We have examined and compared the books of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer and find them correct. The balance to the credit of the special savings fund being, with the accumulated interest to date, \$941.41. Balance in general fund available for current expenses, \$868.72.

We again recommend that the savings fund be continued at interest, and commend the foresight and good management of the

Grand Treasurer in starting the fund and increasing it so as to show the excellent results as per his report.

For current expenses of the Grand Chapter we recommend the following appropriations:

For pay-roll, attached	\$325.00
For Salary, Grand Secretary.....	200.00
For rent library room.....	50.00

We recommend that the Grand Secretary, with the consent of the Grand High Priest be authorized to draw warrants for such amounts as may be necessary for printing, stationery, postage and other incidentals, for the use of the Grand High Priest, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and for the expenses of this Grand Convocation, and that the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay such warrants.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary be and is hereby instructed to procure Past Grand High Priest's jewels for presentation to Past Grand High Priests Enos Wasgate, Thos. S. Wilmarth, Irving E. Webster, Silas B. Wright, William H. Jewell, Wilber P. Webster, James Carnell, Elmer E. Haskell, A. M. Cushman and Thos. G. Hutchinson.

We have placed upon the pay-roll and recommend that per diem and mileage be paid to the representatives of Manatee River Chapter U. D., to whom a charter has been granted at this session.

We continue the recommendation of the Finance Committee of last year regarding the publishing, with the proceedings, of a cut of the retiring Grand High Priest and one of the Past Grand High Priests, as may be found most convenient.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized and instructed to procure thirty brass plates bearing the official Tetra-grammaton as prescribed by the General Grand Chapter, and furnish same to the chapters at cost.

Fraternally submitted,

SILAS B. WRIGHT,
A. M. CUSHMAN,
C. S. HAMMATT,
Committee.

PAY-ROLL.

NAMES	Chapter or Office	Mile- age	Per diem	Total
T. G. Hutchinson	G. H. P.	\$	\$4 00	\$4 00
L. C. Massey	Dep. G. H. P.	6 00	4 00	10 00
Olin S. Wright	Grand King	9 10	4 00	13 10
Joseph R. Keller	Grand Scribe	24 00	00	28 00
Marcus Endel	Grand Treasurer	3 15	4 00	7 15
Irving E. Webster	Grand Chaplain	3 15	2 00	5 15
Z. T. Merritt	G. C. H.	14 70	4 00	18 70
F. W. Armstrong	G. R. A. C.	6 45	4 00	10 45
Warren F. Scott	G. M. 3d Vail .....	.....	4 00	4 00
T. Picton Warlow	G. M. 1st Vail	6 00	4 00	10 00
Jas. F. Clark	G. Guard .....	.....	5 00	5 00
G. S. Hallmark	P. G. H. P. ....	.....	4 00	4 00
Angus Paterson	P. G. H. P.	4 65	4 00	8 65
E. E. Haskell	P. G. H. P.	2 45	4 00	6 45
Wm. H. Jewell	P. G. H. P.	6 00	4 00	10 00
James Carnell	P. G. H. P.	4 65	4 00	8 65
A. M. Cushman	P. G. H. P.	3 15	4 00	7 15
J. R. Wetherell	P. G. H. P.	4 75	4 00	8 75
Silas B. Wright	P. G. H. P.	4 75	4 00	8 75
James W. Boyd	P. G. H. P.	8 30	4 00	12 30
H. N. Sweeting	Florida, No. 1	6 85	4 00	10 85
R. McClellan	Gainesville, No. 2	3 15	4 00	7 15
John C. White	Tampa, No. 3	8 65	4 00	12 65
J. MacDiarmid	St. Johns, No. 4	4 75	4 00	8 75
D. D. Beekman	Halifax, No. 5	4 65	4 00	8 65
L. A. Spencer	Eureka, No. 7	6 00	4 00	10 00
M. G. Buck	Madison, No. 8	4 65	4 00	8 65
C. S. Hammatt	Jacksonville, No. 12 .....	.....	4 00	4 00
G. W. DeMuro	Inverness, No. 14	5 85	4 00	9 85
J. E. Terwilliger	Monroe, No. 15	5 25	4 00	9 25
J. H. Weddell	Plant City, No. 16	9 10	4 00	13 10
H. W. Davis	St. Augustine, No. 17	1 90	4 09	5 90
J. I. Jones	Lake Butler, No. 19	2 30	4 00	6 30
Carl Warfield	Nassau, No. 23	2 00	2 00	4 00
H. F. Airth	Live Oak, No. 25 .....	.....	4 00	4 00
A. G. Lisle	Manatee, U. D.	8 25	4 00	12 25

\$325 00

The motion of Past Grand High Priest Endel prevailed, that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment, it be to visit Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, at 9:30 a. m., Wednesday, to witness the exemplification of the work in the Mark Master and Past Master's degrees by the Committee on Work.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER,

Wednesday, May 18, 9:30 A. M.

The Grand Chapter visited Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, and witnessed the exemplification of the work in the Mark Master degree by the Committee on Work, after which it resumed labor.

Minutes of evening session were read and adopted.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence made the following report, which was received and adopted:

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

To the M.:.E.:.Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report that the decisions of the M.:.E.:.Grand High Priest are in accordance with the law, and are approved.

In reference to the statement of the Grand Secretary as to change necessary in Section 43, of the Constitution of this Grand Chapter, we recommend that Section 43, of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter of Florida be amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 43.—“A Chapter shall not confer the degrees upon a candidate who resides nearer some other Chapter without the consent of such Chapter; Provided, That the M.:.E.:.Grand Chapter, R. A. M., of Florida, recognizes concurrent jurisdiction with the M.:.E.:.Grand Chapter of Georgia of all material residing at or near the boundary line between Florida and Georgia, where by a petition of one residing in such locality may be presented to the nearest Chapter; and concurrent jurisdiction with the M.:.E.:.Grand Chapter of Alabama, over all material residing within five (5) miles of the State line, provided there be no organized Chapter of his own Jurisdiction within ten (10) miles of the petitioner's residence.”

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. S. HALLMARK,
E. E. HASKELL,
WM. H. JEWELL,
JAMES CARNELL,
SILAS B. WRIGHT,
Committee.

The Committee on Memorials made the following report, which was received and adopted:

MEMORIALS.

To the M.:.E.:.Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee to which has been entrusted the sad but loving duty of presenting a brief tribute to our dead, contemplates with awe the sombre list of those who have been, in the past year, called from labor to refreshment from this tabernacle of clay to “one not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.” Their names will appear inscribed elsewhere among the proceedings of this Grand Body, a melancholy record. In no one year that we now recall has death so broken our ranks. And not only do we grieve because of the number of dear Companions taken from us, but that among these are so many who were zealous and devoted laborers for Capitular Masonry, especially our beloved and Most Excellent Companions and Past Grand High Priests, Wm. M. McIntosh and Warren Tyler. The one past three score years and ten; the other in the fullness of manhood, with life apparently stretching far before him. The one rich in years and closing a life crowned with honor and usefulness; the other in the enjoyment of domestic happiness and worldly prosperity, with life's goblet of precious hopes brimming at his lips, and looking forward to many years of joy and usefulness yet to come. But, in the midst of life, duty and usefulness, he was overtaken by death. His sun of life went down at noon, and his station is vacant forever. And thus it is with others of those dear Companions whose loss we now lament. Death has taken the young and the old, the strong and the feeble, for he is no respecter of persons, nor of earthly or worldly conditions.

Well is it when we can feel that death is but a transition, the opening to us of the doors to “more light.” And well is it, too, when the record of our life which we take with us, as well as that left behind us, is a record for which we need not blush. nor fear to present to Him who is the Judge of the quick and the dead. It was so, we humbly trust, with all these dear Companions who have left us. It was so, we feel sure, with our two Most Excellent Companions whose lives and characters while here had won for them the respect, the sympathy, the love and admiration of all who knew them. May we imitate their virtues and profit by their example.

Our profound sympathy goes out to sister Grand Jurisdictions which, like our own, have suffered loss by death of many excellent and beloved Companions, who had wrought long in the quarries and have, we trust, now presented suitable specimens of their industry and skill to the Grand Architect.

But we sorrow not as those without hope, for death, though our loss, is gain to the loved ones, and they have been led through the valley of the shadows by One who leads the blind by a way they know not; Who makes darkness light before them, and crooked things straight.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM H. JEWELL,
J. H. WEDDELL,
J. R. WETHERELL,
Committee.

The motion of M. . E. . Companion Hallmark prevailed, that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to resume labor at 4 o'clock p. m.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER,

Wednesday, May 18, 4 P. M.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. . E. . Grand High Priest, with officers and members as at previous sessions.

Minutes of morning session were read and adopted.

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances made the following report, which was received and adopted:

PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES.

To the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Propositions and Grievances would fraternally report that there has been nothing referred to us to act upon, and that peace and harmony seem to prevail throughout our Grand Jurisdiction. All of which is submitted.

ANGUS PATERSON,
JOHN MacDIARMID,
D. D. BEEKMAN,
Committee.

Companion T. Picton Warlow presented the following resolution, which was received and adopted:

Resolved, That the recommendation of the General Grand Chapter as to the lettering on the sides of the ark be adopted, and all Subordinate Chapters be required to conform thereto, upon notification by the Grand Secretary of the proper lettering.

The following Grand Officers were duly installed by Past Grand High Priest Paterson, assisted by M. . E. . Companion Irving E. Webster as Grand Marshal:

GRAND OFFICERS INSTALLED.

Louis C. Massey, M. . E. . Grand High Priest.
Olin S. Wright, R. . E. . Deputy Grand High Priest.
Joseph R. Keller, R. . E. . Grand King.
William S. Ware, R. . E. . Grand Scribe.
John H. Weddell, R. . R. . Grand Chaplain.
F. W. Armstrong, E. . Grand Principal Sojourner.
Warren F. Scott, E. . Grand Royal Arch Captain.
T. Picton Warlow, E. . Grand Master Third Vail.
J. E. Terwilleger, Grand Master Second Vail.
John MacDiarmid, Grand Master First Vail.

The Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary having been re-elected, and the Grand Captain of the Host and Grand Guard, re-appointed, their installation was not necessary at this time.

The motion prevailed that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to visit Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, at 7:30 p. m., to witness the exemplification of the Past Master and Most Excellent Master degrees by the Committee on Work.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

Wednesday, May 18, 7:30 P. M.

The Grand Chapter visited Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, and witnessed the exemplification of the work in the Past Master and Most Excellent Master degrees by the Committee on Work, after which it resumed labor.

Minutes of afternoon session were read and adopted.

The M. . E. . Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

Work.—Marcus Endel, Thos. G. Hutchinson, John H. Norton, Silas B. Wright, James Carnell, Olin S. Wright, John R. Wetherell.

Correspondence.—W. P. Webster, William H. Jewell, Irving E. Webster.

Printing.—W. P. Webster, John H. Norton, Marcus Endel.

Upon motion of M. . E. . Companion James Carnell, the thanks of the Grand Chapter were extended to Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, for the use of rooms and paraphernalia.

No further business appearing, the foregoing minutes were read and adopted and the Grand Chapter was closed in Ample form, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Attest:

LOUIS C. MASSEY,
Grand High Priest.

W. P. Webster

Grand Secretary.





WARREN TYLER
Grand High Priest 1897

W. E. Warren Tyler

Grand High Priest 1897

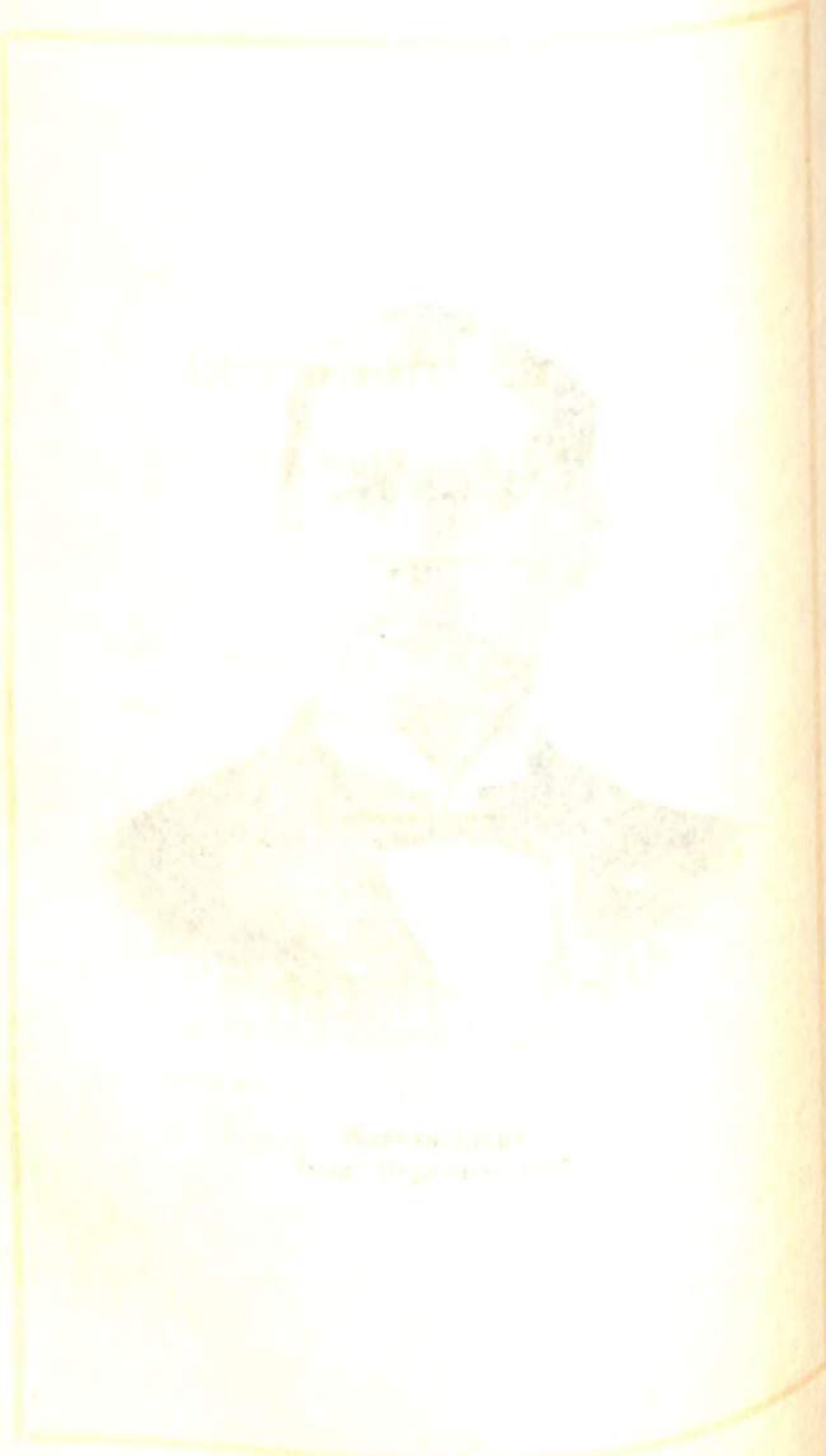
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MEMORIAL ADDRESS DELIVERED AT THE

MEETING OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE I. O. O. F. OF

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"Friend after friend departs,
Who has not lost a friend?
There is no union here of hearts
That finds not here an end."



M.: E.: Warren Tyler

Grand High Priest 1897.

BORN AT HIGGANUM, CONN., AUGUST 4, 1861.
DIED AT BARTOW, FLA., DECEMBER 21, 1903.

"Friend after friend departs.
Who has not lost a friend?
There is no union here of hearts
That finds not here an end."

M. E. William M. McIntosh

Grand High Priest 1894.
Grand Secretary 1871 and 1872.

BORN IN SUMTER COUNTY, S. C., JANUARY 25, 1826

DIED AT TALLAHASSEE, FLA., APRIL 16, 1904

"Hope looks beyond the bounds of Time,
When what we now deplore,
Shall rise in full immortal prime,
And bloom to fade no more."

TO THE MEMORY
OF
Companions of Our Jurisdiction

Who Passed Away during the Year 1903,

This Page Is Fraternaly Dedicated.

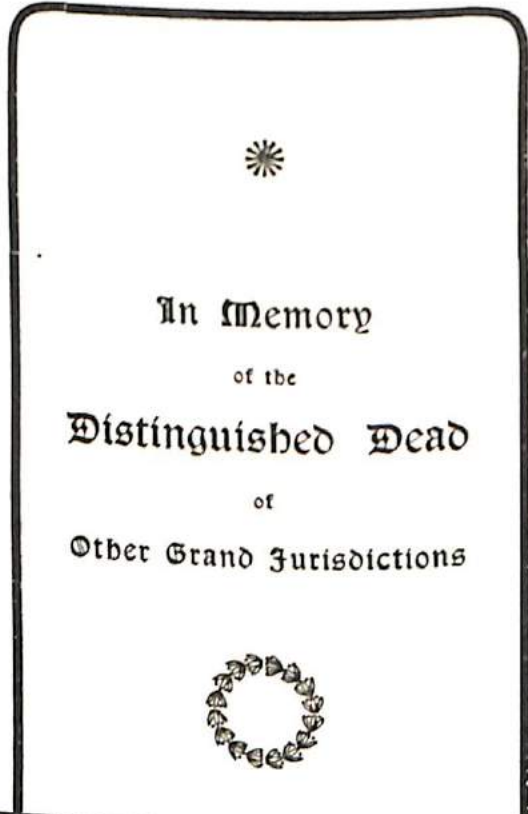
HENRY J. RICHARDSON...	Florida.....	No. 1,	April 3
ROBERT D. MURRAY.....	Florida.....	1,	Nov. 22
WILLIAM LOVE.....	Tampa.....	3,	October
HARLAN D. BROWN.....	Halifax.....	5,	March 11
J. B. ROBERTS.....	Mount Horeb..	6,	April 29
H. C. WHITE.....	Mount Horeb..	6,	May 4
J. N. RADER.....	Mount Horeb..	6,	June 5
GEORGE E. SMITH.....	Mount Horeb..	6,	July 1
JOHN W. FRATER.....	Mount Horeb..	6,	August 26
F. M. LENOX.....	Mount Horeb..	6,	December
ALBERT F. QUIMBY.....	Jericho.....	11,	February
JACOB SCHNEIDMAN.....	Jericho.....	11,	October
WILLIAM G. HAWKINS....	Jacksonville...	12,	June 11
WILLIAM B. BARNETT....	Jacksonville...	12,	October 21
WILLIAM J. PARKER.....	Inverness.....	14,	Sept. 5
ANDREW J. CORPREN....	Monroe.....	15,	Nov. 5
WILLIAM A. BROWN.....	Plant City.....	16,	August
JOHN R. EVERS.....	Plant City.....	16,	Dec. 26
JOHN W. MATCHETT.....	Plant City.....	16,	June 21
THOS. JEFFERSON SMITH..	Plant City.....	16,	April 25
JAMES A. BARNES.....	Providence.....	20,	March 12
LUCIUS F. FRINK.....	Providence.....	20,	April 25
JOHN J. BUNCH.....	Thomas Brown	22,	August 11
STEPHEN T. HOLLINGS-			
WARREN TYLER.....	WORTH.. Thomas Brown	22,	
	Thomas Brown	22,	Dec. 21

STATISTICS.

CHAPTER.	Number.	Members Last Year.	Exalted.	Affiliated.	Reinstated.	Total.	Deaths.	DJmitted.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Pre sent Membership.
Florida.....	1	39	2	1	...	42	2	3	...	...	37
Gainesville.....	2	63	...	...	...	73	...	1	...	...	72
Tampa.....	3	70	...	...	...	79	1	...	...	...	73
St. Johns.....	4	26	...	...	...	31	...	...	...	...	29
Halifax.....	5	76	...	...	...	84	1	3	1	...	79
Mount Horeb.....	6	60	12	2	...	74	6	1	...	...	67
Eureka.....	7	41	5	1	...	47	...	...	...	...	47
Madison.....	8	23	...	2	...	25	...	2	...	...	23
Putnam.....	9	34	...	...	...	34	...	...	...	...	29
Jasper.....	10	25	...	...	...	33	...	1	...	...	32
Jericho.....	11	46	3	5	...	54	2	4	...	...	48
Jacksonville.....	12	106	32	10	...	148	2	2	8	...	136
Inverness.....	14	29	5	1	...	35	1	...	...	...	34
Monroe.....	15	32	6	...	...	38	1	...	...	...	37
Plant City.....	16	56	7	2	...	65	4	2	2	...	57
St. Augustine.....	17	31	2	...	...	33	...	1	...	...	32
Manatee River.....	18	...	20	13	...	33	...	...	...	...	33
Lake Butler.....	19	52	...	1	...	53	...	...	...	...	53
Providence.....	20	30	2	2	...	34	2	1	...	...	31
Island.....	21	30	...	...	...	30	...	...	...	...	30
Thomas Brown.....	22	26	13	4	1	44	3	2	...	...	39
Nassau.....	23	27	7	...	...	34	...	...	...	...	34
Lake Worth.....	24	...	9	10	...	19	...	...	...	...	19
Live Oak.....	25	...	...	...	9	9	...	...	...	...	9
Totals.....		922	160	55	14	1154	25	35	11	...	1080

Directory of Chapters.

CHAPTER.	LOCATION.	TIME OF MEETING.
Florida.....	1 Tallahassee.....	Second and fourth Monday.
Gainesville.....	2 Gainesville.....	Fourth Monday.
Tampa.....	3 Tampa.....	First and Third Thursday.
St. Johns.....	4 DeLand.....	Third Tuesday.
Halifax.....	5 Daytona.....	Second Thursday.
Mount Horeb.....	6 Pensacola.....	Second Monday.
Eureka.....	7 Orlando.....	First and Third Tuesday.
Madison.....	8 Madison.....	First and Third Monday.
Putnam.....	9 Palatka.....	Second and Fourth Monday.
Jasper.....	10 Jasper.....	First Thursday.
Jericho.....	11 Miami.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday.
Jacksonville.....	12 Jacksonville.....	Fourth Thursday.
Inverness.....	14 Inverness.....	Third Monday.
Monroe.....	15 Sanford.....	Second and Fourth Tuesday.
Plant City.....	16 Plant City.....	Second Friday.
St. Augustine.....	17 St. Augustine.....	Fourth Tuesday.
Manatee River.....	18 Braidenton.....	First Thursday.
Lake Butler.....	19 Lake Butler.....	Third Friday.
Providence.....	20 Lake City.....	Second and Fourth Wednesday.
Island.....	21 Key West.....	Second Friday.
Thomas Brown.....	22 Bartow.....	Second Tuesday.
Nassau.....	23 Fernandina.....	...
Lake Worth.....	24 West Palm Beach.....	...
Live Oak.....	25 Live Oak.....	...



In Memory
of the
Distinguished Dead
of
Other Grand Jurisdictions

Who were Called to the Celestial Chapter on High during the Year 1903.

CHAPTER DIRECTORY.

CHAPTER.	No.	HIGH PRIEST.	KING.	SCRIBE.	TREASURER.	SECRETARY.	SECRETARY'S ADDRESS.
Florida.....	1	Geo. E. McGriff.....	Charles Munroe.....	Dorsey M. Lutz.....	Robert Gamble.....	.....	Tallahassee.
Gainesville.....	2	N. W. Littlefield.....	W. B. Higdon.....	J. M. Williams.....	M. B. Saunders ..	J. G. Torrey.....	Gainesville.
Tampa.....	3	Geo. P. Sullivan.....	Abe Maas.....	W. R. Fitts.....	E. H. Kratz.....	John C. White.....	Tampa.
St. Johns.....	4	John MacDiarmid.....	Scott Hodgkins.....	Albert S. Munson.....	John H. Hibbard.....	Thomas R. Webb.....	DeLand.
Halifax.....	5	DeWitt D. Beckman.....	Wm. G. Hobbs.....	John W. Williams.....	Frank T. Peck.....	Arthur H. Carter.....	Nolly Hill.
Mt. Horeb.....	6	A. G. Fell.....	Harry W. Gibbs.....	Val. H. Wright.....	Gus Eitzen.....	W. E. Anderson.....	Pensacola.
Eureka.....	7	L. A. Spencer.....	Joseph Dawson.....	Wm. R. O'Neal.....	Mahlon Gore.....	Wm. H. Jewell.....	Orlando.
Madison.....	8	Mordecai G. Buck.....	Abraham H. West.....	Elijah H. Bunker.....	.....	Angus Paterson.....	Madison.
Putnam.....	9	F. C. Cochrane.....	Chas. E. Rowton.....	J. W. Lee.....	Moritz Kohl.....	M. I. Coxe.....	Palatka.
Jasper.....	10	John F. Smith, Jr.....	J. P. Hodge.....	E. C. Horne.....	M. F. Horne.....	I. J. McCall.....	Jasper.
Jericho.....	11	H. Price Williams.....	James D. Girtman.....	Andrew Hardie.....	C. H. Bradley.....	A. E. Heyser.....	Miami.
Jacksonville.....	12	C. S. Hammatt.....	Thomas Hilditch.....	Ralph D. Grether.....	Chas. W. Johnson.....	Wilber P. Webster.....	Jacksonville.
Inverness.....	14	Geo. W. DeMuro.....	Lewis Thompson.....	Joseph W. Knight.....	A. T. Priest.....	Samuel L. Wilson.....	Inverness.
Monroe.....	15	C. E. Waite.....	J. E. Terwilleger.....	R. M. Mason.....	T. J. Miller.....	J. C. Ensminger.....	Sanford.
Plant City.....	16	John H. Weddell.....	James L. Young.....	Andrew K. Tison.....	Eben B. Trask.....	Olin S. Wright.....	Plant City.
St. Augustine.....	17	Henry W. Davis.....	John W. Sineath.....	William Moody.....	Claud C. Speer.....	F. N. Holmes.....	St. Augustine.
Manatee River.....	18	Robt. C. Trimble.....	Ben. F. Wade.....	A. G. Liles.....	.....	.....	Braidentown.
Lake Butler.....	19	John J. Jones.....	F. M. Byrd.....	R. R. Richard.....	E. L. Odom.....	F. M. Rivers.....	Lake Butler.
Providence.....	20	J. O. Harris.....	B. H. Palmer.....	W. N. Cone.....	T. G. Henderson.....	J. W. Perry.....	Lake City.
Island.....	21	Jeremiah Fogarty.....	J. W. V. R. Plummer.....	Geo. D. Warren.....	Geo. H. Curry.....	Geo. B. Phillips.....	Key West.
Thomas Brown.....	22	Hugh W. Wear.....	John M. Oglesby.....	Asa J. J. Lewis.....	James S. Wade.....	James W. Boyd.....	Bartow.
Nassau.....	23	James McGiffin.....	Fred W. Hoyt.....	W. A. Evans.....	J. W. Howell.....	C. Warfield.....	Fernandina.
Lake Worth.....	24	Geo. H. Maltby.....	Benjamin Cook.....	Marion E. Gruber.....	.....	W. G. Talton.....	West Palm Beach.
Live Oak.....	25	H. F. Airth.....	G. E. Porter.....	B. W. Helvenston.....	D. O. Henry.....	J. A. McLeod.....	Live Oak.

STATE.	NAME.	ADDRESS.
General Grand Chapter.....	Christopher G. Fox.....	Buffalo, N. Y.
Alabama.....	Geo. A. Beaudamp.....	Montgomery.
Arizona.....	George J. Koskrug.....	Tucson.
Arkansas.....	John C. Bone.....	Batesville.
California.....	William A. Davies.....	San Francisco.
Canada.....	George J. Bennett.....	Toronto.
Colorado.....	William D. Todd.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	James McCormick.....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	James H. Price.....	Washington.
District of Columbia.....	A. W. Johnston.....	London.
Florida.....	Edward Letchworth.....	Macon.
Georgia.....	W. A. Wolcott.....	Chicago.
Illinois.....	Gil. W. Barnard.....	Indianapolis.
Indiana.....	Calvin W. Prather.....	Des Moines.
Iowa.....	Alf. Wingate.....	Atoka.
Indian Territory.....	I. S. Murrow.....	Topeka.
Kansas.....	Wm. M. Shaver.....	Louisville.
Kentucky.....	H. B. Grant.....	New Orleans.
Louisiana.....	Richard Lambert.....	Portland.
Maine.....	Stephen Berry.....	Baltimore.
Maryland.....	John H. Miller.....	Roston.
Massachusetts.....	I. Gilman Waite.....	Coldwater.
Michigan.....	Chas. A. Conover.....	St. Paul.
Minnesota.....	Thos. Montgomery.....	Yicksburg.
Mississippi.....	Frederic Speed.....	St. Louis.
Missouri.....	William H. Mayo.....	Helena.
Montana.....	Cornelius Hedges.....	Omaha.
Nebraska.....	Francis E. White.....	Carson City.
Nevada.....	C. N. Noleware.....	St. Johns.
New Brunswick.....	Wm. H. Wallace.....	Concord.
New Hampshire.....	Frank D. Woodbury.....	Passaic.
New Jersey.....	Leonard L. Green.....	Albuquerque.
New Mexico.....	Alphens A. Keen.....	Sydney.
New York.....	Alfred I. Burbridge.....	Buffalo.
New Zealand.....	Christopher G. Fox.....	Waterloo.
North Carolina.....	H. L. Williams.....	Wilmington.
North Dakota.....	James C. Munds.....	Fargo.
Nova Scotia.....	Frank T. Thompson.....	Halifax.
Ohio.....	D. H. Campbell.....	Urbanda.
Oregon.....	Edwin Hagenbach.....	Engene.
Pennsylvania.....	James F. Robinson.....	Philadelphia.
Quebec.....	Charles Carr.....	Montreal.
Rhode Island.....	Will H. Whyte.....	Providence.
Scotland.....	William R. Greene.....	Edinburgh.
South Carolina.....	Robert S. Brown.....	Columbia.
South Dakota.....	John T. Barron.....	Sioux Falls.
Tennessee.....	Geo. A. Pettigrew.....	Nashville.
Texas.....	W. A. Clendenning.....	Cleburne.
Vermont.....	John A. Bryan.....	Burlington.
Virginia.....	H. H. Ross.....	Mebourne.
Washington.....	John Brim.....	Petersburg.
West Virginia.....	James B. Blanks.....	Farmont.
Wisconsin.....	Frank E. Nichols.....	Walla Walla.
Wisconsin.....	Yancy C. Blalock.....	Walla Walla.
Wisconsin.....	William W. Perry.....	Milwaukee.

GRAND SECRETARIES.

GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA.

PAST ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA.
From Its Organization to Date.

GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.	DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.	GRAND KINGS.	GRAND SCRIBES.	GRAND TREASURERS.	GRAND SECRETARIES.	GRAND CHAPLAINS.
1847 Thos. Douglas*	John P. DuVal*	Harry R. Taylor*	Geo. W. Macrae*	Edwin D. Nash*	John B. Taylor*	Edwin L. T. Blake*
1848 John P. DuVal*	Isaac H. Bronson*	Geo. W. Macrae*	D. S. Graham*	Thomas Brown*	John B. Taylor*	Edwin L. T. Blake*
1849 Isaac H. Bronson*	Harry R. Taylor*	D. S. Graham*	R. A. Shine*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	Charles E. Dyke*
1850 Harry R. Taylor*	D. S. Graham*	R. A. Shine*	Gad Humphreys*	David C. Wilson*	John B. Taylor*	Edwin L. T. Blake*
1851 Thomas Brown*	Gad Humphreys*	Alfred A. Fisher*	Benj. Sawyer*	David C. Wilson*	John B. Taylor*	Geo. M. McDonald*
1852 R. A. Shine*	Samuel B. Stephens*	Samuel Boardman*	D. G. McLean*	David C. Wilson*	John B. Taylor*	Charles E. Dyke*
1853 Samuel Boardman*	J. M. W. Davidson*	C. A. M. Mitchell*	James S. Rust*	David C. Wilson*	John B. Taylor*	E. G. Asay.
1854 J. Wales Baker*	Thomas Y. Henry*	James Ellenwood*	John L. McKinnon*	David C. Wilson*	John B. Taylor*	Homer Hendee.
1855 J. Wales Baker*	Edward R. Ives*	Joseph S. May*	.....	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	Homer Hendee.
1856 Thomas Hayward*	Edward R. Ives*	John L. McKinnon*	James Ellenwood*	R. A. Shine*	John B. Taylor*	Charles E. Dyke*
1857 Gad Humphreys*	James Ellenwood*	John L. McKinnon*	David S. Walker*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	J. R. Plummer.
1858 Thomas Hayward*	James Ellenwood*	D. P. Holland*	Charles E. Dyke*	John S. Bond*	John B. Taylor*	John Penny.*
1859 D. P. Hollan*	.....	Geo. F. Baltzell*	Calvin Davis*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	John Penny.*
1860 Thomas Y. Henry*	Geo. F. Baltzell*	Geo. D. Fisher*	Josiah Payne*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	Edwin L. T. Blake*
1861 Geo. F. Baltzell*	James Ellenwood*	Franklin Branch*	Charles Slager*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	John Penny.*
1862 Geo. F. Baltzell*	James Ellenwood*	Charles Slager*	D. C. Dawkins*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	John Penny.*
1863 Geo. F. Baltzell*	James Ellenwood*	Green H. Hunter*	Wm. H. Arendell*	Thomas Hayward*	Hugh A. Corley*	Thomas A. Carruth.*
1864 Geo. F. Baltzell*	James Ellenwood*	Thos. K. Leonard*	Wm. H. Arendell*	Thomas Hayward*	Hugh A. Corley*	Columbus Smith.*
1865 David Jones*	D. C. Dawkins*	B. S. Fuller*	Elias Earle*	T. Preston Tatum*	Hugh A. Corley*	Columbus Smith.*
1866 David Jones*	D. C. Dawkins*	Elias Earle*	A. J. Lea*	T. Preston Tatum*	Hugh A. Corley*	Columbus Smith.*
1867 David Jones*	Wm. Morrill*	Charles Slager*	Chas. K. Sparhawk*	T. Preston Tatum*	Hugh A. Corley*	Samuel C. Craft.
1868 James Ellenwood*	Wm. Morrill*	Charles Slager*	M.M.T. Hutchinson*	T. Preston Tatum*	Hugh A. Corley*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1869 D. C. Dawkins*	M.M.T. Hutchinson*	H. H. Berry*	Michael Bowes*	T. Preston Tatum*	Edw. Bradford, Jr.*	Thomas A. Carruth.*
1870 D. C. Dawkins*	Chas. Slager*	Charles Mundee*	Samuel Pasco*	T. Preston Tatum*	Edw. Bradford, Jr.*	Thomas A. Carruth.*
1871 D. C. Dawkins*	James Ellenwood*	Wm. Morrill*	Theodore Ball*	T. Preston Tatum*	W. M. McIntosh*	Edwin L. T. Blake*
1872 Wm. Morrill*	Hugh A. Corley*	John C. Ley*	James L. Taylor*	T. Preston Tatum*	W. M. McIntosh*	Thomas A. Carruth.*
1873 Michael Bowes*	Samuel Pasco*	John S. Driggs*	Ben. G. Alderman*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1874 Michael Bowes*	John S. Driggs*	Benj. G. Alderman*	D. C. Wilson*	Wm. A. Young*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1875 Henry W. Long*	Edmund P. Jordan*	Wm. T. Weeks*	W. W. Tucker*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1876 John S. Driggs*	Charles J. Allred*	W. W. Tucker*	John T. Miller*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1877 John S. Driggs*	George R. Jones*	W. W. Tucker*	John T. Miller*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1878 Enos Wasgate*	Robert J. Perry*	G. E. Wentworth*	Geo. S. Hallmark*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1879 Robert J. Perry*	G. E. Wentworth*	Geo. S. Hallmark*	Hugh A. Corley*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1880 Robert J. Perry*	Geo. S. Hallmark*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. A. McLean*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1881 W. A. McLean*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1882 W. A. McLean*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	G. S. Hallmark*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1883 Geo. S. Hallmark*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	J.W.V.R. Plummer*	T. S. Wilmarth*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1884 Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	J.W.V.R. Plummer*	Angus Paterson*	T. S. Wilmarth*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1885 Wm. E. Anderson*	J.W.V.R. Plummer*	Angus Paterson*	Marcus Endel*	T. S. Wilmarth*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1886 Angus Paterson*	Marcus Endel*	F. S. Goodrich*	John G. Ellis*	T. S. Wilmarth*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John S. Wharton.
1887 Angus Paterson*	Marcus Endel*	F. S. Goodrich*	R. A. Montsalvatge*	T. S. Wilmarth*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1888 Marcus Endel*	Fred S. Goodrich*	Wm. M. McIntosh*	Chas. H. Munger*	T. S. Wilmarth*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1889 Marcus Endel*	Fred S. Goodrich*	James W. Boyd*	Chas. H. Munger*	T. S. Wilmarth*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1890 J. W. Boyd*	T. S. Wilmarth*	F. P. Mersereau*	Silas B. Wright*	John H. Stephens*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1891 T. S. Wilmarth*	F. P. Mersereau*	I. E. Webster*	J. H. Stephens*	Henry S. Ely*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1892 Irving E. Webster*	Silas B. Wright*	W. M. McIntosh*	J. H. Stephens*	Henry S. Ely*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1893 Silas B. Wright*	Wm. M. McIntosh*	John H. Stephens*	Henry S. Ely*	Warren Tyler*	W. A. McLean*	Irving E. Webster.
1894 Wm. M. McIntosh*	John H. Stephens*	Wm. H. Jewell*	Warren Tyler*	Wilber P. Webster*	W. A. McLean*	Irving E. Webster.
1895 John H. Stephens*	Wm. H. Jewell*	Warren Tyler*	Wilber P. Webster*	Irving E. Webster*	W. A. McLean*	Wm. M. McIntosh.*
1896 Wm. H. Jewell*	Warren Tyler*	W. P. Webster*	Olin S. Wright*	Irving E. Webster*	W. A. McLean*	Wm. M. McIntosh.*
1897 Warren Tyler*	W. P. Webster*	James Carnell*	E. E. Haskell*	Irving E. Webster*	W. A. McLean*	Wm. M. McIntosh.*
1898 Wilber P. Webster*	James Carnell*	E. E. Haskell*	A. M. Cushman*	Marcus Endel*	W. A. McLean*	Wm. M. McIntosh.*
1899 James Carnell*	E. E. Haskell*	A. M. Cushman*	J. R. Wetherell*	Marcus Endel*	T. G. Hutchinson*	Wm. M. McIntosh.*
1900 E. E. Haskell*	A. M. Cushman*	J. R. Wetherell*	T. G. Hutchinson*	Marcus Endel*	W. P. Webster*	Wm. M. McIntosh.*
1901 A. M. Cushman*	J. R. Wetherell*	T. G. Hutchinson*	Louis C. Massey*	Marcus Endel*	W. P. Webster*	Wm. M. McIntosh.*
1902 J. R. Wetherell*	T. G. Hutchinson*	Louis C. Massey*	Olin S. Wright*	Marcus Endel*	W. P. Webster*	Irving E. Webster.
1903 T. G. Hutchinson*	Louis C. Massey*	Olin S. Wright*	Joseph R. Keller*	Marcus Endel*	W. P. Webster*	Irving E. Webster.

*Deceased.

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Stephen C. Henderson, Brewton.	Alabama.....	Geo. S. Hallmark, Jacksonville.
Prosper Powell Parker, Phoenix.	Arizona.....	T. G. Hutchinson, Jacksonville.
George P. Taylor, Forest City.	Arkansas.....	Henry G. Aird, Jacksonville.
Edward Richards, Hedges.	California.....	Wm. S. Ware, Jacksonville.
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Geo. W. Roe, Pueblo.	Colorado.....	J. R. Wetherell, DeLand.
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George W. Beatty, Wilmington.	Delaware.....	Silas B. Wright, DeLand.
John Lockie, Washington.	Dis. of Columbia.....	J. H. Norton, Jacksonville.
W. A. Davis, Macon.	Georgia.....	John H. Norton, Jacksonville.
W. L. Orr, Chicago.	Illinois.....	Melville W. Carruth, Tampa.
Elmer Crockett, South Bend.	Indiana.....	Olin S. Wright, Plant City.
Jonas A. Lee, Rush Springs.	Indian Territory.....	Silas B. Wright, DeLand.
George R. Turner, Ames.	Iowa.....	Olin S. Wright, Plant City.
Aaron H. Connett, Great Bend.	Kansas.....	James W. Boyd, Bartow.
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Wm. Alex. Smith, Sydney.	New South Wales.....	Wm. H. Cyrus, Gainesville.
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Chas. W. Greene, Devil's Lake.	North Dakota.....	Marcus Endel, Gainesville.
John M. Lawson, Yarmouth.	Nova Scotia.....	Harry N. Sweeting, Tallahassee.
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Ferdinand H. Allen, Providence.	Rhode Island.....	Warren F. Scott, Jacksonville.
James D. Duncan, Michelwood.	Scotland.....	Wm. H. Jewell, Orlando.
A. T. Smythe, Charleston.	South Carolina.....	George S. Hallmark, Jacksonville.
John F. Schrader, Rapid City.	South Dakota.....	Angus Paterson, Madison.
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Fred Ring, LaCrosse.	Wisconsin.....	

CHAPTERS CHARTERED MAY 17, 1904

Giving Former Chapter of Members.

MANATEE RIVER, NO. 18.

BRAIDENTOWN, MANATEE COUNTY.

- Robert C. Trimble, H. P. Manatee River, U. D.
- Ben. F. Wade, K. Putnam, No. 9.
- A. G. Liles, S. Tampa, No. 3.
- C. W. Inman Gainesville, No. 2.
- Edmund R. Marsh Tampa, No. 3.
- David C. Youngblood Tampa, No. 3.
- John C. Pelot Grand Chapter Cert.
- John C. Blackburn Eudora, No. 65, Ga.
- Henry B. Jefferson Alma, No. 123, Michigan.
- W. M. Rowlett Colliersville, No. 101, Tenn.
- J. J. Biggs Thomasville, No. 44, Ga.
- John Hodler Evansville, No. 12, Ind.
- S. S. Lamb Shubuta, No. 59, Miss.
- Walter M. Baxter Manatee River, U. D.
- Thos. J. Bachman Manatee River, U. D.
- S. Edward Curry Manatee River, U. D.
- Charles T. Curry Manatee River, U. D.
- Elisha B. Camp Manatee River, U. D.
- Thomas W. Conrad Manatee River, U. D.
- John A. Graham Manatee River, U. D.
- William F. Howe Manatee River, U. D.
- James W. Johnstone Manatee River, U. D.
- W. U. Lathrop Manatee River, U. D.
- John B. Leffingwell Manatee River, U. D.
- John H. Layne Manatee River, U. D.
- J. A. Lamb Manatee River, U. D.
- Asa B. Lamb Manatee River, U. D.
- J. Jones Stewart Manatee River, U. D.

John M. Stansfield	.....	Manatee River,	U. D.
Marvin O. Thomas	.....	Manatee River,	U. D.
John F. Vanderipe	.....	Manatee River,	U. D.
Harry Wadham	.....	Manatee River,	U. D.
J. L. Wilhelm	.....	Manatee River,	U. D.

LAKE WORTH, NO. 24.

WEST PALM BEACH, DADE COUNTY.

George H. Maltby, H. P.	.....	McPherson, No. 48,	Kansas.
Benjamin Cook, K.	.....	St. Johns, No. 4.	
Marion E. Gruber, S.	.....	Jericho, No. 11.	
Louis P. Lane	.....	Jericho, No. 11.	
Charles R. Carlin	.....	Halifax, No. 5.	
C. C. Chillingworth	.....	Halifax, No. 5.	
Lewis D. Lockwood	.....	Halifax, No. 5.	
Reynolds Cathron	.....	Halifax, No. 5.	
N. S. Burnham	.....	Saint Louis, No. 87,	Mich.
E. M. Brelsford	.....	Xenia, No. 36,	Ohio.
William G. Talton	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
Thomas D. Brown	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
George W. Brown	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
Karl Kittler	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
L. W. Burkhardt	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
Thomas Watson	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
E. Jackson	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
J. D. C. Morris	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
R. B. Gilbert	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
Geo. G. Currie, M. E. M.	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
H. L. Hillier, M. E. M.	....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
J. M. Owens, M. E. M.	....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
Ed. L. Hosford, P. M.	....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
Wm. W. Jarvis, P. M.	....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
L. G. Lyman, P. M.	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.
J. Wm. McCubbens, P. M.	.....	Lake Worth,	U. D.

Amendments to Constitution.

Adopted May, 1904.

Article I, Section 9.—The installation of the officers of this Grand Chapter shall take place during the Annual Grand Convocation at which they are elected or appointed. *Provided*, That any such officer who cannot be present at the regular time for installation, may be installed in such Chapter or Chapters as the Grand Chapter may designate, and in such case the Secretary of the Chapter in which such installations shall take place shall forthwith certify the fact to the Grand Secretary.

Article II, Section 38.—The High Priest shall preside at the several Convocations of the Chapter, and, in case of his absence or inability to act, his powers and prerogatives shall vest in the King and Scribe in succession. In the absence of all these officers from a Stated or Special Convocation regularly called, the junior Past High Priest present may open the Chapter and preside.

Resolutions Adopted May, 1904.

Resolved, That the Masters of the Vails shall be seated to the South instead of to the West of the altar which shall be in front of the Royal Arch Captain.

Resolved, That the recommendation of the General Grand Chapter as to the lettering on the sides of the ark be adopted, and all Subordinate Chapters be required to conform thereto, upon notification by the Grand Secretary of the proper lettering.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution.

Article II, Section 43.—A Chapter shall not confer the degrees upon a candidate who resides nearer some other Chapter. *Provided*, That the M. . E. . Grand Chapter, R. A. M., of Florida, recognizes concurrent jurisdiction with the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of Georgia of all material residing at or near the boundary line between Florida and Georgia, whereby a petition of one residing in such locality may be presented in the nearest Chapter; and concurrent jurisdiction with the M. . E. . Grand Chapter of Alabama, over all material residing within five (5) miles of the State line, provided there be no organized Chapter of his own Jurisdiction within ten (10) miles of the petitioner's residence.

(This amendment was sanctioned and ordered to lie over till the next Annual Convocation for final action.)

Order of High Priesthood.

ANNUAL CONVOCATION.

The Annual Convocation of the Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood of the State of Florida was held in the Masonic Temple, in the city of Jacksonville, Wednesday, May 18, A. D. 1904, at 2 o'clock p. m., the following officers being present:

M. . E. . ANGUS PATERSON President.
 M. . E. . JAMES W. BOYD Vice-President.
 M. . E. . IRVING E. WEBSTER Chaplain.
 M. . E. . [REDACTED] Treasurer.
 M. . E. . WILBER P. WEBSTER Secretary.
 M. . E. . SILAS B. WRIGHT Conductor.
 M. . E. . WARREN F. SCOTT . . . as Master of Ceremonies.
 M. . E. . JAMES CARNELL Herald.
 M. . E. . JOHN R. WETHERELL Steward.
 M. . E. . JAMES F. CLARK Guard.

The Grand Council was opened in Ample form. Upon motion, the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Convocation was dispensed with, they having been printed and distributed, and they were adopted as printed.

Petitions for the Order were received from the following Companions:

Henry W. Davis, H. P. St. Augustine Chapter, No. 17.
 John J. Jones, H. P. Lake Butler Chapter, No. 19.
 Daniel D. Beekman, H. P. Halifax Chapter, No. 5.
 John H. Weddell, H. P. Plant City Chapter, No. 16.
 Lucien A. Spencer, H. P. Eureka Chapter, No. 7.
 Clarence S. Hammatt, H. P., Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12.
 James E. Terwilleger, P. H. P. Monroe Chapter, No. 15.

These Companions being found eligible, their applications were received and they were duly elected to receive the degree.

All of the above candidates being in waiting, they were introduced, anointed and consecrated in due and ancient form.

The Treasurer's report was presented as follows:

Warren Tyler, Treasurer, in account with the Grand Council:

	Dr.	Cr.
May 13, 1903, To balance on hand	\$42.02	\$ 2.50
May 13, 1903, By paid J. F. Clark, Guard		27.35
June 22, 1903, By paid for Bibles		
August 19, 1903, By paid printing proceedings		4.80
By balance on hand		7.37
	\$42.02	\$42.02

Upon motion the report was received and ordered printed.

The Secretary made the following report, which was received and ordered printed:

W. P. Webster, Secretary, in account with the Grand Council:

	Dr.	Cr.
To Bible sold	\$ 1.15	
To Fees	14.00	
By Express on Bibles . . . . .		.42
By balance on hand		14.73
	\$15.15	\$15.15

Upon motion, the Secretary was authorized to pay James F. Clark, Guard, the sum of \$2.50, and also to pay the necessary expenses of printing.

Companion Boyd reported the death of Companions McIntosh and Tyler and, upon motion, a memorial page was ordered inscribed to their memory.

The M. . E. . President appointed Companions Scott and Beekman as tellers, and the Grand Council proceeded with the annual election of officers, the following officers being unanimously elected:

- M. . E. . : Angus Paterson, re-elected President.
- M. . E. . : James W. Boyd, re-elected Vice-President.
- M. . E. . : Irving E. Webster, re-elected Chaplain.
- M. . E. . : Clarence S. Hammatt, elected Treasurer.
- M. . E. . : Wilber P. Webster, re-elected Secretary.
- M. . E. . : Silas B. Wright, re-elected Conductor.
- M. . E. . : Alonzo M. Cushman, re-elected Master of Ceremonies.
- M. . E. . : James Carnell, re-elected Herald.
- M. . E. . : John R. Wetherell, re-elected Steward.
- M. . E. . : James F. Clark, re-elected Guard.

No further business appearing, the foregoing minutes were read and adopted, and the Grand Council was closed in Ample form.

Attest: ANGUS PATERSON, President.
W. P. WEBSTER, Secretary.

M. E. Warren Tyler

Consecrated May 13, 1891.

Died December 21, 1903.

M. E. William M. McIntosh

Consecrated January 19, 1888.

Died April 16, 1904.

Register of Membership.

NAME.	DATE.
DeWitt C. Dawkins* ...	Consecrated January 12, 1865
John F. Benezet	Consecrated January 12, 1865
David S. Walker*	Consecrated January 12, 1865
Angus Paterson	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Henry W. Long	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William A. McLean* ...	Consecrated January 19, 1888
D. Warwick Stanley* ..	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Charles H. Munger	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Fred S. Goodrich	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William A. Griffith	Consecrated January 19, 1888
James F. Clark	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William M. Somerville..	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Marcus Endel	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William W. Tucker* ..	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William E. Anderson ..	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Wm. M. McIntosh, Sr.*.	Consecrated January 19, 1888
George S. Hallmark ...	Affiliated January 19, 1888
James W. Boyd	Affiliated January 19, 1888
Samuel Pasco	Consecrated January 16, 1889
Julius Stark*	Consecrated January 16, 1889
Herman Glogowski	Consecrated January 18, 1889
Robert McClellan	Consecrated January 18, 1889
J. W. V. R. Plummer ..	Consecrated January 18, 1889
John H. Stephens	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Thomas S. Wilmarth ...	Consecrated May 7, 1890
R. Alfred Montsalvatge*	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Frank P. Mersereau	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Silas B. Wright	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Samuel A. Wauchope ..	Affiliated May 7, 1890
Irving E. Webster	Consecrated May 13, 1891

*Dead.

NAME.	DATE.		
Edgar A. Richards	Consecrated May	13,	1891
Warren Tyler*	Consecrated May	13,	1891
William H. Jewell	Consecrated May	11,	1892
William S. Jordan	Consecrated May	11,	1892
John D. Sinclair	Consecrated May	11,	1892
Elijah H. Bunker	Consecrated May	11,	1892
Charles J. Hayes	Consecrated May	11,	1892
Dougald McLachlan	Consecrated May	12,	1892
James H. Whitfield*	Consecrated May	12,	1892
Alonzo M. Cushman	Consecrated Nov.	10,	1893
Olin S. Wright	Consecrated May	10,	1893
Alexander C. Martin	Consecrated May	10,	1893
Bingham H. Chadwick	Consecrated May	18,	1894
Nathaniel T. Elliott*	Consecrated January	18,	1894
Wilber P. Webster	Consecrated January	18,	1894
Everard F. Barnes	Consecrated January	18,	1894
Milton A. Fuller	Affiliated January	5,	1894
Thomas J. Smith	Consecrated March	16,	1894
Syd. L. Carter	Consecrated March	16,	1894
Warren K. Bartleson	Consecrated March	9,	1894
Henry J. Stewart*	Consecrated May	9,	1895
William M. Dunn	Consecrated May	7,	1895
James E. Pound	Consecrated January	7,	1895
Joseph Townsend	Consecrated January	7,	1895
Lowell C. Ruter	Consecrated January	15,	1895
Joseph F. Tolbert	Consecrated January	15,	1895
James Harden	Consecrated January	15,	1895
Andrew E. Gleason	Consecrated January	18,	1895
George W. Hyde	Consecrated January	24,	1896
Henry F. Airth	Consecrated January	24,	1896
William P. Anderson*	Consecrated January	24,	1896
Enos Wasgate	Affiliated January	13,	1896
James Carnell	Consecrated May	13,	1896
Monroe D. Cushing*	Consecrated May	13,	1896
Henry Payne	Consecrated May	13,	1896
Irving E. Baird	Consecrated May	13,	1896
John R. Wetherell	Consecrated May	13,	1896

*Dead.

NAME.	DATE.		
Charles R. Oglesby	Consecrated May	13,	1896
John N. Bradshaw	Consecrated May	13,	1896
Eugene P. Mickel	Consecrated Dec.	27,	1896
Louis C. Massey	Consecrated May	11,	1897
Roque V. Rogero	Consecrated May	11,	1897
John E. Hanna*	Consecrated May	11,	1897
Elmer E. Haskell	Consecrated May	12,	1897
Wm. E. Ballough	Consecrated May	12,	1897
Geo. P. Ballough	Consecrated May	12,	1897
Charles E. Waite	Consecrated May	12,	1897
Thomas G. Hutchinson	Consecrated January	21,	1898
Ludwig W. Buchholz	Consecrated January	21,	1898
William H. Hausman	Consecrated May	9,	1898
Abraham H. West	Consecrated Dec.	27,	1898
John T. Miller	Consecrated January	19,	1899
H. V. R. Schrader	Consecrated May	10,	1899
Charles L. Smith	Consecrated May	10,	1899
Joseph G. Torrey	Consecrated May	10,	1899
William H. Cyrus	Consecrated May	10,	1899
T. P. Warlow	Consecrated January	19,	1900
Henry N. Sweeting	Consecrated May	9,	1900
Arthur H. Carter	Consecrated May	9,	1900
L. F. Frink*	Consecrated January	17,	1901
W. W. Faris	Consecrated January	17,	1901
Joseph R. Keller	Consecrated May	15,	1901
Thomas West Gary	Consecrated May	15,	1901
Frank W. Armstrong	Consecrated May	15,	1901
Warren F. Scott	Consecrated May	15,	1901
John M. Young	Affiliated May	15,	1901
Bascom H. Palmer	Consecrated October	23,	1901
William S. Ware	Consecrated January	23,	1902
John H. Norton	Consecrated January	23,	1902
Z. T. Merritt	Consecrated January	23,	1902
James M. Chesser	Consecrated January	23,	1902
Orson J. Hill	Consecrated May	14,	1902
Benjamin F. Hough	Consecrated May	14,	1902
James F. Miller	Consecrated May	14,	1902

*Dead.

NAME.	DATE.
Franklin L. Rees.....	Consecrated June 24, 1902
Mordecai G. Buck.....	Consecrated January 7, 1903
Hugh W. Wear.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
George H. Clark.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
James O. Harris.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
Melville W. Carruth....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
Victor F. Balkcom.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
Louis Harrison.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
John MacDiarmid.....	Consecrated May 13, 1904
Henry W. Davis.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
John J. Jones.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
Daniel D. Beekman.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
John H. Weddell.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
Lucien A. Spencer.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
Clarence S. Hammatt...	Consecrated May 18, 1904
James E. Terwilleger...	Consecrated May 18, 1904



LOUIS C. MASSEY,
Grand High Priest, 1904.

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PROCEEDINGS
OF
Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons
OF THE
STATE OF FLORIDA.

Fifty-ninth Annual Convocation,

Held in the City of Jacksonville,

May 9 and 10, A. D. 1905, A. I. 2435.

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GRAND OFFICERS
OF THE
M.:E.: Grand Chapter of Florida
FOR
A. I. 2435, A. D. 1905.

- M.:E.: OLIN S. WRIGHT, Grand High Priest, Plant City.
R.:E.: JOSEPH R. KELLER, Deputy Grand High Priest,
Pensacola.
R.:E.: WILLIAM S. WARE, Grand King, Jacksonville.
R.:E.: FRANK W. ARMSTRONG, Grand Scribe, Tal-
lahassee.
R.:E.: MARCUS ENDEL, Grand Treasurer, Gainesville.
R.:E.: WILBER P. WEBSTER, Grand Secretary, Jack-
sonville.
R.:R.: JOHN H. WEDDELL, Grand Chaplain, Thonoto-
sassa.
E.:T. PICTON WARLOW, Grand Captain of the Host,
Orlando.
E.: WARREN F. SCOTT, Grand Principal Sojourner, Fer-
nandina.
E.: GEORGE W. DE MURO, Grand Royal Arch Captain,
Inverness.
E.: J. E. TERWILLEGER, Grand Master Third Vail, San-
ford.
E.: JOHN C. WHITE, Grand Master Second Vail, Tampa.
E.: WILLIAM G. HOBBS, Grand Master First Vail, Day-
tona.
E. JOHN W. CAPPER, Grand Guard, Jacksonville.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
M.:E.: Grand Chapter of Florida.

The Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida, assembled in its fifty-ninth Annual Convocation in Masonic Temple, in the City of Jacksonville, on Tuesday, May 9, A. D. 1905, A. I. 2435.

The roll being called there were found to be present the following:

GRAND OFFICERS.

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| LOUIS C. MASSEY..... | M.:E.: Grand High Priest. |
| OLIN S. WRIGHT..... | R.:E.: Dep. G. H. Priest. |
| JOSEPH R. KELLER..... | R.:E.: Grand King. |
| WILLIAM S. WARE..... | R.:E.: Grand Scribe. |
| MARCUS ENDEL..... | R.:E.: Grand Treasurer. |
| WILBER P. WEBSTER..... | R.:E.: Grand Secretary. |
| JOHN H. WEDDELL..... | R.:R.: Grand Chaplain. |
| JOSEPH DAWSON..... | as E.:G. Captain of the Host. |
| FRANK W. ARMSTRONG..... | E.:G. Principal Sojourner. |
| WARREN F. SCOTT..... | E.:G. Royal Arch Captain. |
| T. PICTON WARLOW..... | E.:G. Master Third Vail. |
| J. E. TERWILLEGER..... | E.:G. Master Second Vail. |
| W. B. HIGDON..... | as E.:G. Master First Vail. |
| JOHN W. CAPPER..... | as E.: Grand Guard.* |

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.

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| ANGUS PATERSON. | WILLIAM H. JEWELL. |
| JAMES W. BOYD. | JAMES CARNELL. |
| IRVING E. WEBSTER. | MARCUS ENDEL. |

THOMAS S. WILMARTH. WILBER P. WEBSTER.
 SILAS B. WRIGHT. ELMER E. HASKELL.
 ALONZO M. CUSHMAN.

PAST DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

WARREN F. SCOTT.

PAST HIGH PRIESTS.

ARTHUR H. CARTER.....Halifax Chapter, No. 5.
 DANIEL D. BEEKMAN.....Halifax Chapter, No. 5.
 JOHN H. NORTON.....Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12.
 CLARENCE S. HAMMATT...Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12.

REPRESENTATIVES OF CONSTITUENT CHAPTERS.

Florida, No. 1.—Frank W. Armstrong, H. P.; D. M. Lutz, K.; J. J. Watson, S.
 Gainesville, No. 2.—W. B. Higdon, H. P.
 Tampa, No. 3.—John C. White, H. P.
 St. Johns, No. 4.—Thomas R. Webb, proxy for H. P.
 Halifax, No. 5.—W. G. Hobbs, H. P.; H. K. DuBois, S.
 Mt. Horeb, No. 6.—Joseph R. Keller, proxy for H. P.
 Eureka, No. 7.—Joseph Dawson, H. P.; W. R. O'Neal, King.
 Madison, No. 8.—M. G. Buck, H. P.
 Putnam, No. 9.—E. E. Haskell, H. P.
 Jasper, No. 10.—S. C. Hale, proxy for H. P.; F. B. Stone-
 man, proxy for K.; Dennis O'Neal, proxy for S.
 Jericho, No. 11.—James D. Girtman, H. P.
 Jacksonville, No. 12.—Will C. Andress, H. P.
 Inverness, No. 14.—George W. DeMuro, H. P.
 Monroe, No. 15.—J. E. Terwilleger, H. P.
 Plant City, No. 16.—John H. Weddell, H. P.
 St. Augustine, No. 17.—Henry W. Davis, proxy for High Priest.
 Lake Butler, No. 19.—F. M. Rivers, proxy for H. P.

Providence, No. 20.—J. W. Perry, proxy for H. P.
 Thomas Brown, No. 22.—F. G. Railey, proxy for H. P.;
 J. S. Wade, S.
 Nassau, No. 23.—Warren F. Scott, H. P.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN FLORIDA.

California.....William S. Ware.
 Connecticut.....William S. Ware.
 Delaware.....Wilber P. Webster.
 District of Columbia.....Silas B. Wright.
 Georgia.....John H. Norton.
 Illinois.....John H. Norton.
 Indian Territory.....Olin S. Wright.
 Iowa.....Silas B. Wright.
 Kansas.....Olin S. Wright.
 Kentucky.....James W. Boyd.
 Maine.....Elmer E. Haskell.
 Maryland.....James Carnell.
 Massachusetts.....Irving E. Webster.
 Minnesota.....Alonzo M. Cushman.
 Missouri.....James W. Boyd.
 New Jersey.....Warren F. Scott.
 New Mexico.....James Carnell.
 New York.....Marcus Endel.
 North Carolina.....Irving E. Webster.
 North Dakota.....Marcus Endel.
 Nova Scotia.....T. Picton Warlow.
 Oregon.....Harry N. Sweeting.
 Pennsylvania.....Louis C. Massey.
 Rhode Island.....B. H. Chadwick.
 South Carolina.....Warren F. Scott.
 South Dakota.....William H. Jewell.
 Texas.....Angus Paterson.
 Virginia.....Joseph R. Keller.
 Washington.....Silas B. Wright.

A constitutional number of Grand Officers and Representatives of Constituent Chapters being present, the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample form by the Grand High Priest, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The M. E. Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following committee on

RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS.

John H. Norton.
J. J. Watson, F. G. Railey.

Upon motion of M. E. A. M. Cushman the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Convocation was dispensed with, they having been printed and distributed, and they were adopted as printed.

Upon motion of Companion Webster, all Royal Arch Masons in good standing were invited to attend the sessions of this Grand Chapter.

A telegram was received from Companion J. MacDiarmid, Grand Master of the First Vail, stating that important business prevented his attendance.

A letter was received from Companion John M. Caldwell, H. P. Jasper Chapter No. 10, stating that he was detained by illness.

M. E. James W. Boyd stated that Companion Merritt, Grand Captain of the Host was unavoidably detained.

The Committee on Returns and Credentials made the following report which was received and adopted:

RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Returns and Credentials submit the following report:

The list of Grand Officers and Representatives of Constituent Chapters present as presented by the Grand Secretary at roll call is correct.

The following Chapters have made correct returns and paid their dues in full for 1904 within the time allowed, and are

therefore entitled to representation with per diem and mileage for representatives; Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25.

Monroe Chapter, No. 15, has made correct returns and overpaid \$3.00 on its dues.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN H. NORTON,
J. J. WATSON,
F. G. RAILEY,

Committee.

The M. E. Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following committees:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Frank W. Armstrong.
M. G. Buck, W. B. Higdon.

PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES.

Angus Paterson.
F. B. Stoneman, John H. Norton.

DISPENSATIONS AND BY LAWS.

William H. Jewell.
Will C. Andress, H. N. Sweeting.

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

James W. Boyd.
Silas B. Wright, Marcus Endel.
William H. Jewell, Elmer E. Haskell.
James Carnell, Irving E. Webster.

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

Silas B. Wright.
A. M. Cushman, C. S. Hammatt.

MEMORIALS.

John H. Weddell.
F. G. Railey, Warren F. Scott.

The M. E. Grand High Priest delivered the following address:

GRAND HIGH PRIEST'S ADDRESS.

Companions of the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida:

The fifty-ninth Annual Grand Convocation of this Grand Chapter is here assembled, and as I have traveled to attend it, not from my home, but after a prolonged sojourn in the Capital City, my thoughts revert as I look over this assemblage, to the little gathering of distinguished citizens and ardent companions, who in 1847 formed this Grand Chapter and held the first Grand Convocation in Tallahassee. Surely the spread of the Royal Craft in the State since their day is a proof that they laid the foundations of the second Temple well and that the great I AM, the God of our Fathers has gone with them and us. May we ever revere and praise His Great and Sacred Name.

The Craft during the past year has enjoyed peace and harmony and has made substantial gains in its membership, 1,209 Royal Arch Masons are on the rolls of the subordinate Chapters, showing a gain of 12 per cent, for the year. 20 per cent. of the Master Masons in the State are enrolled among the Chapters. But while we speak of the gains in membership, let us remember those who since our last Grand Convocation have passed into the great beyond, having lived, let us hope, with that purity of life and rectitude of conduct, by which alone, we can hope to gain admission into the Holy of Holies above.

On February 24, 1905, Most Excellent Companion John S. Driggs, Past Grand High Priest, in 1876 and 1877, departed this life. I issued as soon as practicable the following memorial.

M. E. Grand Chapter

Royal Arch Masons

State of Florida

Office of the M. E. Grand High Priest.

Orlando, Fla., May 1, A. L., 2435, A. D. 1905.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter and the Excellent High Priests, Officers and Members of the Chapters subordinate thereto, and to all Royal Arch Masons wheresoever dispersed.

Companions:

Death has again entered into our Grand Chapter and has removed from its earthly tabernacle the soul of our Most Excellent Companion

M. E. John S. Driggs

Past Grand High Priest

who departed this life in the City of Jacksonville on February 24, after an illness of eighteen years. Struck by paralysis in 1886, he was thenceforth withdrawn from activity in the business, political and Masonic worlds in which he had been prominent and was almost unknown to the younger generation of the craft, but to those who knew him he afforded a perfect example of cheerfulness and patience under a bodily affliction which overtook him at a time of life when he might still have looked for some further years of usefulness.

He was buried in Evergreen Cemetery, Jacksonville, on Sunday, February 26, 1905, by Solomon Lodge No. 20, F. & A. M., with Damascus Commandery No. 2 in full uniform, acting as escort.

M. E. Companion Driggs was born in New York in 1832, but removed to Jacksonville before he became of age. He became prominent politically and served as Clerk of the U. S. Courts, Deputy Collector of Customs and as Councilman of the City of Jacksonville.

He was a zealous Mason, becoming a member of Solomon Lodge No. 20, in 1860. In 1869 and 1870 he was the Worshipful Master of the Lodge.

He affiliated with Jacksonville R. A. Chapter No. 12 in 1869 and presided over it as Excellent High Priest in 1874 and 1875.

He was one of the charter members who organized Damascus Commandery K. T. No. 2 in 1870 and was its first Generalissimo. He was its Eminent Commander in 1873, 1874, 1875 and 1876 and also in 1884, 1885 and 1886.

In the Grand Chapter, Companion Driggs was installed Grand King in 1873; Deputy Grand High Priest in 1874, and Grand High Priest in 1876 and again in 1877.

As a tribute of respect to his memory it is ordered that this communication be read at the first Convocation of the several Subordinate Chapters after its receipt, and a minute made of the same and that the Jewels of such Chapters be draped in mourning for the space of thirty days.

Given under my hand and official seal the day and year first above written

LOUIS C. MASSEY,
Grand High Priest

Attest:

W. P. WEBSTER,
(Seal.) Grand Secretary.

Grand High Priest Hutchinson in his address last year informed the Grand Chapter that he had been unable to obtain the necessary data for a memorial to Past Grand High Priest William M. McIntosh, who died at Tallahassee on April 16th, 1904, and requested the incoming Grand High Priest to perform this duty. After infinite trouble on the part of our R. E. Grand Secretary, assisted by E. Comp. F. W. Armstrong of Tallahassee, I was enabled on July 5th, 1904, to send out the following:

**Most Excellent Grand Chapter
Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida**

Office of the Grand High Priest.

Orlando, Fla., July 5, 1904; A. I., 2434.

To the Officers and Members of the M. E. Grand Chapter, and the Officers and Members of the subordinate Chapters, and whomsoever it may concern:

Companions:

On April 16, A. D. 1904, at the city of Tallahassee, died our

M. E. Companion William M. McIntosh

Past Grand High Priest

whose services to our fraternity extended over so long a period that it has been difficult to get all the details of his Masonic life, hence the delay in issuing the notice of his death.

Companion McIntosh was born in Sumter County, South Carolina, on January 25, 1826. He was graduated as a civil engineer in Columbia, S. C., and was commissioned County Surveyor of Sumter County in 1847. He served in that capacity until 1854 when he removed to Gadsden County, Florida. In 1862 he removed to Tallahassee on being appointed Chief Clerk in the State Comptroller's office, which position he held until his death, a period of forty-two years, except two years during the Civil War when he was in the service of the Confederate States.

Companion McIntosh was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason in Columbia Lodge No. 27, at Lake City, Fla., in 1864. He was exalted to the august degree of Royal Arch Mason in Columbia R. A. Chapter No. 9, located at the same place, in 1865. In 1869 he affiliated with Jackson Lodge No. 1 and Florida R. A. Chapter No. 1, both located at Tallahassee, becoming the Secretary of each body the same year. He was Secretary of Jackson Lodge for thirty-five years, and died holding that office. Apparently he remained the Secretary of Florida Chapter No. 1 until 1887, when a new charter being granted to that Chapter, Companion McIntosh was named as the High Priest. He was elected King in 1888, 1889 and 1890; was again elected High Priest in 1891, and on retiring from that office, again became Secretary of the Chapter in 1892 and died having held the office for ten years.

He was anointed High Priest in the Florida Council of High Priesthood January 19, 1888; was Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter in 1871 and 1872; Grand King in 1888 and again in 1892; Deputy Grand High Priest in 1893 and Grand High Priest in 1894. At the close of his term as Grand High Priest in 1895 he was immediately elected Grand Chaplain and thereafter annually until 1902.

He was a member of the Presbyterian Church which he served faithfully, first as deacon and then as elder for a period of nearly forty years.

Companion McIntosh dies at the ripe age of seventy-eight years, having the answer of a good conscience toward God, and respected in the State, Fraternity and the Church alike for his blameless life, unwearied zeal and inflexible fidelity to his trust.

As a tribute to the memory of our departed Companion, let this notice be read at the next stated convocation of each subordinate Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction, let space be set apart in the minutes for its record, and let the usual emblems of mourning be displayed for thirty days.

Fraternally,
LOUIS C. MASSEY,
Grand High Priest.

Attest:

W. P. WEBSTER,
(Seal.) Grand Secretary.

Our subordinate Chapters have lost the following Companions who will no more meet with them.

- Florida No. 1.—William M. McIntosh, April 16.
- Gainesville No. 2.—Garrett F. Sickles, June 12.
- Gainesville No. 2.—James S. Turner, March 25.
- Tampa No. 3.—Burton E. Coe, May 22.
- Mount Horeb No. 6.—William Bazzell, February 10.
- Putnam No. 9.—William A. Evans, December 5.
- Jericho No. 11.—John R. Girtman, March 5.
- Jacksonville No. 12.—Octavius H. Dorsett, March 5.
- Monroe No. 15.—John J. Purdon, May 10.
- Lake Butler No. 19.—J. W. Dowling, June 10.

I have also received notice from our sister Grand Chapters of their bereavement in the deaths of the following Companions:

- Arizona—M. .E. .Companion James D. Monihon, P. G. H. P., died Sep. 1, 1904.
- California—M. .E. .Companion Thomas Flint, P. G. H. P., died June 20, 1904; M. .E. .Companion Lewis C. Weltenmyer, P. G. H. P., died Nov. 17, 1904.
- Colorado—M. .E. .Companion Geo. T. Cooper, P. G. H. P., died June 20, 1904; M. .E. .Companion David R. Crosby, G. H. P., died Oct. 30, 1904.
- Illinois—M. .E. .Companion Wm. Lindsay Orr, P. G. H. P., and our representative near the Grand Chapter of Illinois, died April 2, 1905.
- Kansas—R. .E. .Companion Jacob D. Rush, P. G. K., died October 26, 1904.
- Maryland—M. .E. .Companion Chas. F. Achey, P. G. H. P., died May 29, 1904; R. .E. .Companion Wm. A. Wentz, P. D. G. H. P., died March 29, 1904.
- Michigan—M. .E. .Companion Jno. L. Mitchell, P. G. H. P., died July 10, 1904; M. .E. .Companion David C. Spaulding, P. G. H. P., died July 14, 1904.
- North Carolina—R. .E. .Companion Ferdinand Which, P. G. K., died August 7, 1904.

North Dakota—M. .E. .Companion Leonard A. Rose, P. G. H. P., died Dec. 8, 1904.

Pennsylvania—M. .E. .Companion Richard M. Johnson, P. G. H. P., died August 16, 1904; M. .E. .Companion Geo. C. Wagner, Senior, P. G. H. P., died September 30, 1904.

Quebec—M. .E. .Companion Albert D. Nelson, Grand Treasurer, died December 26, 1904.

Rhode Island—M. .E. .Companion John M. Nye, P. G. H. P., died April 20, 1904.

Tennessee—M. .E. .Companion Chas. V. Taylor, Grand Captain of the Host, died April 22, 1904.

Texas—M. .E. .Companion Robt. M. Harkness, P. G. H. P., died March 30 1904; M. .E. .Companion Rufus O. Rounsavall, P. G. H. P., died July 20, 1904.

West Virginia—M. .E. .Companion Wm. H. H. Flick, P. G. H. P., died June 7, 1904.

Wisconsin—M. .E. .Companion Oliver Libbey, P. G. H. P., died December 26, 1904.

They rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

I have appointed on the recommendation of the M. E. Grand High Priest of Illinois, Comp. Wm. B. Carlock, to be the representative of this Grand Chapter near the Grand Chapter of Illinois, and I have recommended to the M. E. Grand High Priests the following Companions to be the representatives of other Grand Chapters near the Grand Chapter of Florida.

Connecticut—R. .E. .Companion William S. Ware.

Nova Scotia—E. .Companion T. Picton Warlow.

Ohio—E. .Companion Z. T. Merritt.

South Carolina—R. .E. .Companion Warren F. Scott.

Wisconsin—E. .Companion Lucien A. Spencer.

MADISON CHAPTER.

I regret to report that on November 29, 1904, Madison Chapter No. 8 lost by fire not only its Masonic Hall, but also its furniture and Charter. On December 7, I directed the Grand Secretary to make a certified copy of the Charter and transmit it to Madison Chapter No. 8, which was accordingly done.

DISPENSATIONS.

I have granted the following dispensations and in each case have remitted the fees.

December 7, 1904. To Madison Chapter No. 8 to meet in any secure and convenient place in Madison until a permanent Chapter room could be secured.

December 17, 1904. To Live Oak Chapter No. 25, to hold an election for officers on December 23, their regular annual Convocation at which the election should have been held, having failed for want of a quorum. I granted this dispensation because I found that such had been the practice of my predecessors, but I believe it to be wholly unnecessary to procure a dispensation for such purpose, Article I., Section 22 of the Constitution permits the subordinate Chapters to elect their officers after the regular annual Convocation, if for any reason the election or the Convocation is not held.

February 2, 1905. To Florida Chapter No. 1, to elect and install a High Priest, the Companion elected to that office having declined installation.

December 17, 1904. I refused a dispensation to Live Oak Chapter No. 25 to permit it to confer the Chapter degrees on a brother who lives at Lake City, and consequently was within the jurisdiction of Providence Chapter No. 20. This was a meritorious case, if there could be one under such circumstances. The brother was anxious to receive the degrees; Providence Chapter had not met in Convocation for a year, and as it seemed unlikely a quorum could be secured, the High Priest himself, was

willing to further the brother's cause by joining in the application. Of course, under the Constitution the dispensation could not be granted, but it is worthy of consideration, whether the Grand High Priest shall not be invested with the power to grant such a dispensation when a brother's laudable ambition for promotion in Masonry is barred by the neglect of a Chapter to hold its required Convocations. The law ought to exist for the benefit of active, not of negligent or moribund Chapters.

BY-LAWS.

On May 2, 1905, I approved an amendment to the by-laws of Gainesville Chapter No. 2, changing the regular Convocation from the 4th Monday, to the third Friday of each month at 7:30 p. m.

MARKING OF THE ARK.

After a long delay the proceedings of the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter held at Little Rock in 1903, were at last received, and we were thereby enabled to get the proper marking for the Arks. I directed the Grand Secretary to notify the several subordinate Chapters of the standard marking, and he accordingly sent out a notice, endorsed by me, which is here re-produced in order that the marking may appear upon the records of this Grand Chapter.

MASONIC TEMPLE

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

February 1, A. I. 2435, A. D. 1905.

To all Excellent High Priests and all Subordinate R. A. Chapters under the jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida:

Whereas, the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America did at its Thirty-second Triennial Convocation held in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, in the month of October, A. I. 2433, A. D. 1903 adopt markings for the ends and sides of the Ark used in the R. A. Degree as follows:

FRONT
BACK
RIGHT END
LEFT END


And Whereas, the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the State of Florida did on the 18th day of May A. I. 2434 A. D. 1904 enact that the recommendation of the said Gen. Gr. Chapter as to the lettering on the ends and sides of the said Ark be adopted and that all Subordinate Chapters be required to conform thereto upon notification by the Grand Secretary of the proper lettering:

Now this is to Notify you that the foregoing lettering is the proper lettering to be used on the ends and sides of the said Ark in your respective Chapters and that under the edict of the Grand Chapter you are required to conform thereto as soon as the same can possibly be done.

Yours fraternally,

W. P. WEBSTER,
Grand Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST

Orlando, Fla., February 1, A. I. 2435, A. D. 1905.

The foregoing notice by the Grand Secretary is hereby approved and the several Subordinate Chapters are hereby required to report to the next Grand Chapter that they have conformed to its requirements.

LOUIS C. MASSEY,
Grand High Priest.

I do not believe that there was an Ark in the Grand Jurisdiction, the marking of which could be deciphered by any method of reading the cryptogram. I was pleased to note a few nights ago, that the Ark of Florida Chapter No. 1 had been marked in accordance with the standard. With the top triangular plates sent out some time since by the Grand Secretary, there is now no excuse for irregularity in the Arks.

OLD JEFFERSON CHAPTER.

Jefferson Chapter No. 5, located at Monticello was chartered only two years after the formation of the Grand Chapter, and became dormant about 1879. Four of the Companions, who were in its roll at the time it ceased working are still alive and living in or near Monticello, among them, our revered Companion Samuel Pasco, Past Deputy Grand High Priest, with whom I have been in correspondence on the subject of this Chapter. Much interest in capitular Masonry is now manifested in Monticello, and a number of other Companions living there

Solomon. An elaborate banquet followed with interesting addresses by several Companions.

June, 2, 1904, I went to Braidentown for the purpose of constituting Manatee River Chapter No. 18, which was chartered at the last Annual Grand Convocation. I constituted the Chapter with 33 members, and acted as Deputy Grand High Priest, and Companion L. A. Spencer, as Grand Captain of the Host. I can testify to the hospitality and kindness of the Companions belonging to this new Chapter. There was need for a new Chapter, and Manatee River Chapter has a fine opportunity before it.

June 27, 1904, I visited West Palm Beach, constituted Lake Worth Chapter No. 24, which was chartered at the last Annual Grand Convocation, and installed the principal officers. My time at this point was very limited, as I was obliged to push on to Miami, but the Companions did all in their power to render my visit agreeable.

June 28, 1904, I visited Jericho Chapter No. 11 at Miami, and advanced one candidate to the honorary degree of Mark Master. An enjoyable social entertainment followed. This Chapter is in flourishing condition.

February 23, 1905, I visited Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, and witnessed the exaltation of three brethren to that degree of Royal Arch Mason. It happened that Companion Wm. S. Ware, R. E. Grand Scribe, visited the same evening this Chapter which is within his district.

March 9, 1905, I visited Halifax Chapter No. 5 at Daytona. There was no work on hand, but this Chapter received many compliments for its work from visiting Companions who are winter residents of Daytona. I wish to express my thanks to the Companions, who, notwithstanding a severe storm, came to the Chapter to receive their Grand High Priest. A collation followed the closing of the Chapter.

are members of Florida Chapter No. 1 at Tallahassee. All are desirous of having the old Charter which still is in Monticello, restored to them, together with the furniture, and jewels of the Chapter, and I recommend that if they make such application at this Grand Convocation, their request be granted and that they be permitted to work under the old Charter with a new number, notwithstanding the fact that nine Companions do not apply for the Chapter at the time it ceased working, do not apply for the restoration. There is nothing in the Constitution which forbids such action. Florida Chapter No. 1, the nearest Chapter to Monticello, has given its consent of a new Charter, if found necessary.

VISITATIONS.

In accordance with the regulation, I divided the subordinate Chapters into districts for the purpose of visitation, and assigned to the

Grand High Priest, St. Johns No. 4, Halifax No. 5, Eureka No. 7, Putnam No. 9, Jericho No. 11, Monroe No. 15, Manatee River No. 18, and Lake Worth No. 24.

Deputy Grand High Priest, Tampa No. 3, Inverness No. 14, Plant City No. 16, Island No. 21, and Thomas Brown No. 22.

Grand King, Florida No. 1, Mount Horeb No. 6, Madison No. 8, and Live Oak No. 25.

Grand Scribe, Gainesville No. 17, Lake Butler No. 19, Providence No. 20, and Nassau No. 23.

On May 26, 1904, I visited Eureka Chapter No. 7, at Orlando. This, my own Chapter, had requested that I pay it my first official visit. There was the largest attendance I had ever seen in the Chapter. Three candidates were advanced to the honorary degree of Mark Master and afterwards inducted into the oriental chair of King

March 14, 1905. I visited Monroe Chapter No. 15 at Sanford, and witnessed the conferring of the Mark Master and the Past Master degrees. The membership of this Chapter is largely made up of railroad men, whose duty calls them from home, and great credit due to the Companions who, notwithstanding discouragements, keep alive an active interest in the Chapter.

March 22, 1905, I visited St. Johns Chapter No. 4 at DeLand. The attendance was small owing to an entertainment at the University, but we opened the Chapter and I made a short address.

April 10, 1905, I visited Florida Chapter No. 1 at Tallahassee, and conferred the Royal Arch degree on three brethren. Like our R. E. Grand King, within whose district this Chapter is, I was surprised to see the Principal Sojourner's work, during the exaltation, performed by Companion Gamble, who is in his 93d year, and has been a member of this Chapter since 1852. A banquet followed the closing of the Chapter.

This Chapter has had a remarkable increase in applications for membership. Although I have exalted for them eight brethren during the past month, there are still 19 waiting for the degrees. The oldest Chapter in the State is fortunate in having a long list of young and enthusiastic Companions.

The R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest reports as follows:

In compliance with your order and designation, I have visited the Chapters assigned to me.
 Tampa Chapter No. 3, conferred the Mark degree on February 2; has 84 members, with some work on hand. Has invested \$500 in bonds, and has \$300 in bank. Does good work. Inverness Chapter, No. 14, has 38 members, with 11 candidates elected. Has \$239 in bank. They worked the night of my visit. Excellent degrees on three candidates the night of my visit.
 Plant City Chapter, No. 16, has 76 members, and five candidates elected; has just purchased some new paraphernalia.
 Thomas Brown, No. 22, has suffered severely on account of death and removal of some of the active members; but those remaining have taken hold with such zeal, that I am convinced

this Chapter will continue in the front rank for good work and moral excellence.

As your representative, I was informally received with the greatest courtesy.

I also desire to report that I have not been able to discover any dissensions among the Royal Craft that I have visited.

Wishing you health and prosperity, I am fraternally,

Yours very truly,

OLIN S. WRIGHT,
 Deputy Grand H. P.

The R. E. Grand King reports:

April 28, 1905.

I beg herewith to submit report of my visits to the several Chapters as per your instructions.

During the past year I have visited Mt. Horeb, No. 6, of this city, both officially and otherwise, and have to report that the work as done and exemplified by this Chapter is very good and as their numbers are being increased steadily, it is a question of a very short time before the work will be rendered almost faultless. Lack of time prevents more detailed accounts of the doings of this Chapter, but same will be shown in full on annual returns.

On March 27th, I had the great pleasure of visiting Florida Chapter, No. 1, at Tallahassee, Fla., and witnessed the work of the Royal Arch degree, and same was done in a very creditable and pleasing manner; I found these Companions very enthusiastic over the bright prospect before them, several applications being in hand, and more in view.

With renewed activity on the part of some of their members this Chapter could easily become one of the best working Chapters in the state. One of the most conscientious members of Florida Chapter is Maj. Robert Gamble, who though, ninety-three years of age, walked nearly three-quarters of a mile to and from the Lodge room to be present at the meeting and as Principal Sojourner rendered that portion of the work in such a perfect manner, as would embarrass many of us who are younger in years.

I was most cordially received and entertained by the Companions, and I take this method of again expressing to them my heartfelt thanks for many acts of kindness and consideration for my welfare and comfort.

I was also requested to visit Madison Chapter, No. 8, but owing to a most unfortunate accident at my place of business at the time I contemplated visiting them, was prevented from so doing, and no seasonable opportunity has presented itself since that would warrant the making of an official visit, and just what the condition of this Chapter is, I have had no opportunity of ascertaining.

With kindest personal regards to you, and congratulating you upon the marked increase, both in membership, and re-

newed vigor that seems to have extended over this Jurisdiction, under your able and wise direction, I beg to remain,
Yours cordially and fraternally,
J. R. KELLER,
Grand King.

The R. E. Grand Scribe reports:

April, 13, 1905.

M.:E.:Companion:

In compliance with your order of May 24, 1904, regarding visitations, I have visited all the Chapters assigned to me as follows:

On February 7, 1905, in company with Companion W. C. Address, H. P., of Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, we visited Providence Chapter, No. 20, at Lake City and found the Companions somewhat discouraged by a lack of interest, but we assisted in conferring all the degrees on two brethren, so have three others elected, but the membership is scattered. We encouraged them to make an effort to get local brethren interested. With patience, I feel that the interest can be revived.

I attend Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, nearly every meeting, but paid an official visit on February 23rd. As you were present, I will not report further than the Chapter is in a flourishing condition, being compelled to hold special meetings to keep up with the work.

February 27th, I visited Gainesville Chapter, No. 2. There was a goodly number present. I witnessed the conferring of the Past and Most Excellent Master degrees in a most creditable manner.

February 28th, I visited St. Augustine Chapter, No. 17. There was a good number of Companions present and I assisted in conferring the Mark and Past degrees on two candidates. This Chapter is in a flourishing condition.

March 2nd, I visited Jasper Chapter, No. 10. High Priest Caldwell being sick, I assisted in conferring all the degrees on a full team.

April 6th, I visited Lake Butler, No. 19. I was not aware that their meetings took place at 10 a. m., and as I did not arrive there until evening, I failed to meet with them officially, but I had a pleasant chat with the High Priest and Secretary. They report some work in sight, good financial condition and general prosperity.

April 11th, I visited Nassau, No. 23. There were twelve Companions present. There was no work but two petitions were received, and they have another team ready for the Most Excellent. The Lodge room is one of the neatest I have ever entered, and there is a bright outlook for Nassau, No. 23.

I regret to notice in some Chapters a lack of interest in the ritualistic work and a tendency to use the beautiful degrees as a stepping stone to other degrees. This should not be, as

some of the most sublime teachings in Masonry are contained within the Chapter degrees.

Some of the Companions deserve great credit for the unflinching interest they take in the work, but they need our encouragement, and I believe it would be to the interest of the Grand Chapter if the representatives arrange to have a Chapter day at the time of their visitation, especially the country Chapters.

Fraternally submitted,

W. S. WARE,

Grand Scribe.

On March 16, 1905, having learned that Companion Silas B. Wright, P. G. H. P., was in the City of Key West, I telegraphed to him an appointment as my special deputy to visit Island Chapter No. 21.

The following is his report:

April 5, 1904.

M.:E.:Sir and Companion: I have the honor to report that pursuant to your commission, I visited Island Chapter, No. 21, at their regular convocation on Thursday, March 16th.

I was royally and properly received with the honors due to you and the holder of your special deputation. The special and personal honors and social pleasures provided for me will always be remembered as a red letter day among the many visitations it has been my privilege to make.

I find the Chapter just recovering from a season filled with many setbacks and with the promise of a bright future before it.

I was assured by the Companions that I was able to do them much good and to set them straight in many ritualistic matters as well.

Thanking you for your appointment and the honor and confidence as expressed therein, I have the honor to be,
Fraternally and truly yours,

SILAS B. WRIGHT,

RECOMMENDATIONS.

While on the whole we have great cause for congratulation in the present condition of the Chapters, there are several good causes of criticism.

I deplore the tendency in some Chapters to rely less upon the memory of the officers than in other means. There exist to-day the means of ready perfection in the ritual, which is always more impressive to the candidate

when properly rendered than when rendered in an irregular manner. I recommend as other Grand High Priests before me have done, that a regulation be passed on this subject.

I regret also, to note that in the past few years many Companions seem to regard the Chapter Room at Conventions as proper place for smoking. I am no enemy of tobacco, but I confess that I never enter a Chapter where the air is filled with smoke or see during every period of the work a number of Companions light cigars or perhaps pipes, without a feeling that they have not considered the incongruity of their action. In the progress of a ritual in which there are many prayers and invocations to the Almighty, it is surely only less irreverent to smoke than it would be in church, and it is also to be remembered that those to whom smoking is objectionable, of whom I am not one, are entitled to have their rights considered. Nor do I think that it tends to the candidate's proper perception of the true character of the degrees on which he is entering, to have him introduced into a room which resembles a smoking room, rather than a consecrated Chapter Room of Royal Arch Masonry. I can remember when this practice was of rare occurrence, but it has been growing apace of late years, and I recommend, in order to maintain a high standard, that this Grand Chapter take action on the subject.

I call your attention to that part of the R. E. Grand Scribe's report which relates to the tendency on the part of some "to use the beautiful degrees as a stepping stone to other degrees." This accords with my own experience. Within the past few days, I heard a young brother say that he was only a Blue Lodge Mason and did not want any more Masonic degrees, but had to take them in order to enter the Mystic Shrine. In my opinion, such a candidate should be halted on the threshold of the Royal Arch, until he has learned that its degrees do not exist for the purpose of rendering candidates eligible for membership

in another body which has no necessary connection with Masonry.

Companions: I have given you the account of our doings in the last capitular year. I trust it will meet your approval. If you should think that anything has been omitted, I beg you will remember that all the officers of your Grand Council are busy men of affairs, but also men who are willing to devote such part of their time, as they can spare, to the advancement of their beloved Craft; and as I step down from the responsible position in which you have placed me, I ask the kindly regard and fraternal affection of each and all of my Companions.

LOUIS C. MASSEY,
Grand High Priest.

Upon motion of Companion Scott the Grand High Priest's Address was referred to a special committee of three for distribution of subjects.

The R. E. Deputy Grand High Priest appointed as such committee, Companions James Carnell, John C. White and Will C. Andress.

The Grand Secretary made the following report which was referred to the Special committee for distribution:

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:
Companions:

I have to report matters pertaining to the Grand Secretary's office for the past year as follows:

Four hundred and fifty copies of the proceedings of our last Annual Convocation were printed and distributed in the usual manner.

By order of the M. E. Grand High Priest a commission has been prepared and forwarded to William B. Carlock, of Bloomington, Ill., as the representative of this Grand Chapter in that Jurisdiction.

Commissions as representatives have been received and delivered to the following Companions:

William S. Ware, from the Grand Chapter of Connecticut; Melleville W. Carruth, of Tampa, from the Grand Chapter of Indiana; T. Picton Warlow, of Orlando, from the Grand Chapter of Nova Scotia; Z. T. Merritt, of Buena Vista, from the Grand Chapter of Ohio; Warren F. Scott, of Fernandina, from the Grand Chapter of South Carolina; William H. Cyrus, of Palatka, from the Grand Chapter of Vermont; Lucien A. Spencer, of Orlando, from the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin.

As directed by you last year, ten Past Grand High Priests' jewels properly inscribed have been procured and are now ready for presentation to the Past Grand High Priests as designated by the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

Madison Chapter, No. 8, having had the misfortune to lose its paraphernalia and charter by fire on November 29th last, a certified copy of its charter was issued on December 9th by order of the M. E. Grand High Priest.

Our net gain in membership during the year 1904 is 129, not quite as much as during the year 1903, but our Chapters seem to be generally prosperous and all have made returns within the limit as per our regulations and all have paid dues in full for 1904.

Monroe Chapter, No. 15, has overpaid \$3. Madison Chapter, No. 8, has paid nothing on its back dues and still owes a balance of \$44.30.

A supply of brass plates for our "Arks" has been procured as authorized and many of our Chapters have been supplied with them. We still have a supply on hand for those that need them.

As our Grand Chapter is now in better shape, financially, I would suggest that it might be advisable to make an appropriation for having the books in our library bound and also to get some better book cases.

Fraternally submitted,
 W. P. WEBSTER,
 Grand Secretary.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

W. P. Webster, Grand Secretary,
 To the Grand Chapter of Florida:

Dr.	
To Back Dues, Ocala Chapter No. 13.....	\$ 4.00
To Rent Grand Commandery Library.....	22.00
To Dues Florida Chapter, No. 1.....	34.00
To Dues Gainesville Chapter, No. 2.....	82.00
To Dues Tampa Chapter, No. 3.....	92.00
To Dues St. Johns Chapter, No. 4.....	30.00
To Dues Halifax Chapter, No. 5.....	76.00
To Dues Mt. Horeb Chapter No. 6.....	86.00
To Dues Bureka Chapter, No. 7.....	59.00
To Dues Madison Chapter, No. 8.....	12.00
To Dues Putnam Chapter, No. 9.....	29.00
To Dues Jasper Chapter, No. 10.....	32.00
To Dues Jericho Chapter, No. 11.....	56.00
To Dues Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12.....	171.00
To Dues Inverness Chapter, No. 14.....	41.00
To Dues Monroe Chapter, No. 15.....	37.00
To Dues Plant City Chapter, No. 16.....	72.00
To Dues St. Augustine Chapter, No. 17.....	42.00
To Dues Manatee River Chapter, No. 18.....	37.00
To Dues Lake Butler Chapter, No. 19.....	55.00
To Dues Providence Chapter, No. 20.....	27.00
To Dues Island Chapter, No. 21.....	26.00
To Dues Thomas Brown Chapter, No. 22.....	49.00
To Dues Nassau Chapter, No. 23.....	31.00
To Dues Lake Worth Chapter, No. 24.....	39.00
To Dues Live Oak Chapter, No. 25.....	56.00
To Sold Plates for Arks.....	9.90—\$1,306

Cr.	
January 10, By Paid Grand Treasurer.....	\$247.00
February 2, By Paid Grand Treasurer.....	386.00
March 13, By Paid Grand Treasurer.....	357.00
March 28, By Paid Grand Treasurer.....	234.00
May 8, By Paid Grand Treasurer.....	44.00
May 9, By Paid Grand Treasurer.....	38.00—\$1,306

Books and vouchers are herewith submitted for approval.

W. P. WEBSTER,
 Grand Secretary.

The Grand Treasurer made the following report which was received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts:

REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 9, 1905.

Marcus Endel, Grand Treasurer,

In account with the Grand Chapter, R. A. M. of Florida.

Dr.	
May 18, 1904, To Balance on hand as per last report.....	\$1,810.13
May 21, 1904, To Received from Grand Secretary.....	22.00
January 10, 1905, To Received from Grand Secretary..	247.00
February 2, 1905, To Received from Grand Secretary..	386.00
March 18, 1905, To Received from Grand Secretary.....	357.00
March 28, 1905, To Received from Grand Secretary.....	234.00
May 8, 1905, To Received from Grand Secretary.....	44.00
May 9, 1905, To Received from Grand Secretary.....	38.00
May 9, 1905, To Received interest from Com. bank.....	34.08
Total	\$3,172.21

Cr.	
May 18, 1904, By Pay-roll.....	\$ 325.60
May 9, 1905, By paid vouchers attached.....	681.40
Balance on hand	2,165.21
Total	\$3,172.21

The balance on hand is placed as follows:
 Commercial Bank, special deposit.....\$1,375.49
 National Bank of Jacksonville..... 789.72—\$2,165.21
 Fraternally submitted,
MARCUS ENDEL,
 Grand Treasurer.

The M. E. Grand High Priest presented jewels to the following Past Grand High Priests:
 Silas B. Wright, William H. Jewell, Wilber P. Webster, James Carnell, Elmer E. Haskell and Alonzo M. Cushman.
 As Past Grand High Priest Enos Wasgate is now living in Boston, Mass., the Grand Secretary was directed to arrange for the presentation of his jewel in some Chapter most convenient to him.

The motion of Past Grand High Priest Carnell prevailed, that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to resume labor at 2 o'clock p. m.

Upon motion of Past Grand High Priest Jewell the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence was directed to report a regulation providing for the Annual election of officers without nominations.

A petition was received from Jefferson Chapter for restoration of charter, and referred to the Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

Tuesday, May 9, 2 p. m.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. E. Grand High Priest, with officers and members as at morning session.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The Committee on Distribution made the following report which was received and adopted:

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:
 Your committee to whom the address of the M. E. Grand High Priest was referred for distribution of subjects, beg leave to report as follows:

That so much thereof as refers to the fraternal dead be referred to the Committee on Memorials.

That so much thereof as refers to dispensations granted and by-laws amended be referred to the Committee on Dispensations and By-laws.

That so much thereof as refers to the decisions of the M. E. Grand High Priest and also his recommendations as to use of rituals and smoking in Chapter rooms, be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

That the report of the Grand Secretary be referred to the Committee on Finance and Accounts.

Your committee desire to call attention to the prodigious amount of labor performed by our M. E. Grand High Priest, that he has given much of his valuable time to visiting the Chapters of this Grand Jurisdiction, that he has been watchful of every interest of his Grand Chapter and is entitled to and should receive the thanks of this Grand Chapter for his excellent administration of its affairs during the past Capitular year.

Fraternally submitted
 JAMES CARNELL
 JOHN C. WHITE,
 WILL C. ADDRESS,
Committee.

Upon motion the Grand Secretary was authorized to draw a warrant for three dollars (\$3.00) in favor of Monroe Chapter, No. 15, to correct returns.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report which was received and adopted:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Unfinished Business have carefully had under consideration the proceedings of the last Annual Grand Convocation and find no unfinished business except the proposed amendment to Article II, Section 43 of the Constitution appearing therein, and to which we direct the attention of the Grand Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,
 F. W. ARMSTRONG,
 M. G. BUCK,
 W. B. HIGDON,
Committee.

Upon motion the following amendment to the Constitution was unanimously adopted:

AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION.

Article II, Section 43.—A Chapter shall not confer the degrees upon a candidate who resides nearer some other Chapter, Provided, That the M. E. Grand Chapter, R. A. M. of Florida, recognizes concurrent jurisdiction with the M. E. Grand Chapter of Georgia of all material residing at or near the boundary line between Florida and Georgia, whereby a petition of one residing in such locality may be presented in the nearest Chapter; and concurrent jurisdiction with the M. E. Grand Chapter of Alabama, over all material residing within five miles of the state line, provided there be no organized Chapter of his own Jurisdiction within ten (10) miles of the petitioner's residence.

Upon motion the Committee on Work was authorized to exemplify such degrees as they deemed best.

The Grand King reported having presented a jewel to Past Grand High Priest, William E. Anderson, in Mt. Horeb Chapter, No. 6, as directed by the Grand Chapter at its last Annual Convocation.

The motion of Past Grand High Priest Carnell prevailed that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to reassemble at 7:30 p. m., to visit Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, to witness the exemplification of the Work by the Committee on Work.

The Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws made the following report:

DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:

We, your committee to whom was referred the petition of four companions, formerly members of Jefferson Royal Arch Chapter, No. 5, now dormant, together with six other companions in good standing, asking that this Grand Chapter do restore to said petitioners the old charter, known as Jefferson Royal Arch Chapter, No. 5, or in the event that it can not be done, to authorize said petitioners to form and open a Royal Arch Chapter under dispensation to be known as Jefferson Royal Arch Chapter U. D., beg leave to report as to restoring the charter to four Companions of Jefferson Chapter, it appearing that there would not be a quorum to do business in receiving and acting upon petitions for the degrees or for other business, nine members of the Chapter being required, it seems not within the power of this Grand Chapter to grant so much of the request of the petitioners.

As to granting a new charter to the petitioners for a new Chapter with the same name as the old Chapter with a new number your committee would say that by reason of the fact that the Constitution of this Grand Chapter, in Section 19, of Article II, provides that "no charter shall issue to a Chapter until such Chapter shall have given proof of its skill by labor under dispensation for at least three months," the granting of a charter at this time seems not within the power of this Grand Body.

We therefore recommend that the M. E. Grand High Priest, or his successor, do issue a proper dispensation to such petitioners at the earliest opportunity, this appearing to be all that can be done in their behalf at this time.

Your committee further report that the dispensations granted by the M. E. Grand High Priest to Madison Chapter to hold its meetings in some suitable place until a permanent place can be

obtained; to Live Oak Chapter to hold an election other than at the usual time—although such dispensation appears to be unnecessary—and to Florida Chapter to elect and install a High Priest, are recommended for approval.

Your committee further recommends the case referred to in the address of the M. E. Grand High Priest, relating to Live Oak Chapter, where a dispensation was refused to that Chapter to confer the degrees upon a brother living in the jurisdiction of Providence Chapter at Lake City, but owing to the inability of said Chapter to secure a convocation the jurisdiction could not be waived, be referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence for their consideration.

The action of the M. E. Grand High Priest in the matter of By-laws of Gainesville Chapter is also approved.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM H. JEWELL,
H. N. SWEETING,
WILL C. ANDRESS,
Committee.

Upon motion the above report was adopted with the exception of that portion referring to Jefferson Chapter, action upon this portion being deferred.

The Committee on Propositions and Grievances made the following report which was received and adopted:

PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:
Your Committee on Propositions and Grievances would fraternally report that there has been nothing referred to us to act upon, and that peace and harmony seem to prevail throughout our Grand Jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted,

ANGUS PATERSON,
F. B. STONEMAN,
J. H. NORTON,
Committee.

The following resolution was presented by Past Grand High Priest Paterson and was referred to the Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws.

Resolved, That the petition of the Royal Arch Masons of Monticello be granted and that they be permitted to work under their old charter, and that the said Chapter be in all respects revived except the number, which is lost, and that all back dues be remitted, Provided that they do no work until rehabilitated by the M. E. Grand High Priest or his authority.

The M. E. Grand High Priest presented a jewel to Past Grand High Priest Thomas S. Wilmarth, who was not present to receive it at the morning session.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence made the following report which was adopted:

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence recommend the adoption of the following regulation: "The annual election of officers in this Grand Chapter shall be held without nominations."

Fraternally submitted,

JAMES W. BOYD,
SILAS B. WRIGHT,
MARCUS ENDEL,
WILLIAM H. JEWELL,
ELMER E. HASKELL,
JAMES CARNELL,
IRVING E. WEBSTER,
Committee.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

Tuesday, May 9, 7:30 p. m.

The Grand Chapter visited Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, and witnessed the exemplification of the Work in the Mark Master, Past Master and Most Excellent Master, degrees, after which it resumed labor.

Minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

The M. E. Grand High Priest presented a jewel to Past Grand High Priest Irving E. Webster, he not having been present at the morning session.

The motion of Companion Keller prevailed that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to resume labor at 9:30 a. m.

Upon motion of Past Grand High Priest Wright the annual election of officers was made the first order of business Wednesday morning.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

Wednesday, May 10, 9:30 a. m.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. .E. .Grand High Priest with officers and members as at previous sessions.

The minutes of the evening session were read and approved.

The hour for the annual election of officers having arrived the M. .E. .Grand High Priest appointed Companions Stoneman and Watson as Tellers and the Grand Chapter proceeded with the election with the following result:

ELECTION.

Olin S. Wright, elected . . . M. .E. .Grand High Priest.
 Joseph R. Keller, elected . . . R. .E. .Dep. G. H. Priest.
 William S. Ware, elected . . . R. .E. .Grand King
 F. W. Armstrong, elected . . . R. .E. .Grand Scribe.
 Marcus Endel, re-elected . . . R. .E. .Grand Treasurer.
 W. P. Webster, re-elected . . . R. .E. .Grand Secretary.
 John H. Weddell, re-elected . . . R. .R. .Grand Chaplain.

The Committee on Dispensations and By-Laws made the following report, which upon motion was rejected:

DISPENSATIONS AND BY-LAWS.

To the M. .E. .Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your Committee on Dispensations and By-laws to whom was referred the resolution offered by M. .E. .Companion Paterson, beg leave to report, that after due consideration your committee recommend that said resolution be not adopted, believing it to be against good Capitular law and usage, but your com-

mittee respectfully refer the resolution and the petition of the Monticello Companions to the final consideration and determination of this Grand Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM H. JEWELL,
 H. N. SWEETING,
 WILL C. ADDRESS,
Committee.

The resolution as presented by M. .E. .Companion Paterson was taken up and upon motion was adopted as follows:

Resolved, That the petition of the Royal Arch Masons of Monticello be granted and that they be permitted to work under their old charter, and that the said Chapter be in all respects revived except the number which is lost, and that all back dues be remitted, provided that they do no work until rehabilitated by the M. .E. .Grand High Priest or his authority.

The motion of Past Grand High Priest Wright prevailed that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to resume labor at 4 o'clock p. m., and that the installation of officers be the first order of business.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

Wednesday, May 10, 4 p. m.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. .E. .Grand High Priest with officers and members as at morning session.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Upon the request of the retiring Grand High Priest, Past Grand High Priest Irving E. Webster, with the assistance of Past Grand High Priest William H. Jewell as Grand Marshal, installed the following Grand officers:

INSTALLATION.

Olin S. Wright.....M. .E. .Grand High Priest.
 Joseph R. Keller.....R. .E. .Dep. G. H. Priest.
 William S. Ware.....R. .E. .Grand King.
 Frank W. Armstrong.....R. .E. .Grand Scribe.

The Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Grand Chaplain having been re-elected their installation was not necessary at this time.

The M. .E. .Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following Grand officers:

T. Picton Warlow.....E. .Gr. Captain of the Host.
 Warren F. Scott.....E. .Gr. Prin. Sojourner.
 George W. DeMuro.....E. .Gr. Royal Arch Capt.
 J. E. Terwilleger.....E. .Gr. Mas. Third Vail.
 John C. White.....E. .Gr. Mas. Second Vail.
 William G. Hobbs.....E. .Gr. Mas. First Vail.
 John W. Capper.....E. .Gr. Guard.

All of whom were duly installed into their respective offices.

The Committee on Finance and Accounts made the following report which was received and adopted:

FINANCE AND ACCOUNTS.

To the M. .E. .Grand Chapter of Florida:
 Your Committee on Finance and Accounts beg leave to report:

The books and vouchers of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer have been examined and compared and found correct. The balance to the credit of the special savings fund now amounts to \$1,375.49, which we recommend to be continued on special deposit at interest, and that the Grand Treasurer be requested to add such further sums from the general funds as he may think can be safely spared. The balance now in the general fund available for current expenses amounts to \$789.72.

For current expenses of the Grand Chapter we recommend the following appropriations: \$317.85
 For Pay-roll attached..... 200.00
 For Salary of Grand Secretary..... 100.00
 For rent Library room..... 50.00
 For Book cases and binding.....

We recommend that the Grand Secretary, with the consent of the Grand High Priest, be authorized to draw warrants for such amounts as may be necessary, for printing, stationery, post-

age and other incidentals for the use of the Grand High Priest, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary and for the expenses of this Annual Grand Convocation, and that the Grand Treasurer be authorized to pay such warrants.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary expend the sum of \$100 above appropriated for book cases for the Grand Chapter Library and for binding such volumes of proceedings as he shall deem best.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to procure a jewel for presentation to Past Grand High Priest Louis C. Massey and that a warrant be drawn for the expense thereof.

Fraternally submitted,
 SILAS B. WRIGHT,
 A. M. CUSHMAN,
 C. S. HAMMATT.

NAMES.	Chapter or Office	Committee.		
		Milage.	Per diem.	Total.
L. O. Massey.....	M. .E. .G. H. P.	\$ 6.45	\$4.00	\$ 10.45
Olin S. Wright.....	R. .E. .D. G. H. P.	9.10	4.00	13.10
J R Keller.....	R. .E. .Grand King ...	24.00	4.00	28.00
William S. Ware.....	R. .E. .Grand Scribe ...	.....	4.00	4.00
Marcus Endel.....	R. .E. .Grand Treasurer	3.15	4.00	7.15
J. H. Weddell.....	R. .R. .G. Chaplain	9.10	4.00	13.10
F. W. Armstrong... E. .P. Sojourner		6.45	4.00	10.45
Warren F. Scott.... E. .Capt. Host		2.00	4.00	6.00
T. P. Warlow..... E. .G. Mas. 3d V.....		6.00	4.00	10.00
J. E. Terwilleger... E. .G. Mas. 2nd V.		5.25	4.00	9.25
A. W. Capper..... E. .Grand Guard .....		.....	5.00	5.00
J. W. Boyd..... M. .E. .P. G. H. P.		4.65	4.00	8.65
S. B. Wright..... M. .E. .P. G. H. P.		14.70	4.00	18.70
W. H. Jewell..... M. .E. .P. G. H. P.		4.75	4.00	8.75
James Carnell..... M. .E. .P. G. H. P.		6.45	4.00	10.45
E. E. Haskell..... M. .E. .P. G. H. P.		4.65	4.00	8.65
A. M. Cushman..... M. .E. .P. G. H. P.		2.45	4.00	6.45
I. E. Webster..... M. .E. .P. G. H. P.		3.15	4.00	7.15
W. B. Higdon..... M. .E. .P. G. H. P.		3.15	2.00	5.15
John C. White..... Gainesville, No. 2.....		3.15	4.00	7.15
J. R. Webb..... Tampa, No. 3.....		8.65	4.00	12.65
W. G. Hobbs..... St. Johns, No. 4.....		4.75	4.00	8.75
Joseph Dawson... Halifax, No. 5.....		4.65	4.00	8.65
M. G. Buck..... Eureka, No. 7.....		6.00	4.00	10.00
S. C. Hale..... Madison, No. 8.....		4.65	4.00	8.65
J. D. Girtman..... Jasper, No. 10.....		3.85	4.00	7.85
W. C. Andress..... Jericho, No. 11.....		14.70	4.00	18.70
H. W. de Muro.... Jacksonville, No. 12....		.....	4.00	4.00
F. W. Davis..... Inverness, No. 14.....		5.85	4.00	9.85
F. M. Rivers..... St. Augustine, No. 17..		1.90	4.00	5.90
J. W. Perry..... Lake Butler, No. 19....		2.30	4.00	6.30
F. G. Railey..... Providence, No. 20....		2.65	4.00	6.65
	Thos. Brown, No. 22.	8.30	4.00	12.30
				\$317.85

The M. E. Grand High Priest announced the appointment of the following committees:

WORK.

Marcus Endel.	Silas B. Wright.
T. G. Hutchinson.	J. R. Wetherell.
James Carnell.	H. N. Sweeting.
J. H. Weddell.	

CORRESPONDENCE.

W. P. Webster.	Irving E. Webster.
William H. Jewell.	

PRINTING.

W. P. Webster.	Marcus Endel.
J. H. Norton.	

The Committee on Memorials made the following report which was received and adopted:

MEMORIALS.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Florida:

Your committee to whom was referred that part of the M. E. Grand High Priest's address which referred to our fraternal dead, respectfully report the following:

As we gather here today in the enjoyment of endearing fellowship and fraternal intercourse which ever characterizes true Royal Arch Masons, it is with added emotions of sadness that we recall the memory of those of our beloved Companions who have been called from their earthly stations to the august presence of the Supreme High Priest above.

Among those whose loss we lament, we record the name of Most Excellent Companion John S. Driggs, who presided over this Grand Chapter with fidelity during the years of 1876 and 1877. Others have fallen from the ranks of subordinate chapters, whose presence is missed by their Companions and whose loss is felt by us all. In the midst of life, duty and usefulness they were overtaken by death, the sun of their earthly life has gone down and their seats among us are vacant. We commemorate their virtues; we revere their memory and trust that we may profit by their worthy examples. They have finished their labors here and have gone on to present their work to the just Judge of the quick and the dead for final inspection, and we indulge the hope that it may be found worthy of the reward of faithful workmen. Though they may have passed under the burdens and

trials that overshadow this life, we trust that their progress may have been as through a triumphal arch to receive the crown of victory.

To their families and friends who most deeply feel their loss, we extend our profound and heartfelt sympathy.

To the Companions of other Grand Jurisdictions which have suffered losses from their membership during the past year, we tender our regrets and fraternal sympathy.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN H. WEDDELL,
F. G. RAILEY,
W. F. SCOTT,

Committee.

The following resolution presented by Past Grand High Priest Wright was adopted:

Resolved, That regulation No. 32 be amended by adding thereto the following words, "Any Chapter may, however, by by-law, require such petitions to lie over until the next regular convocation before the report of the committee shall be received."

A regulation in regard to objection to the advancement of a candidate was proposed by Past Grand High Priest Wright and was referred to the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence.

The motion of Companion Hammatt prevailed that when the Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment it be to reassemble at 8 o'clock p. m., to visit Jacksonville Chapter No. 12 to witness the exemplification of the work in the R. A. degree by the Committee on Work.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment.

IN GRAND CHAPTER.

Wednesday, May 10, 8:00 p. m.

The Grand Chapter visited Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, and witnessed the exemplification of the Work in the Royal Arch degree by the Committee on Work after which it resumed labor.

Minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

The Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence made the following report which was received and adopted:

MASONIC JURISPRUDENCE.

To the M.:E.:Grand Chapter of Florida:
We are in cordial sympathy with the M.:E.:Grand High Priest, as to all of the recommendations contained in his annual address, but do not consider any other than existing regulations necessary as we believe the attention called to the several matters in said address will have the desired effect.

In the matter of the regulation as to "objections to advancement," offered by M.:E.:Companion Wright, having been unable in the short space of time at our command, to arrive at a satisfactory determination of this important matter, we recommend that it be referred to a special committee consisting of Past Grand High Priests Wm. H. Jewell and Silas B. Wright, for investigation and to report at the next Annual Convocation of this Grand Chapter.

Fraternally submitted,
JAMES W. BOYD,
SILAS B. WRIGHT,
MARCUS ENDEL,
WILLIAM H. JEWELL,
ELMER E. HASKELL,
JAMES CARNELL,
IRVING E. WEBSTER,
Committee.

The Grand Secretary was directed to arrange for the presentation of a jewel to Past Grand High Priest Hutchinson in Jacksonville Chapter No. 12, he not having been present at this Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter.

Upon motion the thanks of the Grand Chapter were extended to Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12, for use of paraphernalia and rooms, also to the transportation lines and hotels that have given reduced rates to our members.

No further business appearing, the foregoing minutes were read and approved.

The Grand Chapter was closed in Ample form with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

OLIN S. WRIGHT,
Grand High Priest.

Attest:

W. Webster

Grand Secretary.



M.: E.: John S. Driggs
Grand High Priest
1876 and 1877

BORN IN NEW YORK, 1832

DIED IN JACKSONVILLE, FEB. 24, 1905

M. E. John S. Driggs
Grand High Priest
1876 and 1877



JOHN S. DRIGGS,
Grand High Priest, 1876, 1877.

TO THE MEMORY
OF
Companions of Our Jurisdiction

Who Passed Away During the Year 1904,
This Page is Fraternaly Dedicated.

WILLIAM M. M'INTOSH...	Florida.....	No. 1,	April	16
GARRETT F. SICKLES.....	Gainesville.....	No. 2,	June	12
JAMES S. TURNER.....	Gainesville.....	No. 2,	March	25
BURTON E. COE.....	Tampa.....	No. 3,	May	22
WILLIAM BAZZELL.....	Mount Horeb....	No. 6,	Feb.	10
WILLIAM A. EVANS.....	Putnam.....	No. 9,	Dec.	5
JOHN R. GIRTMAN.....	Jericho.....	No. 11,	March	5
OCTAVIUS H. DORSETT...	Jacksonville.....	No. 12,	March	5
JOHN J. PURDON.....	Monroe.....	No. 15,	May	10
J. W. DOWLING.....	Lake Butler.....	No. 19,	June	10
WILLIAM B. VARN.....	Thomas Brown... No. 22,	Nov.	14	



CHAPTER.	Number.	Members Last Year.	Exalted.	Affiliated.	Reinstated.	Total.	Deaths.	Dimitted.	Suspended. N. P. D.	Expelled.	Present Membership.
Florida	1	37	1	1	1	38	1	1	1	1	36
Gainesville	2	72	8	1	1	82	2	4	1	1	76
Tampa	3	73	10	1	1	84	1	4	1	1	81
St. Johns	4	29	2	1	1	33	1	1	1	1	32
Hallah	5	79	11	1	1	90	1	1	1	1	88
Mount Hope	6	67	11	2	1	80	1	1	1	1	79
Baroka	7	47	9	1	1	56	1	3	1	1	53
Madison	8	23	2	1	1	26	1	1	1	1	23
Fulham	9	29	1	1	1	31	1	1	1	1	29
Jasper	10	32	2	1	1	35	1	1	1	1	33
Jertico	11	48	6	1	1	55	1	1	1	1	53
Jacksonville	12	136	23	6	1	155	1	4	1	1	151
Monroe	13	34	3	1	1	38	1	1	1	1	36
Plant City	14	31	3	1	1	35	1	1	1	1	33
St. Augustine	15	37	1	1	1	39	1	1	1	1	37
Manatee River	16	57	16	2	1	75	1	1	1	1	72
Lake Butler	17	82	5	1	1	88	1	1	1	1	86
Ida	18	33	8	1	1	42	1	1	1	1	40
Ida	19	53	12	1	1	66	1	1	1	1	64
Thomas Brown	20	31	1	1	1	33	1	1	1	1	31
Massa	21	30	7	1	1	38	1	1	1	1	36
Lake Worth	22	39	7	1	1	47	1	1	1	1	45
Lake Oak	23	34	3	1	1	38	1	1	1	1	36
Jefferson	24	19	10	1	1	29	1	1	1	1	27
Totals	25	9	28	8	8	35	8	23	18	1	1209
	26	1080	152	21	4	1257	11	23	18	1	1209

Directory of Chapters.

CHAPTER.	LOCATION.	TIME OF MEETING.
Florida	1 Tallahassee	Second and fourth Monday.
Gainesville	2 Gainesville	Fourth Monday.
Tampa	3 Tampa	First and Third Thursday.
St. Johns	4 Deland	Third Tuesday.
Hallah	5 Daytona	Second Monday.
Mount Hope	6 Pensacola	Second Monday.
Baroka	7 Orlando	First and Third Tuesday.
Madison	8 Madison	First and Third Monday.
Fulham	9 Palatka	Second and Fourth Monday.
Jasper	10 Jasper	First Thursday.
Jertico	11 Miami	Second and Fourth Tuesday.
Jacksonville	12 Jacksonville	Fourth Thursday.
Monroe	13 Inverness	Third Monday.
Plant City	14 Inverness	Third Monday.
St. Augustine	15 St. Augustine	Second and Fourth Tuesday.
Manatee River	16 Sanford	Second and Fourth Tuesday.
Lake Butler	17 Lake Butler	Second and Fourth Tuesday.
Ida	18 Raidentown	Fourth Tuesday.
Ida	19 Raidentown	Fourth Tuesday.
Thomas Brown	20 Lake Butler	Second and Fourth Friday.
Massa	21 Key West	First Thursday.
Lake Worth	22 Key West	Third Friday.
Lake Oak	23 Barrow	First and Third Thursday.
Jefferson	24 West Palm Beach	Second Friday.
	25 Live Oak	Second Tuesday.
	26 Monticello.	First and Third Tuesday.
		Second Friday.

Tables were called to the Celestial Chapter on High during the Year 1904.



In Memory
of the
Distinguished Dead
of
Other Grand Jurisdictions

CHAPTER DIRECTORY.

CHAPTER.	HIGH PRIEST.	KING.	SCRIBE.	TREASURER.	SECRETARY.	SECRETARY'S ADDRESS.
Florida.....	J. F. W. Armstrong.....	Dorsey M. Lutz.....	James W. Watson.....	Geo. E. McGriff.....	W. E. Lewis.....	Tallahassee
Gainesville.....	W. B. Higdon.....	W. W. Hampton.....	W. L. Hill.....	M. B. Saunders.....	J. G. Torrey.....	Gainesville.
Tampa.....	John C. White.....	Simon P. Burgert.....	Harry B. Roberts.....	E. H. Kratz.....	W. R. Fitts.....	Tampa.
St. Johns.....	Scott Hodgkins.....	A. S. Munson.....	B. J. Eccles.....	J. H. Hibbard.....	Thomas R. Webb.....	DeLand.
Hallifax.....	Wm. V. Carter.....	Wm. V. Gibbs.....	Henry R. DuBois.....	Frank T. Peck.....	Arthur H. Carter.....	Holly Hill.
Mount Horeb.....	H. W. Hobbs.....	H. W. Gibbs.....	J. M. Flinn.....	J. S. Reese.....	W. E. Anderson.....	Pensacola.
Eureka.....	A. G. Fell.....	Wm. R. O'Neal.....	John C. Jones.....	Mahlon Gore.....	Wm. H. Jewell.....	Orlando.
Madison.....	Joseph Dawson.....	Abraham H. West.....	Elijah H. Bunker.....	M. Kohl.....	Angus Paterson.....	Madison.
Putnam.....	Mordecai G. Buck.....	C. E. Rowton.....	J. Watkins Lee.....	M. F. Horne.....	M. I. Coxe.....	Palatka.
Jasper.....	F. C. Cochran.....	E. C. Horne.....	B. Cheshire.....	M. H. Bradley.....	I. J. McCall.....	Jasper.
Jericho.....	John M. Caldwell.....	Andrew Hardie.....	Ralph D. Grether.....	Chas. W. Johnson.....	A. E. Heyser.....	Miami.
Jacksonville.....	James D. Girtman.....	Geo. H. White.....	Jos. W. Knight.....	A. T. Priest.....	Wilber P. Webster.....	Jacksonville.
Inverness.....	Will C. Address.....	Lewis Thompson.....	K. M. Mason.....	T. J. Miller.....	S. M. Wilson.....	Inverness.
Monroe.....	Geo. W. deMuro.....	J. F. Miller.....	Albert Schneider.....	Eben B. Trask.....	J. C. Ensminger.....	Sanford.
Plant City.....	J. E. Terwilliger.....	Andrew R. Tison.....	Robert F. Duncan.....	Claud C. Speer.....	Olin S. Wright.....	Plant City.
St. Augustine.....	J. H. Weddell.....	William Moody.....	S. Edward Curry.....	Jas. W. Johnstone.....	F. N. Holmes.....	St. Augustine.
Manatee River.....	Benj. F. Wade.....	Albert G. Liles.....	J. J. Croft.....	E. L. Odom.....	Elisha B. Camp.....	Bradentown.
Lake Butler.....	J. J. Jones.....	G. W. Alderman.....	W. N. Cone.....	T. G. Henderson.....	F. M. Rivers.....	Lake Butler.
Providence.....	J. O. Harris.....	B. H. Palmer.....	Charles St. John.....	John Scheurer.....	J. W. Perry.....	Lake City.
Thomas Brown.....	W. V. R. Plummer.....	William R. Kerr.....	James S. Wade.....	F. G. Railey.....	Geo. B. Phillips.....	Key West.
Nassau.....	John M. Oatesby.....	Oliver M. Given.....	W. A. Evans.....	J. W. Howell.....	Hugh W. Wear.....	Bartow.
Lake Worth.....	Warren F. Scott.....	Fred W. Hoyt.....	Marion E. Gruber.....	L. W. Burkhardt.....	Carl Warfield.....	Fernandina.
Live Oak.....	Geo. H. Makby.....	Benjamin Cook.....	Daniel O. Henry.....	B. W. Helvenston.....	H. L. Hillier.....	Palm Beach.
Jefferson.....	Henry F. Nirth.....	Dess E. Horn.....			J. A. McLeod.....	Live Oak.
						Monticello.

GRAND SECRETARIES.

STATE.	NAME.	ADDRESS.
General Grand Chapter.....	Christopher G. Fox.....	Buffalo, N. Y.
Alabama.....	Geo. A. Beauchamp.....	Montgomery.
Arizona.....	George J. Roskrige.....	Tucson.
Arkansas.....	John C. Bone.....	Batesville.
California.....	William A. Davies.....	San Francisco.
Canada.....	George J. Bennett.....	Toronto.
Colorado.....	Chas. H. Jacobson.....	Denver.
Connecticut.....	James McCormick.....	Hartford.
Delaware.....	James H. Price.....	Wilmington.
District of Columbia.....	A. W. Johnston.....	Washington.
England.....	Edward Letchworth.....	London.
Georgia.....	W. A. Wolihin.....	Macon.
Illinois.....	Gil. W. Barnard.....	Chicago.
Indiana.....	Calvin W. Prather.....	Indianapolis.
Iowa.....	Alf. Wingate.....	Des Moines.
Indian Territory.....	J. S. Murrow.....	Atoka.
Kansas.....	Wm. M. Shaver.....	Topeka.
Kentucky.....	H. B. Grant.....	Louisville.
Louisiana.....	Richard Lambert.....	New Orleans.
Maine.....	Stephen Berry.....	Portland.
Maryland.....	John H. Miller.....	Baltimore.
Massachusetts.....	J. Gilman Waite.....	Boston.
Michigan.....	Chas. A. Conover.....	Coldwater.
Minnesota.....	Thos. Montgomery.....	St. Paul.
Mississippi.....	Frederic Speed.....	Vicksburg.
Missouri.....	Robt. F. Stevenson.....	Kansas City.
Montana.....	Cornelius Hedges.....	Helena.
Nebraska.....	Francis E. White.....	Omaha.
Nevada.....	C. N. Noteware.....	Carson City.
New Brunswick.....	Wm. H. Wallace.....	St. Johns.
New Hampshire.....	Frank D. Woodbury.....	Concord.
New Jersey.....	Leonard L. Green.....	Passaic.
New Mexico.....	Alpheus A. Keen.....	Albuquerque.
New South Wales.....	Alfred J. Burbidge.....	Sydney.
New York.....	Christopher G. Fox.....	Buffalo.
New Zealand.....	H. L. Williams.....	Waterloo.
North Carolina.....	James C. Munds.....	Wilmington.
North Dakota.....	Frank J. Thompson.....	Fargo.
Nova Scotia.....	D. H. Campbell.....	Halifax.
Oregon.....	Edwin Hagenbuch.....	Urbana.
Pennsylvania.....	James F. Robinson.....	Eugene.
Rhode Island.....	Charles Cary.....	Philadelphia.
Scotland.....	Will H. Whyte.....	Montreal.
South Carolina.....	William R. Greene.....	Providence.
South Dakota.....	Robert S. Brown.....	Edinburgh.
Tennessee.....	John T. Barron.....	Columbia.
Texas.....	Geo. A. Pettigrew.....	Sioux Falls.
Vermont.....	W. A. Clendenning.....	Nashville.
Virginia.....	John A. Bryan.....	Cleburne.
West Virginia.....	H. H. Ross.....	Burlington.
Washington.....	John Braim.....	Melbourne.
Wisconsin.....	James B. Blanks.....	Petersburg.
	David K. Reed.....	Clarksburg.
	Yancy C. Blalock.....	Walla Walla.
	William W. Perry.....	Milwaukee.

PAST ELECTIVE GRAND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF FLORIDA.
From Its Organization to Date.

GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.	DEPUTY GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.	GRAND KINGS.	GRAND SCRIBES.	GRAND TREASURERS.	GRAND SECRETARIES.	GRAND CHAPLAINS.
1847 Thos. Douglas*	John P. DuVal*	Harry R. Taylor*	Geo. W. Macrae*	Edwin D. Nash*	John B. Taylor*	Edwin L. T. Blake*
1848 John P. DuVal*	Isaac H. Bronson*	Geo. W. Macrae*	D. S. Shiner*	Thomas Brown*	John B. Taylor*	Edwin L. T. Blake*
1849 Isaac H. Bronson*	Harry R. Taylor*	D. S. Graham*	R. A. Shine*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	Charles E. Dyke*
1850 Harry R. Taylor*	D. S. Graham*	R. A. Shine*	Gad Humphreys*	David C. Wilson*	John B. Taylor*	Edwin L. T. Blake*
1851 Thos. Douglas*	Samuel B. Stephens*	Alfred A. Fisher*	Benj. Sawyer*	David C. Wilson*	John B. Taylor*	Geo. M. McDonald*
1852 R. A. Shine*	J. M. W. Davidson*	Samuel Boardman*	James S. Rust*	David C. Wilson*	John B. Taylor*	Charles E. Dyke*
1853 Samuel Boardman*	Thomas Y. Henry*	C. A. M. Mitchell*	John L. McKinnon*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	E. G. Assy.
1854 J. Wales Baker*	Edward R. Ives*	Joseph S. May*	James Ellenwood*	R. A. Shine*	John B. Taylor*	Homer Hendec.
1855 J. Wales Baker*	Edward R. Ives*	John L. McKinnon*	David S. Walker*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	Charles E. Dyke*
1856 Thos. Douglas*	James Ellenwood*	D. P. Holland*	Charles E. Dyke*	John S. Bond*	John B. Taylor*	J. R. Plummer.
1857 Gad Humphreys*	James Ellenwood*	Geo. F. Baltzell*	Calvin Davis*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	John Penny.*
1858 Thos. Douglas*	James Ellenwood*	Geo. F. Baltzell*	Josiah Payne*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	John Penny.*
1859 D. P. Hollan*	Geo. F. Baltzell*	Geo. D. Fisher*	Charles Slager*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	Edwin L. T. Blake.*
1860 Thos. Douglas*	James Ellenwood*	Franklin Branch*	D. C. Dawkins*	Thomas Hayward*	John B. Taylor*	John Penny.*
1861 Geo. F. Baltzell*	James Ellenwood*	Charles Slager*	Wm. H. Arendell*	Thomas Hayward*	Hugh A. Corley*	Thomas A. Carruth.*
1862 Geo. F. Baltzell*	James Ellenwood*	Green H. Hunter*	Wm. H. Arendell*	Thomas Hayward*	Hugh A. Corley*	Columbus Smith.*
1863 Geo. F. Baltzell*	James Ellenwood*	Thos. K. Leonard*	Wm. H. Arendell*	Thomas Hayward*	Hugh A. Corley*	Columbus Smith.*
1864 Geo. F. Baltzell*	James Ellenwood*	B. S. Fuller*	Elias Earle*	T. Preston Tatum*	Hugh A. Corley*	Columbus Smith.*
1865 David Jones*	D. C. Dawkins*	Elias Earle*	A. J. Lea*	T. Preston Tatum*	Hugh A. Corley*	Samuel C. Crait.
1866 David Jones*	Wm. Morrill*	Charles Slager*	Chas. K. Sparhawk*	T. Preston Tatum*	Hugh A. Corley*	Wm. A. McLean.*
1867 David Jones*	Wm. Morrill*	H. H. Berry*	M.M.T. Hutchingson*	T. Preston Tatum*	Hugh A. Corley*	Thomas A. Carruth.*
1868 James Ellenwood*	M.M.T. Hutchingson*	Charles Slager*	Michael Bowes*	T. Preston Tatum*	Edw. Bradford, jr.*	Thomas A. Carruth.*
1869 D. C. Dawkins*	Chas. Slager*	Wm. Morrill*	Samuel Pasco*	T. Preston Tatum*	W. M. McIntosh*	Edwin L. T. Blake.*
1870 D. C. Dawkins*	James Ellenwood*	John S. Driggs*	Theodore Ball*	T. Preston Tatum*	W. M. McIntosh*	Thomas A. Carruth.*
1871 Wm. Morrill*	Hugh A. Corley*	John S. Driggs*	James L. Taylor*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1872 Wm. Morrill*	Samuel Pasco*	Benj. Alderman*	Benj. G. Alderman*	Wm. A. Young*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1873 Michael Bowes*	John S. Driggs*	Edmund P. Jordan*	D. W. Tucker*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1874 Michael Bowes*	Edmund P. Jordan*	Wm. T. Weeks*	Wm. T. Weeks*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1875 Henry N. Long*	Charles J. Albrecht*	Wm. T. Tucker*	John T. Miller*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1876 John S. Driggs*	George R. Jones*	W. W. Tucker*	John T. Miller*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1877 John S. Driggs*	Robert J. Perry*	W. W. Tucker*	John T. Miller*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1878 Enos Washgate*	Robert J. Perry*	Geo. E. Wentworth*	John T. Miller*	D. L. Oakley*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1879 Robert J. Perry*	Geo. E. Wentworth*	Geo. E. Wentworth*	Hugh A. Corley*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1880 Robert J. Perry*	Geo. E. Wentworth*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Hugh A. Corley*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1881 W. A. McLean*	Geo. E. Wentworth*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1882 W. A. McLean*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1883 Geo. S. Hallmark*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1884 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1885 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1886 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1887 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
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1899 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1900 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1901 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1902 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1903 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*
1904 Wm. E. Anderson*	Wm. E. Anderson*	Warren F. Scott*	John G. Ellis*	L. McConihe*	DeW. C. Dawkins*	John Penny.*

*Deceased.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

OF FLORIDA IN OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS.	GRAND CHAPTERS.	OF OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS IN FLORIDA.
Stephen C. Henderson, Brewton.	Alabama.....	Geo. S. Hallmark, Pensacola.
Prosper Powell Parker, Phoenix.	Arizona.....	T. G. Hutchinson, Jacksonville.
George P. Taylor, Forest City.	Arkansas.....	Henry G. Aird, Jacksonville.
Edward Richards, Hedges.	California.....	Wm. S. Ware, Buena Vista.
A. B. Munson, London, Ontario.	Canada.....	Z. T. Merritt, DeLand.
Geo. W. Roe, Pueblo.	Colorado.....	J. R. Wetherell, DeLand.
I. F. Stidham, New Britain.	Connecticut.....	Wm. S. Ware, Jacksonville.
George W. Beatty, Wilmington.	Delaware.....	W. P. Webster, DeLand.
John Lockie, Washington.	Dis. of Columbia.....	Silas B. Wright, Jacksonville.
W. A. Davis, Macon.	Georgia.....	J. H. Norton, Jacksonville.
Wm. B. Carlock, Bloomington.	Illinois.....	John H. Norton, Tampa.
Elmer Crockett, South Bend.	Indiana.....	Melville W. Carruth, Plant City.
Jonas A. Lee, Rush Springs.	Indian Territory.....	Olin S. Wright, DeLand.
George R. Turner, Ames.	Iowa.....	Silas B. Wright, Plant City.
Aaron H. Connett, Great Bend.	Kansas.....	Olin S. Wright, DeLand.
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E. W. Drebbholz, New Orleans.	Louisiana.....	Olin S. Wright, DeLand.
Henry R. Taylor, Machias.	Maine.....	James W. Boyd, Palatka.
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Michael Bowes, Raleigh.	New South Wales.....	Warren F. Scott, Ormond.
Chas. W. Greene, Devil's Lake.	North Carolina.....	James Carnell, Gainesville.
John M. Lawson, Yarmouth.	North Dakota.....	Marcus Endel, Gainesville.
William E. Evans, Chillicothe.	Nova Scotia.....	Wm. H. Cyrus, Gainesville.
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Ferdinand H. Allen, Providence.	Quebec.....	Z. T. Merritt, Jacksonville.
James D. Duncan, Michelwood.	Rhode Island.....	Harry N. Masey, Jacksonville.
A. T. Smythe, Charleston.	Scotland.....	Louis C. Bradshaw, Pensacola.
John F. Schrader, Rapid City.	South Carolina.....	John N. Chadwick, Fernandina.
J. C. Smith, Jr., Jackson.	South Dakota.....	B. H. Hallmark, Pensacola.
Joe T. Burgher, Whitewright.	Tennessee.....	Geo. S. Hallmark, Orlando.
Homer Thrasher, Newport.	Texas.....	Wm. H. Jewell, Orlando.
W. S. Mathews, Big Stone Gap.	Vermont.....	George S. Hallmark, Madison.
Thomas M. Reed, Olympia.	Virginia.....	Angus Paterson, Palatka.
Jere A. Miller, Wheeling.	Washington.....	Wm. H. Cyrus, Palatka.
Fred Ring, LaCrosse.	West Virginia.....	Jos. R. Keller, DeLand.
	Wisconsin.....	Silas B. Wright, DeLand.
		L. R. Phillips, Sanford.
		Lucien A. Spencer, Orlando.

Amendments to Constitution
and Regulations.

As Adopted Since the Publishing of the Last Digest.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION.

1902.

Article I, Section 4. The Annual Grand Convocations of this Grand Chapter shall be held in the city of Jacksonville, on the second Tuesday of May in each year, at 10 o'clock a. m., and the representatives of three chartered Chapters shall constitute a quorum. *Provided*, That the Grand High Priest may, for good cause, designate some other time and place within this Grand Jurisdiction for holding the Annual Grand Convocation. *And provided, also*, That the Grand High Priest may call a special Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter when, in his discretion, it may be necessary or important to do so. *And hereafter*, at the opening of this Grand Chapter, the Grand High Priest shall appoint the following Standing Committees, each to consist of not less than three members:

1. On Returns and Credentials.
2. On Unfinished Business.
3. On Propositions and Grievances.
4. On Dispositions and By-Laws.
5. On Masonic Jurisprudence.
6. On Finance and Accounts.
7. On Memorials.
8. On Foreign Correspondence.
9. On Printing.
10. On Work (to consist of seven members.)

1904.

Article I, Section 9.—The installation of the officers of this Grand Chapter shall take place during the Annual Grand Convocation at which they are elected or appointed. *Provided*, That any such officer who cannot be present at the regular time for installation may be installed in such Chapter or Chapters as the Grand Chapter may designate, and in such case the Secretary of the Chapter in which such installations shall take place shall forthwith certify the fact to the Grand Secretary.

1901.

Article I, Section 12.—Each officer and one representative of each chapter attending the Grand Convocations of this Grand Chapter, members of the Committee on Work, and Past Grand High Priests in attendance in no other capacity, shall be entitled to receive from its funds such compensation as may be appropriated from time to time by the Grand Chapter. *Provided*, That no one shall be paid in more than one capacity.

Article II, Section 38.—The High Priest shall preside at the several Convocations of the Chapter, and, in case of his absence or inability to act, his powers and prerogatives shall vest in the King and Scribe in succession. In the absence of all these officers from a Stated or Special Convocation regularly called, the junior Past High Priest present may open the Chapter and preside.

1905.

Article II, Section 43.—A Chapter shall not confer the degrees upon a candidate who resides nearer some other Chapter. *Provided*, That the M. .E. .Grand Chapter, R. A. M., of Florida, recognizes concurrent jurisdiction with the M. .E. .Grand Chapter of Georgia of all material residing at or near the boundary line between Florida and Georgia, whereby a petition of one residing in such locality may be presented in the nearest

Chapter; and concurrent jurisdiction with the M. .E. .Grand Chapter of Alabama, over all material residing within five (5) miles of the State line, provided there be no organized Chapter of his own Jurisdiction within ten (10) miles of the petitioner's residence.

Regulations.

ANNUAL ELECTION.

The annual election of officers in this Grand Chapter shall be held without nominations. 1905.

ARKS.

The recommendation of the General Grand Chapter as to the lettering on the sides of the ark is adopted, and all Subordinate Chapters are required to conform thereto, upon notification by the Grand Secretary of the proper lettering. 1904.

CHAPTER FUNDS.

When the funds of a subordinate Chapter are deposited by the Treasurer in a bank, the account must always stand in the name of _____ Royal Arch Chapter, No. _____, _____ Treasurer, and not in the name of the Treasurer, either officially or individually. 1903.

DISTRICTS.

This Grand Jurisdiction shall be divided into four districts and one of these districts shall be assigned to each of the four highest elective officers of this Grand Chapter, whose duty it shall be to visit each of the Chapters in his district at least once during the year, the assignment of districts to be left to the Grand High Priest from year to year. 1900.

JURISDICTION.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Florida recognizes concurrent jurisdiction with the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Georgia of all material residing at or near the boundary line between Georgia and Florida, whereby a petition of one residing in such locality may be presented to his nearest Chapter. 1902.

This Grand Chapter recognizes concurrent jurisdiction with the Grand Chapter of Alabama over all material residing within five miles of the State line, provided there be no organized Chapter of his own Grand Jurisdiction within ten miles of petitioner's residence.—1902.

MASTERS OF VAILS.

The Masters of the Vails shall be seated to the south instead of to the west of the altar which shall be in front of the Royal Arch Captain.—1904.

PETITIONS.

32. A petition for the degrees must be presented at a regular convocation of the Chapter, and if received, shall be referred to a committee of three members of the Chapter for investigation and may be acted upon at the same meeting at the discretion of the Chapter. Any Chapter may, however, by by-law require such petitions to lie over until the next regular convocation before the report of the committee shall be received. 1905.

RITUALS.

The retiring High Priest of each Chapter which elects to retain the General Grand Chapter rituals, shall immediately, upon installation of his successor, surrender to him both copies of said rituals, taking duplicate receipts for the same, one of which to be retained by him and the other forwarded to the Grand Secretary with the annual returns by the Secretary of each Chap-

ter and the annual returns of any chapter shall not be considered as complete until such receipt has been filed with the Grand Secretary or a satisfactory excuse rendered for failure to do so; provided, that in the event of no change being made in the office of High Priest during the year, a new receipt shall not be required. 1903.

Order of High Priesthood.

SPECIAL CONVOCATION.

A special Convocation of the Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Jacksonville, on Thursday, January 19, 1905, at 5:30 p. m., the following officers being present:

- M. .E. .: August Paterson, President.
- M. .E. .: James W. Boyd, Vice-President.
- M. .E. .: L. W. Buchholz, as Chaplain
- M. .E. .: Silas B. Wright, Conductor.
- M. .E. .: Louis C. Massey as Master of Ceremonies.
- M. .E. .: James Carnell, Herald.

The Grand Council was opened in Ample form.

Petitions for the Order were received from the following Companions:

- Joseph Dawson, H. P. Eureka Chapter, No. 7.
- Will C. Andress, H. P. Jacksonville Chapter, No. 12.
- L. R. Phillips, H. P. Monroe Chapter, No. 15.

These Companions being found eligible, their petitions were received and they were duly elected to receive the Order.

The above candidates being in waiting, they were introduced, anointed and consecrated in due and ancient form.

No further business appearing the Grand Council was closed in Ample form.

Attest:
ANGUS PATERSON,
President.
W. P. WEBSTER, Secretary.

Order of High Priesthood.

ANNUAL CONVOCATION.

The Annual Convocation of the Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood of the State of Florida was held in the Masonic Temple, in the City of Jacksonville, Wednesday, May 10, A. D. 1905, at 2 o'clock p. m., the following officers being present:

- M. .E. .Angus Paterson, President.
- M. .E. .James W. Boyd, Vice-President.
- M. .E. .Irving E. Webster, Chaplain
- M. .E. .Clarence S. Hammatt, Treasurer.
- M. .E. .Wilber P. Webster, Secretary.
- M. .E. .Olin S. Wright, as Conductor.
- M. .E. .F. W. Armstrong, as Master of Ceremonies.
- M. .E. .Joseph R. Keller, as Herald.
- M. .E. .John H. Weddell, as Steward.
- M. .E. .Will C. Andress, as Guard.

The Grand Council was opened in Ample form. Upon motion, the reading of the minutes of the last Annual Convocation was dispensed with, they having been printed and distributed, and they were adopted as printed.

The minutes of the Special Convocation of January 19, 1905, were read and adopted.

Petitions for the Order were received from the following Companions:

- John C. White, H. P. Tampa Chapter, No. 3.
- William G. Hobbs, H. P. Halifax Chapter, No. 5.
- James D. Girtman, H. P. Jericho Chapter, No. 11.
- George W. DeMuro, H. P. Inverness Chapter, No. 14.

These Companions being found eligible, their applications were received and they were duly elected to receive the order.

All of the above candidates being in waiting, they were introduced, anointed and consecrated in due and ancient form.

The Secretary made the following report which was received and ordered printed:

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

W. P. Webster, Secretary.

In account with the Grand Council.

Dr.	
To Balance as per last report.....	\$14.73
To Bible sold	1.15
To Fees January	6.00
To Fees May.....	8.00
To received from Warren Tyler.....	7.37—\$37.25

Cr.	
By paid J. F. Clark, guard.....	\$ 2.50
By paid printing proceedings.....	5.60
By paid Treasurer	15.15
By paid Supplies January.....	.35—\$23.60
Balance on hand	\$13.65

The Treasurer made the following report which was received and ordered printed:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

M. .E. .President:

Your treasurer has received from the secretary \$15.15 which amount is now in the treasury.

Fraternally submitted,
C. S. HAMMATT,
Treasurer.

Upon motion the Secretary was directed to pay the Guard \$2.50 and to pay for the printing of the proceedings from the funds now in his hands.

The annual election being held the following officers were unanimously elected:

M. .E. .Angus Paterson, re-elected President.
 M. .E. .James W. Boyd, re-elected Vice-President.
 M. .E. .Irving E. Webster, re-elected Chaplain.
 M. .E. .Clarence S. Hammatt, re-elected Treasurer.
 M. .E. .Wilber P. Webster, re-elected Secretary
 M. .E. .Olin S. Wright, elected Conductor.
 M. .E. .F. W. Armstrong, elected Master of Ceremonies
 M. .E. .Joseph R. Keller, elected Herald.
 M. .E. .William S. Ware, elected Steward.
 M. .E. .Will C. Andress, elected Guard.

No further business appearing the foregoing minutes were read and approved and the Grand Council was closed in Ample form.

ANGUS PATERSON,
President.

Attest:

W. P. WEBSTER, *Secretary.*

Register of Membership.

NAME.	DATE.
DeWitt C. Dawkins*	Consecrated January 12, 1865
John F. Benezet	Consecrated January 12, 1865
David S. Walker*	Consecrated January 12, 1865
Angus Paterson	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Henry W. Long	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William A. McLean*	Consecrated January 19, 1888
D. Warwick Stanley*	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Charles H. Munger	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Fred S. Goodrich	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William A. Griffith	Consecrated January 19, 1888
James F. Clark	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William M. Somerville	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Marcus Endel	Consecrated January 19, 1888
William W. Tucker*	Consecrated January 19, 1888
Wm. M. McIntosh, Sr.*	Consecrated January 19, 1888
George S. Hallmark	Consecrated January 19, 1888
James W. Boyd	Affiliated January 19, 1888
Samuel Pasco	Affiliated January 19, 1888
Julius Stark*	Consecrated January 16, 1889
Herman Glogowski	Consecrated January 16, 1889
Robert McClellan	Consecrated January 18, 1889
J. W. V. R. Plummer	Consecrated January 18, 1889
John H. Stephens	Consecrated January 18, 1889
Thomas S. Wilmarth	Consecrated May 7, 1890
R. Alfred Montsalvatge*	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Frank P. Mersereau	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Silas B. Wright	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Samuel A. Wauchope	Consecrated May 7, 1890
Irving E. Webster	Affiliated May 7, 1890
	Consecrated May 13, 1891

*Dead.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD.

NAME.	DATE.		
Edgar A. Richards	Consecrated	May	13, 1891
Warren Tyler*	Consecrated	May	13, 1891
William H. Jewell	Consecrated	May	11, 1892
William S. Jordan	Consecrated	May	11, 1892
John D. Sinclair	Consecrated	May	11, 1892
Elijah H. Bunker	Consecrated	May	11, 1892
Charles J. Hayes	Consecrated	May	11, 1892
Dougald McLachlan	Consecrated	May	12, 1892
James H. Whitfield*	Consecrated	May	12, 1892
Alonzo M. Cushman	Consecrated	Nov.	10, 1893
Olin S. Wright	Consecrated	May	10, 1893
Alexander C. Martin	Consecrated	May	10, 1893
Bingham H. Chadwick	Consecrated	January	18, 1894
Nathaniel T. Elliott*	Consecrated	January	18, 1894
Wilber P. Webster	Consecrated	January	18, 1894
Everard F. Barnes	Consecrated	January	18, 1894
Milton A. Fuller	Affiliated	March	5, 1894
Thomas J. Smith	Consecrated	March	16, 1894
Syd. L. Carter	Consecrated	March	16, 1894
Warren K. Bartleson	Consecrated	May	9, 1894
Henry J. Stewart*	Consecrated	May	9, 1895
William M. Dunn	Consecrated	January	7, 1895
James E. Pound	Consecrated	January	7, 1895
Joseph Townsend	Consecrated	January	15, 1895
Lowell C. Ruter	Consecrated	January	15, 1895
Joseph F. Tolbert	Consecrated	January	15, 1895
James Harden	Consecrated	January	15, 1895
Andrew E. Gleason	Consecrated	January	18, 1895
George W. Hyde	Consecrated	January	24, 1895
Henry F. Airth	Consecrated	January	24, 1896
William P. Anderson*	Consecrated	January	24, 1896
Enos Wasgate	Affiliated	May	13, 1896
James Carnell	Consecrated	May	13, 1896
Monroe D. Cushing*	Consecrated	May	13, 1896
Henry Payne	Consecrated	May	13, 1896
Irving E. Baird	Consecrated	May	13, 1896
John R. Wetherell	Consecrated	May	13, 1896

*Dead.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD.

NAME.	DATE.		
Charles R. Oglesby	Consecrated	May	13, 1896
John N. Bradshaw	Consecrated	May	13, 1896
Eugene P. Mickel	Consecrated	Dec.	27, 1896
Louis C. Massey	Consecrated	May	11, 1897
Roque V. Rogero	Consecrated	May	11, 1897
John E. Hanna*	Consecrated	May	11, 1897
Elmer E. Haskell	Consecrated	May	11, 1897
Wm. E. Ballough	Consecrated	May	12, 1897
Geo. P. Ballough	Consecrated	May	12, 1897
Charles E. Waite	Consecrated	May	12, 1897
Thomas G. Hutchinson	Consecrated	May	12, 1897
Ludwig W. Buchholz	Consecrated	January	21, 1898
William H. Hausman	Consecrated	January	21, 1898
Abraham H. West	Consecrated	May	9, 1898
John T. Miller	Consecrated	Dec.	27, 1898
H. V. R. Schrader	Consecrated	January	19, 1899
Charles L. Smith	Consecrated	May	10, 1899
Joseph G. Torrey	Consecrated	May	10, 1899
William H. Cyrus	Consecrated	May	10, 1899
T. P. Warlow	Consecrated	May	10, 1899
Henry N. Sweeting	Consecrated	January	19, 1900
Arthur H. Carter	Consecrated	May	9, 1900
L. F. Frink*	Consecrated	May	9, 1900
W. W. Faris	Consecrated	January	17, 1901
Joseph R. Keller	Consecrated	January	17, 1901
Thomas West Gary	Consecrated	May	15, 1901
Frank W. Armstrong	Consecrated	May	15, 1901
Warren F. Scott	Consecrated	May	15, 1901
John M. Young	Consecrated	May	15, 1901
Bascom H. Palmer	Affiliated	May	15, 1901
William S. Ware	Consecrated	May	15, 1901
John H. Norton	Consecrated	October	23, 1901
Z. T. Merritt	Consecrated	January	23, 1902
James M. Chesser	Consecrated	January	23, 1902
Orson J. Hill	Consecrated	January	23, 1902
Benjamin F. Hough	Consecrated	January	23, 1902
James F. Miller	Consecrated	May	14, 1902
	Consecrated	May	14, 1902

*Dead.

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD.

NAME.	DATE.
Franklin L. Rees.....	Consecrated June 24, 1902
Mordecai G. Buck.....	Consecrated January 7, 1903
Hugh W. Wear.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
George H. Clark.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
James O. Harris.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
Melville W. Carruth....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
Victor F. Balkcom.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
Louis Harrison.....	Consecrated May 13, 1903
John MacDiarmid.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
Henry W. Davis.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
John J. Jones.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
Daniel D. Beekman.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
John H. Weddell.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
Lucien A. Spencer.....	Consecrated May 18, 1904
Clarence S. Hammatt...	Consecrated May 18, 1904
James E. Terwilleger...	Consecrated May 19, 1905
Joseph Dawson.....	Consecrated Jan'y 19, 1905
Will. C. Andress.....	Consecrated Jan'y 19, 1905
L. R. Philips.....	Consecrated Jan'y 10, 1905
John C. White.....	Consecrated May 10, 1905
William G. Hobbs.....	Consecrated May 10, 1905
James D. Girtman.....	Consecrated May 10, 1905
George W. DeMuro.....	Consecrated May 10, 1905



WILLIAM H. JEWELL
Grand Commander 1898



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OLIN S. WRIGHT
Grand High Priest 1905