





PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND LODGE

OF

ANCIENT YORK MASONS,

OF

NORTH CAROLINA.

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WM. F. COLLINS, M. W. GRAND MASTER, RALEIGH.  
WM. T. BAIN, R. W. GRAND SECRETARY, RALEIGH.

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THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA was first constituted by virtue of a Charter from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, A. D. 1771, which has been preserved, and is now in the Lodge Room. It convened occasionally in Newbern and Edenton, at which latter place the Records were deposited previous to the Revolutionary War. During that sanguinary contest, the Records were destroyed by the British Army, and its meetings were, in consequence thereof, suspended.

In the year 1787, the Members of the Craft convened at Hillsborough, in this State, and compiled certain regulations for the government of the Grand Lodge, and again set to work. A Committee was appointed in December, 1797, to form a Constitution for their future government, which was accordingly done; and the said Constitution was formally adopted and ratified at the CITY OF RALEIGH, at which place the Grand Lodge has continued to hold its meetings annually.

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Wm. T. Davis, H. W. Grand Secretary, Raleigh  
Wm. F. Collins, W. T. Grand Master, Raleigh

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### GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

RALEIGH, MONDAY, DECEMBER 3, 1849.

THE GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA convened at their Hall in the CITY OF RALEIGH, on Monday Evening, December 3d, 1849, at 7 o'clock, and was opened in ample form by the M. W. Grand Master.

#### PRESENT:

- M. W. WILLIAM F. COLLINS, G. M.  
R. W. \*CLEMENT H. JORDAN, D. G. M.  
" " WILLIAM GOTT, P. D. G. M.  
" " ROBT W. SEAWELL, G. S. W. P. T.  
" " JOAB HIATT, G. J. W.  
" " C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.  
" " WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S.  
Brother WILLIAM G. HILL, G. S. D. P. T.  
" NUMA F. REID, G. J. D.  
" JOSEPH M. COX, G. Marshal.  
" JOHN A. ROWLAND, G. S. B.  
" C. P. MENDENHALL, G. P.  
" RICHARD W. ASHTON, G. T.

#### LODGES REPRESENTED.

- St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington—Bro. R. G. Rankin.  
St. John's Lodge, No. 3, Newbern—Bros. Edward Smallwood and Peter Custis.  
Phalanx Lodge, No. 31, Charlotte—Bros. William Gott and Joab Hiatt.  
Greensboro' Lodge, No. 76, Greensboro'—Cyrus P. Mendenhall and William Gott.  
Hiram Lodge, No. 40, Raleigh—Bros. C. W. D. Hutchings, Robert W. Seawell, and John W. Cosby.  
Phoenix Lodge, No. 8, Fayetteville—Bro. James Dodd.  
Golden Fleece Lodge, No. 74, Milton—Bro. Henry N. Holden.  
Wake Forest Lodge, No. 97, Wake County—Bros. James G. Jeffreys, John O. Jeffreys, and George W. Norwood.  
Columbus Lodge, No. 102, Pittsboro'—Bros. John A. Hanks, Abel Marshall, and William Stedman.

\*Not Calvin as printed last year.

Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, Hertford—Bro. Joseph M. Cox.  
 Wentworth Lodge No. 111, Rockingham—Bros. Numa F. Reid,  
 Hardy Felts, and D. K. Humphreys.  
 Person Lodge, No. 113, Roxboro—C. H. Bradsher.  
 St. Alban's Lodge, No. 114, Lumberton—Bros. John A. Rowland  
 and Robert S. French.  
 Fulton Lodge, No. 99, Salisbury—Bro. Luke Blackmer.  
 William R. Davie Lodge, No. 119, Lexington—Luke Blackmer.

## MEMBERS.

Bro. A. J. Lawrence, P. G. Secretary; Bro. John J. Christophers,  
 P. G. Secretary.

## VISITORS.

Bros. James H. Moore, Henry Harris, Johnson Caswell Lodge;  
 Bros. G. W. McKay, James T. Marriott, W. J. Ramsay, William J.  
 Clark, J. M. Lovejoy, Lewis W. Peck, C. H. Johnson, Dabney Cosby,  
 John H. Manly, Isaac Proctor, William D. Haywood, Joseph Wolter-  
 ing, O. L. Burch, William H. High.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed the following Committees:

ON CREDENTIALS.—Bro. N. F. Reid, William Gott, Edward Small-  
 wood, and Peter Custis.

ON CHARTERS AND DISPENSATIONS.—Bros. Joab Hiatt, Joseph M.  
 Cox, and H. N. Holden.

The following Resolution was offered by the Grand Secretary, and  
 adopted, viz:

*Resolved*, That all transient Brethren who may be now in this  
 City, are respectfully invited to attend the deliberations of this Grand  
 Lodge during the present Communication.

The case of Bro. P. W. Dowd, which was laid over from the last  
 to the present Grand Communication, was called up;

When, on motion of Bro. William Stedman, a Committee of Five  
 was appointed to investigate the case; and Bros. C. H. Jordan, Jos.  
 M. Cox, William Gott, N. F. Reid, and William Stedman were ap-  
 pointed to investigate the case, with the understanding that their Re-  
 port would be submitted on Wednesday evening next.

The Grand Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment un-  
 til to-morrow evening at 7 o'clock.

TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 4, 1849.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.  
Prayer by the Rev. Grand Chaplain, John F. Speight.

PRESENT :

M. W. WILLIAM F. COLLINS, G. M.  
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" " JOHN F. SPEIGHT, G. C.  
" " LUKE BLACKMER, G. S. W.  
" " JOAB HIATT, G. J. W.  
" " C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.  
" " WILLIAM T. BAIN, G. S.  
Brother AEEL MARSHALL, G. S. D.  
" J. COSBY, G. J. D.  
" J. M. COX, G. M.  
" JOHN A. ROWLAND, G. S. B.  
" C. P. MENDENHALL, G. P..  
" RICH'D. W. ASHTON, G. T.

LODGES REPRESENTED :

St. John's, No. 1 ; St. John's, No. 3 ; Phoenix, No. 8 ; Phalanx,  
No. 31 ; Hiram, No. 40 ; Golden Fleece, No. 74 ; Greensboro', No. 76 ;  
Fellowship, No. 84 ; Wake Forest, No. 97 ; Fulton, No. 99 ; Colum-  
bus, No. 102 ; Perquimans, No. 106 ; Wentworth, No. 111 ; Person,  
No. 113 ; St. Alban's, No. 114 ; William R. Davie, No. 119.

ADDITIONAL RETURNS.

Skewarkee Lodge, No. 90, Williamston.  
Morning Star, No. 85, Nashville.  
Wayne, No. 112, Everettsville, Bro. John E. Becton and Dr. C.  
F. Dewey.  
Hiram Lodge, No. 98, Clinton, Bro. Everett Peterson.  
Fellowship Lodge, No. 84, Smithfield, Bros. S. P. Herton, W. F.  
S. Alston, S. F. Tunnell.  
Royal White Hart, No. 2, Halifax, Bro. L. W. Bachelor.  
Concord, No. 58, 'Tarboro', Bro. John F. Speight.  
Holly Spring, No. 115, Wake Co., Bro. Aalsey Hunter, Gaston Ut-  
ley, T. J. Utley.  
Joseph Warren, No. 92, Stantonsburg, Bro. E. Sauls, Wright  
Edmundson.  
Belmont, No. 108, Duplin Co., Bro. Joseph T. Rhodes.

MEMBERS.

Bro. E. B. Freeman, P. G. J. W.

- Bro. T. J. Lemay, P. G. S.  
 " John J. Christopher, P. G. S.  
 " Davis Young, P. G. S. W.  
 " W.W. Johnston, P. G. S. W.

#### VISITERS.

Bros. Warren Nobles, John W. Lee, E. Dupree, Calvin J. Rogers, Green H. Alford, Willis W. Holland, James T. Rogers, A. W. Betts, A. Leslie, P. F. Pescud, W. J. Ramsay, L. W. Peek, James T. Marriott, Isaac Proctor, D. B. Griffin, W. H. High, W. D. Haywood, James Rogers, A. J. Norwood, Jno. H. DeCarterett, J. H. Kirkland, Robt. Findlater, Gustavus Martindale, T. O. McClanahan, J. M. Hains, C. H. Johnson, N. A. Stedman, E. P. Guion, W. G. Hill, Dr. Jeffreys, H. W. Miller, John H. Manly, W. J. Clarke, and L. L. Stevenson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

The Grand Master submitted the following communication, which was read, and on motion of the Grand Secretary, it was

*Resolved*, That the several subjects referred to in said communication, be referred to Committees appointed by the Chair, and that the Masters of Lodges cause the same to be read in open Lodge, when the proceedings shall be published and distributed.

#### To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of North Carolina:

##### BRETHREN :

Another Masonic year has expired, and we are again permitted to meet together around the altar of Brotherly Love, to exchange our affectionate greetings, and to unite in Council for the purpose of advancing the common interest of our Order. It affords me great gratification to be able to congratulate you all, and through you our brethren of Subordinate Lodges, whom you represent, on the prosperity of our Order in North Carolina, and the advancement of our principles during the past year. The working of the Craft for the last twelve months has been diligent, zealous, and praiseworthy, in a most eminent degree. MASONRY has, not only in North Carolina, but throughout the Union, waked up, as it were, from the temporary lethargy under which it had for some years been laboring. The beauties and benefits of our time-honored Institution are developing themselves in all directions, and inviting the friends of humanity and benevolence to participate in those Mysteries, which are preparatory to the formation of the human character for deeds of Philanthropy.

This, Brethren, should be cheering to the hearts of all of us. It would be to us a cause of everlasting reproach and shame, if we were to suffer an Institution which boasts an origin antecedent to all other systems of human Philosophy, (which have had their day and per-



ished,) to languish and decay through our supineness and neglect. Our Order has withstood all the mutations of social and political change—all the violent assaults of persecution and misrepresentation for thousands of years. During all this period, it has pursued its quiet and steady course, self-sustained by its Mission of Peace and Good Will towards all Mankind. It has fed the hungry; clothed the poor; administered to the sufferings of the bereaved Widow and Orphan; and, like the Good Samaritan, bound up the wounds and allayed the pangs of the Wayfaring Stranger. Shall we then become weary in this Good and Glorious Work? I am pleased to be able to say from the indications around, that every worthy Mason in the State is ready to answer in the negative.

That cardinal principle of our system which inculcates "Faith in God," should impress upon us that we are not made for ourselves alone. Our state of probation here requires of us to do all the good we can to our fellow-mortals, in our day and generation. How better can we please that Great Being *whose All-Seeing Eye* observes our every thought and action, and whose very nature is to do good to his creatures, more than by trying to imitate Him, in devoting ourselves to works of benevolence, gentleness and kindness? Hope in Immortality, which is another leading tenet of our faith, should stimulate us to aspire to a *glorious* and happy Immortality. In order to realise this, our lives must be *squared* by the Standard of Brotherly Love, and a disinterested regard for the welfare of our fellow-men. Whilst this is impressed by the Great Book of Nature, as an indispensable condition of a happy Immortality, it is further enforced by that System of Revealed Truth, to which all good Masons should subscribe in all Christian lands. "Charity to all Mankind" is the practical result of the two former propositions, when seriously and reverentially entertained. A sincere belief in GOD; in His Wisdom, His Goodness, and His Power; and a reliance upon a glorious Immortality, as the reward of a well-spent life, constitute, for the True and Accepted Mason, his code of Faith;—the works legitimately resulting from which are, a practical exercise of Charity towards all mankind. And, as in the Christian system, "Faith without works is dead," so it is in the Masonic System also.

Having briefly and imperfectly expressed to you the views I entertain of the principles which are taught by the institution of Freemasonry, I submit them for your consideration and practice; hoping each one of you, and those for whom they are intended, may realise their truths, and good effects. I am now led to speak of the Order more particularly as it exists in our own State, to which I have referred, as being in a prosperous and healthy condition.

I have granted Dispensations to the following new Lodges since our last communication, to wit: Mill Creek, Johnston County; Logan, Guilford County; Sunsbury, Gates County; Franklinton, Franklin County; Grarville, Oxford, Granville County; Palestine, Gold Hill, Rowan County; Clinton, Louisburg, Franklin County; Johnston Caswell, Warrenton, Warren County.

Johnston Caswell, it will be recollected, some years since ceased to work, and surrendered its Charter to the Grand Lodge. The Charter was received, and an order made to sell the Lodge, and Grounds upon which the Lodge was situated. After this action of the Grand Lodge was had, and the property disposed of, I ascertained that the person conveying this property had only conveyed a right so long as it was used for Lodge purposes. I therefore took steps to have the Lodge revived, and re-established. To have this done, I assured Bro. Judkins, the purchaser, that the Grand Lodge would refund him the amount he had paid, provided he would permit the property to assume its original position as a Lodge; which he readily consented to. The Lodge has since that time been revived, and I am happy to say with prospects of great usefulness. I would, therefore, recommend that this Grand Lodge refund to Bro. Judkins the amount paid over to the Treasurer, with interest from the time of payment.

The following are the Lodges Chartered at the Communication of the Grand Lodge of 1848:—Germanton Lodge, Stokes County; Mt. Lebanon, Tosnot Depot, Edgecombe County; Mt. Vernon, Ashville, Buncombe County; Golden Fleece, Milton, Caswell County; William R. Davie, Lexington, Davidson County.

The officers of the Lodges working under Dispensation have been regularly placed at work; and I am happy to find some of them have sent up their proceedings for the inspection of this Grand Lodge for its approval, in order that they may be added to the lists of Constitutional Lodges; that they may be better prepared to engage in an errand of mercy and philanthropy. It is very desirable, (and I may add indispensably necessary,) that this Grand Lodge should adopt some means by which the Lodges of this State may be instructed in a uniform mode of work; and this end cannot be better obtained, than by having a General Grand Lecturer, whose duty it should be made to visit every Lodge in the State, and continue his lectures to each Lodge, until made thoroughly acquainted with the work.

There is cause of regret on my part to have to bring to the notice of this Grand Lodge the illegal and unconstitutional work and proceedings of one of the subordinate Lodges under your jurisdiction. I allude to Columbus Lodge, Pittsborough. I have been informed that this Lodge proceeded to initiate, pass, add raise an applicant the same night.

I have before stated that Free Masonry had aroused from her temporary lethargy, and in proof of which we have only to review the proceedings and correspondence of other Grand bodies; and we will see their onward progress demonstrated, from their works, as well as the increasing numbers applying for admission into our Order. The following communications have been placed upon my table by the Grand Secretary, which are ready to be handed over to the Committee of Foreign Correspondence, whose duty it is made more properly to examine and report upon. I regret that my public, and other engagements, have proven a barrier to my giving them that examination which their importance demands. The following communica-

tions have been received, viz :—N. York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, N. Hamshire, Vermont, N. Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia, Iowa, Indiana, Tennessee, Illinois, Kentucky, Ohio, Wisconsin, Florida, Michigan, Arkansas, Georgia, South Carolina, Mississippi, Alabama, Texas, Maine, and Louisiana. Also Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada, West ; and the Montreal and William Henry Grand Lodge of the same Province. Also the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter and Council of Alabama.

It will be seen from these Communications, that we have the Returns from two bodies claiming to be Grand Lodges, in the States of Louisiana and New York. The history connected with the difficulties in the Louisiana Lodges, is of such doubtful character, as to forbid an expression of my opinion. The proper Committee in charge of this investigation, will, no doubt, examine the question upon its merits, and report their views to this Grand Lodge for its action ; more especially since these Bodies have submitted their claims for your approval.

The difficulties which have arisen in New York claim at your hands special investigation, as well as prompt action ; and in order that it may receive the notice of this Grand Lodge, at its present session, I would recommend a special committee for the purpose of examining into the facts which have been submitted for your consideration by these Bodies.

The action taken by this Grand Lodge, at its last Communication upon the subject of a Supreme Grand Lodge, (and giving their sanction to its creation,) and appointing delegates to attend at Baltimore, in July last, would have been carried out, but for information being received that the proposed Convention had been postponed. Such diversity of opinion has been expressed, through the proceedings of Grand Lodges, as go to justify the expression of my own doubt, whether the measure proposed will ever be accomplished.

Your former action however expresses the views you entertain of its utility and expediency ; and the difficulties now before you for adjustment, go to sustain you in the favorable opinion you have expressed upon this subject. Notwithstanding the absence of such an institution as a Supreme Grand Lodge, I have too much confidence in the teachings of Masonry, to believe, for a moment, that these dissensions and difficulties will not be healed, and harmony restored ; for her works teach *Brotherly Love and Charity*.

Soon after the adjournment of the last Grand Lodge, I received a communication from Bro. David Jones, the last Master of St. John's Lodge, No. 96, Kinston, informing me that the Lodge had ceased to work, and the prospects unfavorable to have the Lodge revived ; at the same time suggesting the propriety of having the old Lodge building sold, which he stated was in a very dilapidated condition. I accordingly appointed Brothers Dr. H. W. Blount and Richard B. Taylor, a Committee to make sale and dispose of the property ; which was accordingly done ; and the proceeds (\$36) have been passed over to the Grand Treasurer. The Jewels and Clothing are in possession of Bro. Jones, former Master, subject to my order.

I now approach that subject which has engaged the deepest feelings of my heart for some years, and it is doubtless one of the most important measures upon which you will be called upon to act at this Communication. I allude to the proposition heretofore submitted for founding a Seminary. Agreeably to instructions of the last Grand Lodge, I issued a Circular to the Subordinate Lodges, informing them that this Seminary would be located at the present Communication. I trust each Lodge have sent their delegates, with instructions to this effect.

In accordance with instructions from that body also, an Agent was sent out during during the past Summer, to visit the Subordinate Lodges, and obtain contributions. He returned after some three or four weeks; having received no donations or appropriations; at the same time expressing his opinion that the proposition relative to the Seminary was favorably received by the Lodges which he visited, and believed that it would eventually meet their hearty co-operation. I can conceive of no measures, by which the Subordinate Lodges can be brought to act with decision on this subject, but to locate this Seminary—appoint a Committee to draft a plan of the buildings, and lay the Corner Stone. If this is done I have sufficient confidence in the Masons of North Carolina to believe, that they will carry the project onward; that the building will rise from its corner stone to its completion, and that we shall soon have established an Institution which will fully meet the wants of the Order, and reflect its beauty and glory to the eye of the world.

I see no reason for reversing the decision of the last Grand Lodge, in regard to this subject. I believe now, as I believed then, that the subject should be finally disposed of before this body adjourns. Either that the Seminary should be located, and measures taken for the erection of the buildings, or, that the proposition should be for the present rejected. This recommendation is made by me in order that the Subordinate Lodges, if they are to expect no aid from this quarter, may adopt such means for the education of the destitute within their jurisdiction according to their several circumstances. I do not think this project should be deferred upon the plea of inability. No one believes this, no Mason can urge it. If every little band of Christians, in every village in the State, can build beautiful and commodious Churches, for the worship of God; and can pay their clergy, annual salaries equal to the interest on Ten Thousand Dollars, most assuredly, three or four thousand Masons, embracing the wealthiest men of the State, are able to build a Seminary upon the basis of Fifteen Thousand Dollars.

I do not believe this subject ought to be deferred on the plea that there may be an indefinable, indistinct opposition, in some sections of the State. No day has ever yet dawned upon any great and noble enterprise, that has not met with more or less opposition to its accomplishment. All books of history are full of examples, from Creation's time till the present moment. All the great Lawgivers and Benefactors of the world have had to encounter opposition. Moses, Socrates, Solon, Washington, all felt it—but it vanished before their paths like

mists before the Morning Sun, while their names and their deeds, like the Sun, shine fair and bright above the abyss of darkness in which their opponents lie buried.

Besides all this, delay weakens not opposition, but rather confirms and strengthens it. Unreasonable procrastination makes the active and the vigilant indifferent; and the idle and careless more so. The former become disgusted and discouraged; while the latter believe their ground firm, and their reasons for opposition tenable. Their half-formed, shadowy phantoms of fright and fancy take shape and distinctness, and become downright, walking pale-faced ghosts. Can you reclaim a man of this character? Can you make darkness *lightness*? Can you empty the sea with a thimble? Try it. This man's error has become fixed; his resolution a part of his being, which no reason can eradicate, no fire can burn out. If there are Masons opposed to this School, upon what grounds do they build their opposition? What do they propose? What do they wish? Do they desire to do nothing for this Fraternity? Were such a proposition made to any Mason, he would reject it with scorn and indignation, as an insult to his understanding, and a base reflection upon his moral character, as a man, and as a member of this Order. Consequently, I believe it to be a truth, which needs no argument to prove, that every Mason is desirous of appropriating whatever means and time he can spare to promote the charitable principle of this Fraternity.

But how are they to do this? As a general rule, there are but two ways by which Masons can show their zeal and activity for this highly honorable Institution. First: They are expected to relieve the temporary necessities of those who have claims upon them. Secondly: They are required to give a sound, practical, and moral education to the children of destitute Masons. God has so blessed our State with a mild, genial climate, abundance and prosperity, that there are but very few persons who do not, by their own exertions, provide themselves with the comforts and necessaries of life. Consequently, the only field left open for the exercise of Charity and Benevolence, is that of Education. And here there is room for great exertion, and noble efforts. Although there are but few good Schools in North Carolina, in proportion to its extent and territory, yet almost every Church, and every other Order, have their Schools except that of Freemasonry. There are about Twenty-Five Hundred *active Masons* under your jurisdiction; and there are about two children for every Twenty-five Masons, who have not the means of acquiring an education: Making, in all, about two Hundred, who are swiftly approaching the terrible destiny of a dark and ignorant manhood. If this is a correct statement, (and I believe it to be nearly so,) for the past ten years, during which the subject of this Seminary has been agitated before this Grand Lodge, and appeals made to the Fraternity throughout the State, Two Hundred children, who have claims upon this Fraternity, have passed the bounds of instruction, and gone forth to battle with the storms and tempests of life—have launched their barks upon that dark, savage ocean, upon which no sun ever rises, no star ever

shines— whose terrible billows move onward, and forever onward, in darkness, reaching no harbour of sunshine, no haven of peace, until they break upon the shores of eternity. This is a terrible state of things—a state which I trust will no longer exist. In view of all that has been said before, and on the present occasion, I leave the subject in your hands, trusting,—confidently trusting,—that you will so dispose of it as to do honor to yourselves, and credit to our *glorious Institution*.

The duty imposed upon the Most Worshipful Grand Master, of appointing a Committee of Seven, to revise the Constitution, and report Bye-Laws for the Government of this Grand Lodge, has been performed; and I presume their Report will be presented for your consideration in due time.

In behalf of the Grand Lodge, I may be permitted here to return the thanks of this body to Bro. JOHN DOVE, of Virginia, for a copy of "The Masonic Text Book," of which he is the author. It is a clear and methodical Digest of Masonic Law, the possession of which every Mason should avail himself. The History which it gives of our Institution is clear, comprehensive and satisfactory.

You will please allow me, my Brethren, to impress upon you, and to solicit your aid in impressing upon the Members of the respective Lodges you represent, the great importance of a strict and rigid adherence to our principles. This is indispensable, not only to the success of our Institution, but to the benevolent ends we have in view.

Let us speak to the world through our example, even more forcibly than through our precepts. Let not malevolence charge us with mere empty professions. Let not our Institution become a mere doctrine of formalism. But let us demonstrate, *by our acts*, that our aim is to benefit mankind,—to relieve the unfortunate,—to elevate the human character,—to attune the head and the feelings to all the kindlier sympathies and nobler impulses of our nature. And especially let us recollect, that, in our mission of doing good to man, our first duty is to our brethren; to those who have a right to appeal to us by those Mystic relations which every Mason so well understands, or ought to understand.

Allow me to say in conclusion, that our grateful adorations are especially due to the Great Author of all good, for his providential, care over us individually, for the advancement of our principles, and for his mercy in saving us of this State from that dreadful scourge of the pestilence which has swept over the civilized world since our last annual meeting.

Accept my renewed assurance for your high regard, and the only regret I have in reviewing my administration of the affairs of this Grand Lodge, is to be found in the fact, that I have not been more useful. Yet, so long as I am connected with the Lodge, it will afford me great pleasure to labor for the promotion of our time honored Institution, in its various relations and interests. I trust you will convey to the brethren whom you represent, my renewed feelings of gratitude, and may your deliberations at this Communication, be directed by the

Author of all good, so as to promote and establish the interest of the Craft in this State, and to cause every virtue we profess to live and flourish, is the desire and prayer of your unworthy Brother.

On motion of Bro. William Stedman, a Special Committee, consisting of Bros. William Gott, Peter Custis, James Dodd, R. G. Rankin and J. W. Cosby were appointed on that part of the address relating to Columbus Lodge, No. 102, Pittsboro'.

The Committees on Credentials and on Charters and Dispensations, submitted Reports in part, and time was granted them to sit again, and report finally.

The following Committees were appointed :

#### ON GRAND TREASURER'S ACCOUNTS.

Bros. R. W. Seawell, Abel Marshall and Robt. S. French.

#### COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

Bros. E. Smallwood, R. G. Rankin, and Joab Hiatt.

#### COMMITTEE ON GRAND MASTER'S COMMUNICATION.

Bros. N. F. Reid, Jno. W. Cosby, J. M. Cox, John A. Hanks, and William Stedman.

#### COMMITTEE ON PROPOSITIONS AND GRIEVANCES.

Bros. Blackmer, French, Custis, Holden, Cox, Rowland, and Stedman.

On motion of Bro. Bachelor,

*It was Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge refund to Bro. T. J. Judkins, seventy five dollars, with interest from the 3rd July, 1843, it being the amount paid for the Johnson Caswell Lodge, Warrenton.

On motion of Bro. N. F. Reid,

*It was Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge will, on Thursday morning, 10 o'clock, proceed to designate the location of the Seminary of Learning, which she proposes to establish within her Jurisdiction.

Bro. Joseph J. Harper asked leave of absence, and appointed Bro. H. W. Miller, his proxy for the balance of the session.

Bro. Everett Peterson appointed Bro. Robt. G. Rankin, his proxy for the balance of the session.

Bro. Joab Hiatt introduced the following Resolutions, which were unanimously adopted.

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to Bro. J. Wiseman, for the handsome present made through Bro. W. J. Clarke to the Grand Lodge, of the Engraving of the Statue of Washington.

*Resolved*, That a Committee of two be appointed to transmit the foregoing Resolution to Bro. Wiseman, and to have the Engraving properly framed and placed in this Hall.

Bros. Joab Hiatt and W. J. Clarke, compose said Committee.

The following Brethren compose the Committee on Returns and Communications from Subordinate Lodges:

Bros. C. P. Mendenhall, Luke Blackmer, Edward Smallwood, and Jno. A. Hanks.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment until tomorrow evening, the 5th instant, at half past 6 o'clock.

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 5, 1849.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Grand Chaplain, John F. Speight.

PRESENT:

M. W. WILLIAM COLLINS, G. M.  
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 " " JOHN W. COSBY, G. J. D.  
 " " JAMES DODD, G. M.  
 " " T. S. UTLEY, G. S. B.  
 " " D. YOUNG, G. P.  
 " " R. W. ASHTON, G. T.



## LODGES REPRESENTED.

St. John's, No. 1; R. W. Hart, No. 2; St. John's, No. 3; Phœnix, No. 8; Phalanx, No. 31; Hiram, No. 40; Concord, No. 58; Perseverance, No. 59; Golden Fleece No. 74; Greensboro', No. 76; Fellowship, 84; Joseph Warren, 92; Wake Forest, 97; Hiram, 98; Fulton, 99; Columbus, 102; Perquimans, 106; Belmont, 108; Wentworth, 111; Wayne, 112; Person, 113, St. Alban's, 114; Holly Spring, 115; Germanton, 116; W. R. Davie, 119.

## VISITERS.

E. Dupree, James Rogers, A. W. Betts, A. J. Woodward, A. Leslie, J. F. Rogers, Thomas Young, H. H. Hatch, Calvin Rogers, Ivey Chappell, W. B. Holland, K. W. Petersilia, O. L. Burch, Isaac Proctor, J. W. Kirkland, James Litchford, J. D. Newsom, E. Smith, Hinton Hudson, N. A. Stedman, W. W. Johnson, P. G. S. W.; J. J. Christopher, P. G. S.; C. H. Johnson, D. B. Griffin, — Allen.

## ADDITIONAL RETURNS.

Germanton Lodge, No. 116, Bro. W. R. Pepper.  
 Perseverance Lodge, 59, Bro. W. G. Hill.  
 Franklin Lodge, 109, no one.  
 Johnston Caswell, 10, Bros. Jones, Turnbull, and Judkins.  
 Tuscarora, 122, Bros. Thad. O. McClanahan, and P. W. Archer.  
 Franklinton, 123, Bros. H. W. Miller and L. A. Jeffreys.  
 Clinton, 124, Bro. Davis Young.  
 American George, 17, Bro. Thos. J. Lemay.  
 Mount Lebanon, 117, Bro. B. C. Watson.

Bro. W. Mead, who was appointed Representative of Charity Lodge, No. 78, Windsor, transferred his representative power to Bro. James T. Marriott, which was ratified by the Grand Lodge.

On motion of Bro. Jno. F. Speight,

*Ordered*, That the proceedings be so changed as to read Mount Lebanon Lodge at *Wilson*, instead of "*Tosnot Depot*."

The Committee on the Treasurer's Accounts submitted their Report, which was adopted, and on motion, the Grand Treasurer was directed to destroy the bill of ten dollars, (counterfeit,) referred to in their Report, and that he credit his account with the same.

The Committee to whom was referred the Examination of the Grand Treasurer's Accounts, have carefully examined the same, and beg leave to report that they find that he has received from the Grand Secretary, the sum of six hundred and fifty-one dollars and twenty-five cents, (\$651,25.) From the Grand Master the sum of thirty-six dol-

lars, (\$36,) which together with the amount on hand from the last Communication, makes the sum of eight hundred and forty-four dollars and fifty cents, (\$844,50.

The Grand Treasurer has disbursed under orders of the Grand Master, the sum of four hundred and thirty four dollars and nineteen cents, (\$434,19.) This sum, together with five per cent. commissions on six hundred and eighty-seven dollars and twenty-five cents, (\$687,25, the amount which has come into his hands since the last annual Communication, leaves a balance in his hands of three hundred and seventy-five dollars and ninety-five cents, (\$375,95.)

It is represented to your committee that there was paid to the Gr. Secretary, one counterfeit ten dollar bill which is included in the balance above.

Your committee have very great pleasure in testifying to the very correct manner in which the accounts of the Grand Treasurer have been kept. All which is very respectfully submitted.

R. J. FRENCH,  
A. MARSHALL,  
R. W. SEAWELL.

The committee on Columbus Lodge, No. 102, submitted the following Report, which was adopted.

#### TO THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The committee to whom was referred that portion of the M. W. Grand Master's Address, relating to Columbus Lodge, No. 102, Pittsboro', beg leave to report ;

That from the evidence presented to the committee, the action of that Lodge has been irregular, and that due attention has not been paid to the constitution and edicts of this Grand Body.

It appears that a candidate for the degrees was presented to the Lodge; that the case was decided to be one of emergency, though the applicant resided within 30 miles of the Lodge Room; that on the first vote the ballot box was not clear; another ballot was called and the box was again not clear; there being two Black Balls, one of which was acknowledged to be an error. The box was again passed and one Black Ball appeared.

Previous circumstances and discussion led the W. M. to believe a mistake had occurred : and asked that the Brother voting it would make himself known, and state his reasons : and, no objection being made, the candidate was declared duly admitted, and the Degrees were immediately conferred upon him at one sitting, in direct violation of the regulations of this Grand Lodge.

The W. M. in having the Ballot Box passed three distinct times, and calling on the Brother for reasons, acted according to the By-Laws of his Lodge. Your Committee are of the opinion that the By-Laws regulating them in this matter are unconstitutional.

It is a settled principle in Masonry, "that one Black Ball rejects, without a question, except a second Ballot may be called to be satis-

fied of no mistake," and such, we understand is the regulation of this Grand Lodge; and Masters of Lodges cannot be too particular in enforcing it.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. RANKIN.

Whereupon, Bro. William Stedman presented the subjoined Resolution, which was laid upon the table:

*Resolved*, That Columbus Lodge, No. 102, in the instances of violation of the constitution and usage of the Grand Lodge, mentioned by the Special Committee to whom that portion of the Grand Master's Communication relating to said Lodge was referred, acted under authority of Bye-Laws that had been heretofore submitted to and approved by the Grand Lodge.

Bro. S. P. Horton, of Fellowship Lodge, No. 84, appointed Bro. J. H. Manly his proxy, for the balance of the session.

The committee on Charters and Dispensations made the following Report, which was adopted.

The committee on Charters and Dispensations beg leave to report that they have examined the work and proceedings of the following Lodges working under Dispensation, and though there is, in the estimation of your committee, some irregularity in the proceedings of some of them, yet we recommend that Charters be granted them.

Logan, Guilford,  
Johnson Caswell, Warrenton,  
Oxford, Granville,  
Sunbury, Gates, (to be Gatesville.)

Franklinton, Franklin,  
Palestine, Gold Hill,  
Clinton, Louisburg,  
Mill Creek, Johnston.

JOS. M. COX,  
JOAB HIATT,  
HENRY N. HOLDEN.

The committee on Charters and Dispensations, beg leave to complete their Report.

Neither Mill Creek Lodge, nor Concord have submitted their work to your committee; but the Officers of the first named have appeared before us, and from their description of their work, we are satisfied that they are competent to carry on the work of a regular Lodge, and recommend that a Charter be granted them.

Concord Lodge, we are assured, has not yet begun its labors.

Your committee would call the attention of the Grand Lodge to the fact, that Star in the East Lodge, Elizabeth City, has, for two or three years past, ceased to work. Their Hall is now occupied by another body.

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Having disposed of all business coming before us, of which we are aware your committee ask to be discharged.

JOS. M. COX,  
JOAB HIATT.

The committee on Grievances submitted their Report, when on motion of Bro. H. W. Miller, it was laid upon the table.

The committee on Bro. P. W. Dowd's appeal, asked and obtained leave to report the whole matter back to the Grand Lodge for their final action. Whereupon, the case was called up, and after a lengthy investigation, he was acquitted of all the charges preferred against him by Columbus Lodge, No. 102.

On motion of Bro. Thos. J. Lemay,

*Ordered*, That the sum of ten dollars be placed to the credit of American George Lodge, No. 17, being an overplus paid for dues of 1846.

On motion,

*It was Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge proceed to elect its Officers to-morrow evening, as soon as the regular business is disposed of.

Bro. G. W. Norwood appointed Bro. W. T. Bain his proxy for W. F. Lodge, No. 97, in this Grand Lodge, during the balance of the session.

Bro. B. Lee appointed Bro. W. T. Bain, his proxy for Mill Creek Lodge, No. 125, during the balance of the session.

Bro. Stedman was appointed Bro. B. B. Allen's proxy for Mill Creek Lodge, No. 125.

Bro. John H. Manly was appointed by Bro. Gaston Utley his proxy for Holly Spring Lodge, No. 115.

Bro. Jno. A Rowland was appointed proxy for Phoenix Lodge, No. 8, by Bro. James Dodd.

Bro. John Jeffreys appointed Bro. J. R. Harrison his proxy, for Wake Forest Lodge, No. 97.

Bro. James G. Jeffreys appointed Bro. W. J. Clarke his proxy, for Wake Forest Lodge, No. 97.

Bro. Thomas G. Whitaker is the proxy for Bro. T. S. Utley, of Holly Spring Lodge, No. 115.

Bro. T. J. Judkins appointed Bro. Jas. H. Moore, his proxy for Johnston Caswell Lodge, No. 10.

Bro. French introduced the following Resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That a committee of resident Brothers be appointed to examine and close, as far as practicable, the Grand Secretary's Book, and report to the next annual Communication.

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to examine the accounts of the Grand Secretary and report to the next annual Communication.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer hereafter, at each annual Communication, report to the Grand Lodge, a full statement of their proceedings respectively.

The Report of the Committee on Grievances was taken up, and adopted.

#### TO THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE OF N. C.

Your Committee on Grievances, after having investigated a number of cases that have come before them, would respectfully submit the following Report :

From Greensboro Lodge, No. 76, an expulsion case has been brought up for the confirmation of the Grand Lodge. It appears from an attested copy of the records of Greensboro' Lodge, No. 76, that during the past year Nathaniel G. Brannock, a Master Mason, and late a member of Greensboro' Lodge, was cited to appear before the Lodge at a stated Communication and answer certain specifications for unmasonic and grossly immoral conduct, which had been preferred against him. The said Brannock failed to put in any defense, and positive proof appearing of his guilt, he was expelled. The proceedings in the case were all regular, and your committee would recommend to the Grand Lodge to confirm the action taken in the case below.

From Wentworth Lodge, No. 111, a case of expulsion from the rights and privileges of Masonry has been brought up for the confirmation of the Grand Lodge, accompanied by a letter from him against whom proceedings were had, praying an order from the Grand Lodge for a new trial.

The case, as presented to your committee by an attested copy of the Lodge records, is as follows : It appears that during the past year charges were made against James T. Woodson, a former Officer of the Lodge, of unmasonic conduct, and a citation made for him to appear at the next regular Communication and answer the charges.—The defendant failing to appear at the specified time, his trial was post-

poned and a second citation was served upon him to appear at the next regular Communication, and he failing a second time to appear, was expelled, after an *ex parte* trial had in accordance with the Bye-Laws of the Lodge. In the opinion of your committee, some slight irregularities and irregularities appear in the records of the trial, but nothing which could prejudice or injure the cause of Mr. Woodson, or show that the Lodge was not disposed to give him a fair and impartial trial. Mr. Woodson prays your Most Worshipful Body to issue an order to Wentworth Lodge to grant a new trial, stating that he believes he can acquit himself of the charges. He gives no good reason why he did not obey the citations of his Lodge; no reason why he did not request a postponement of his trial, if he was unable then to defend himself; nor does he plead that injustice was done him by the Lodge.

Your committee, therefore, would recommend that this case be sent back to Wentworth Lodge for a new trial, not because the said Woodson is entitled to a new trial, but that they are of opinion that the proceedings in themselves correct, should appear before us in a different form.

Your committee have received two communications relative to the case of Joseph J. Ward, who was expelled from the late La Fayette Lodge, No. 86, for unmasonic conduct. One of these communications is signed by five members of Franklinton Lodge, No. 123, and states that for six or seven years past Mr. Ward has sustained a good character, and given evidences of reformation. The other communication is signed by nine individuals who were members of the La Fayette Lodge, No. 86, and states substantially the same facts regarding Mr. Ward's reformation; and both communications recommend that the Grand Lodge restore him to the full privileges of Masonic membership. Your committee were strongly inclined to report adversely in this case, on the grounds that he who has once brought dishonor upon the Fraternity should never be permitted to do it again; but as Mr. Ward's petition is recommended by fourteen brethren, we think the evidence of his reformation conclusive, and would recommend that he be restored to Masonic Membership.

L. BLACKMER, Ch'm'n.

The Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY MORNING, 10 O'CLOCK, DEC. 6, 1849.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

The Officers filling their respective stations.

A large representation and a number of visitors attended.

#### ADDITIONAL RETURNS.

Jerusalem Lodge, No. 95, Hookerton, Bro. E. G. Speight.

Bro. W. Stedman's Resolution submitted last evening was taken up, when Bro. Jordan moved this additional Resolution, which, with the original Resolution, was adopted.

*Resolved further*, That Columbus Lodge, No. 102, be instructed to repeal that Bye-Law of said Lodge, which requests a member voting against the petition of an applicant to give his reasons for his vote.

Propositions for the location of the Masonic College were submitted from

GREENSBOROUGH,  
PITTSBOROUGH,  
WENTWORTH,  
HOLLY SPRING,  
GERMANTON,  
RALEIGH.

And after a discussion of some length upon those propositions, the Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment, until half past two o'clock this evening.

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#### HALF PAST TWO O'CLOCK.

The Grand Lodge called from refreshment to labor.

The discussion of the Masonic College was resumed, and after which the Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment, until 8 o'clock this evening.

## EIGHT O'CLOCK.

The Grand Lodge called from refreshment to labor.

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

RALEIGH, DEC. 4, 1849.

The committee to examine Credentials of the different proxies and Representatives of the Subordinate Lodges, beg leave to report, that they have examined the Credentials of the following Lodges, to wit:

Phoenix	Lodge, No.	8,	Fayetteville,
Columbus	" "	102,	Pittsboro',
Phalanx	" "	31,	Charlotte,
Hiram	" "	40,	Raleigh,
Greensboro	" "	76,	Greensboro',
St John's	" "	3,	Newbern,
St. John's	" "	1,	Wilmington,
Wake Forest	" "	97,	Wake Forest,
Golden Fleece	" "	74,	Milton,
Perquimans	" "	106,	Hertford,
Wentworth	" "	111,	Wentworth,
Person	" "	113,	Roxboro',
St. Alban's	" "	114,	Lumberton,
Fulton	" "	99,	Salisbury,
Hiram	" "	78,	Clinton,
Wayne	" "	112,	Everettsville,
Concord,	" "	58,	Tarboro',
Fellowship	" "	84,	Smithfield,
W. R. Davie	" "	119,	Lexington,
Germanton	" "	116,	Germanton,
Perseverance	" "	59,	Plymouth,
Joseph Warren	" "	92,	Stantonsburg
Belmont	" "	108,	Duplin,
Holly Spring	" "	115,	Wake Co.
Oxford	" "		Oxford,
American George	" "	17,	Murfreesboro',
Charity	" "	78,	Windsor,
Logan	" "		Jamestown,
Jerusalem	" "	95,	Hookerton.

And that we found them all correct.

ED. F. SMALLWOOD,  
N. F. REID,  
WM. GOTT.



The Reports of the Committees on Foreign Correspondence, on the Grand Master's Communication, and on Claims, were postponed for farther action.

On motion, it was resolved that the Grand Lodge proceed to the

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS,

for the ensuing year. The following brethren were duly elected :

WILLIAM F. COLLINS, G. M.  
 WILLIAM G. HILL, G. S. W.  
 JOAB HIATT, G. J. W.  
 C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T.  
 WILLIAM T. BAIN, G. S.

R. W. Clement H. Jordan was re-appointed Dep. Gr. Master.

The Grand Master, Dep. Grand Master, and the Grand Wardens were duly installed by Bro. L. L. Stevenson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

Bros. N. G. Jones and P. J. Turnbull, representatives of Johnston Caswell Lodge, No. 10, appointed Bro. J. H. Moore as their proxy during the balance of the session of the G. L.

Bro. B. C. Watson appointed Bro. E. Speight his proxy for Mount Lebanon Lodge, No. 117, for the balance of the session.

The discussion on the location of the Masonic College was resumed, and when it was closed, a vote was ordered thereon, which resulted as follows :

GREENSBORO	56
RALEIGH	55

When the result was announced, a motion was made to reconsider, which motion was laid on the table.

Bro. Joseph M. Cox, Master of Perquimans Lodge, No. 106, and Delegate of Sunbury Lodge, No. 126, appointed Bro. T. J. Lemay his proxy for those Lodges for the balance of the session.

Bro. E. Sauls appointed Bro. E. G. Speight his proxy for Joseph Warren Lodge, No. 92, for the balance of the session.

Bro. Alsey Hunter appointed Brother William D. Haywood his proxy for Holly Springs Lodge, No. 115.

Bro. William R. Pepper, the Representative from Germanton Lodge, No. 116, had leave to withdraw his proposition for locating the Masonic Seminary in that place.

Bro. Wm. Stedman had leave to withdraw his proposition in favor of Pittsboro'.

Bro. N. F. Reid withdrew his proposition in favor of Wentworth.

Bro. Aalsey Hunter in favor of Holly Spring.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committees.

#### ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Bros. H. W. Miller, W. J. Clarke, J. W. Cox, T. J. Lemay, and E. B. Freeman,

#### ON THE SUBJECT OF EMPLOYING A LECTURER.

The Grand Master, Dep. Grand Master, and Bro. W. G. Hill.

#### EXAMINING AND PUBLISHING COMMITTEE.

Bros. W. G. Hill, J. W. Cosby, and R. W. Seawell.

Bro. John A. Hanks, of Columbus Lodge, No. 102, appointed Bro. P. McKay his proxy for said Lodge.

The Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

### TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 7, 1849, 9 O'CLOCK.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment—the Officers in their respective places.

#### LODGES REPRESENTED.

St. John's Lodge, No. 1; Royal White Hart, 2; Phœnix 8; American George, 17; Phalanx, 31; Hiram, 40; Concord, 58; Perseverance, 59; Greensboro', 76; Fellowship, 84; Joseph Warren, 92; Jerusalem, 95 Wake Forest, 97; Hiram 98; Columbus, 102; Perquimans, 106; Belmont, 108; Wentworth, 111; Wayne, 113; St. Alban's, 114; Holly Springs, 115; Germanton, 116; Mount Lebanon, 117; Palestine, 120; Logan, 121; Tuscarora, 122; Franklinton, 123; Clinton, 124; Mill Creek, 125; Sunbury, 126; Johnson Caswell, 10.

The Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary were duly installed into office by the Grand Master.

The Grand Master made the following appointments:

REV. JNO. F. SPEIGHT, G. C.  
 R. G. RANKIN, G. J. D.  
 LUKE BLACKMER, G. S. D.  
 PETER J. TURNBULL, G. M.  
 JOHN A. ROWLAND, G. S. B.  
 E. G. SPEIGHT, G. P.  
 R. W. ASHTON, G. T.

— The Committee on Foreign Communications submitted their Report, which was read and received.

Bro. Hiatt submitted the following Resolution, which was adopted.

*Resolved*, That all Masters of Subordinate Lodges, shall be hereafter required, in all cases, to open a Master Mason's Lodge first, and all business connected with the Lodge be transacted in this Degree, except the Conferring of Degrees or Lectures, which appertain to the Fellow Craft or Entered apprentice Degree.

Bro. Rankin submitted a Resolution, which was laid upon the table.

Bro. E. G. Speight presented the following Resolution, which was adopted.

*Resolved*, That the dues of Jerusalem Lodge, No. 95, Hookerton, from 1839 to 1845 inclusive, be remitted.

The Report of the Committee on the Grand Master's Communication was read and adopted, with Bro. Jordan's amendment.

The committee on the very able and interesting Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Master to this Grand Lodge, at its present session, beg leave to report;

That in addition to the gratification derived from hearing it read in open Lodge, they have done themselves the pleasure of re-perusing the Document; and abounding as it does in so much general interest to the Craft, we can do no less than urge upon the Subordinate Lodges through their delegates here assembled, and to every Mason belonging thereto, a careful perusal and strict attention to the sentiments expressed in the same.

Many of the subjects alluded to in said Communication, have already been referred to Special Committees; therefore your committee do not feel called upon to speak of them. And the subject of Education, of such vital interest to the Fraternity, and so forcibly recommended to the attention of this Body by our M. W. Grand Master, and in regard to which such valuable suggestions were made in said address, having been brought fully before the Lodge by special Resolution, it is unnecessary that your committee should here notice it.

Your committee recommend that the state of affairs in New York

and Louisiana be referred to the committee on Foreign Correspondence.

In relation to the demand for uniformity of work, we heartily approve of the recommendation of the M. W. Grand Master, and in order to carry the same into effect, we offer the following Resolution, viz:

*Resolved*, That the Chair appoint a committee of three, of whom one shall be the Grand Master, whose duty it shall be to procure the services of some Brother, well skilled in the mysteries of Masonry, as Grand Lecturer for the State, at such stated salary as may be agreed upon, whose duty it shall be to visit every working Lodge in the State, and Lecture and illustrate the work of the three first degrees of Masonry, until those who will learn are well skilled in the Craft.—*Provided however*, That he shall not be compelled to remain at any one Lodge for more than one week in active labor; and in view of the fact of the reputed unhealthiness of the climate, if the said Grand Lecturer should hesitate to visit the Eastern part of the State in the Summer months, he be instructed to visit those Lodges in that section (if his services can be procured in time,) during the Winter and Spring months. And that every Subordinate Lodge having his services, pay into the funds of this Grand Lodge at its next annual Communication, the sum of \$ for such services. And further, that such Grand Lecturer, when so appointed, shall be an Agent for the Masonic Seminary, to receive subscriptions from Lodges or individuals disposed to give.

In connection with the Gr. Master's Address, there was submitted to your committee a Communication from A. T. Jerkins, Master of St. John's Lodge, No. 3, in relation to Masons becoming members of one Lodge, while their names are still on the books of another as members. Your committee offer the following Resolution:

*Resolved*, That this Grand Lodge do hereby instruct all Subordinate Lodges, working under its Jurisdiction, to receive no Ancient Mason as a member, who does not produce a Certificate of Withdrawal from the Lodge to which he last belonged.

There was also a Communication handed your committee in connection with the Grand Master's Address, from E. Myers of Fulton Lodge, in relation to the appointment of District Deputy Grand Masters. Your committee do not think it necessary to recommend any action upon that subject, as there can be but one D. G. M. for the State under our present constitution.

Respectfully submitted.

JOS. M. COX,  
WM. STEDMAN,  
N. F. REID.

Amendment by Bro. C. H. Jordan;

As the work of Gr. Lecturer and College Agent cannot be effectually done by the same individual; Therefore,

*Resolved*, That the report of the committee of the G. M's Address, be so amended that two gentleman be appointed—ono to be constituted a Gr. Lecturer, and the other a General Agent for our proposed Seminary. And further, that these individuals be appointed by a vote of the G. L., instead of by a committee as recommended in that report.

The Report of the Travelling Agent to solicit subscriptions, was read and received, and ordered to be spread upon the Minutes.

To WILLIAM F. COLLINS, M. W. G. M. }  
 C. W. D. HUTCHINGS, G. T. } Committee, &c.  
 WILLIAM G. HILL. }

BRETHREN:

By a Commission issued by you, in the month of May last, I was empowered to act as the Agent of the Grand Lodge for the collection of funds wherewith to endow a Masonic Seminary of Learning.

Approving the object of the Grand Lodge in this regard, I accepted the Commission and sat out on a tour of duty; and it was agreed between us that I should be at liberty to resign my Commission whenever I thought proper so to do.

I visited, in the course of the Summer, the towns of Hillsboro', Greensboro', Milton, Jamestown, Lexington, Salisbury and Charlotte; and by this time the sickly season coming on, I suspended my labors as Agent, and have not since resumed them.

I did not succeed in obtaining any subscriptions; and I soon discovered that a different plan from that recommended by the Gr. Lodge would have to be pursued. No one can travel over North Carolina and set the precise days at which he will arrive at the different towns; and this being the case, meetings of the Lodges will have to be called after the arrival of the Agent. These hastily called meetings are necessarily thinly attended; and an Agent, when he goes into such meetings, finds that it would be folly to make a laboured speech concerning the object of his mission. He ought, too, before he makes his speech, to see all the brethren in any given neighborhood—to talk freely with them, solve their doubts, give them all necessary information, and then be enabled to be present to press his object on some happy occasion, when there is a full attendance of the Brethren.

The necessary attendance of husbandmen on their farms during the Summer—the presence of pestilence, and a variety of other cases hindered my usefulness in my mission during the Summer—and I was unable to do more than sow seed which may hereafter produce fruit. I found that very few were aware of the objects of the Grand Lodge in the premises—still fewer understood properly those objects—with those who did understand them but little could be done as yet.

Wherever I went I gave all the information I could—endeavored to remove doubts, to awaken enthusiasm, and kindle a spirit of harmony and good will. This was all I was able to accomplish; and for this I accepted with reluctance a sum necessary to cover my expenses. I asked no other remuneration; and I most sincerely regretted and still regret that circumstances made these expenses so great and caused me to do so little good.

Before I conclude this report I desire to make a few suggestions, as the result of my experience and observation; and I hope they will be taken in the spirit in which they are made, and be believed to be made by one who has deliberated much and anxiously on the subject in question.

1. The location of the College must be settled before funds can be raised to begin it. This question of location is a serious stumbling block; and I am decidedly of impression that, until it is determined, the benevolent intentions of the Grand Lodge will be utterly useless. As to the place of location it is not my province to advise; but I would earnestly recommend, in this matter, a dispassionate, disinterested and charitable spirit.

2. I would advise that a different plan for the raising of subscriptions be adopted. A travelling agent can accomplish but little; he will have to give his undivided time to the matter, and for this, of course, should be paid. He would have to visit every Lodge in the State three or four times; and ought to be engaged in the matter assiduously for several years. To induce a man of character, intelligence and energy to act as such agent, a liberal compensation would have to be given; and it would not, in my judgment, be proper to permit him to Lecture the Lodges on other subjects. In view of these considerations I would respectfully recommend that local agents be appointed; and that these agents be allowed, by way of remuneration, a certain *per cent.* on all they may collect. Let one be selected within the bounds of each Subordinate Lodge in the State; and let each of these be subordinate to a general agent in Raleigh, and keep with him a regular and constant correspondence. In this way every brother in the State will be kept informed of the progress of the Institution—every Lodge and every member be stimulated to exertion; and this stimulus will be constant, energetic and applied at the most proper seasons.

Finally, brethren, I would through you, appeal to the Fraternity in behalf of the cause which we have undertaken. As *Men*, as *Carolinians*, as *Masons*, it is our duty to exert ourselves in this matter—an object worthy of Christians, of public-spirited citizens, of workers under the Great Master Mason. As men, enjoying yourselves the benefits of education, you must know something of the unhappy effect of ignorance. Knowledge, it has been said, is power; it may, with equal propriety, be said to be happiness. Aptly has it been compared to light, while ignorance is really darkness, disturbing the soul with spectral apparitions and alarming visions.

Have you not observed as the shades of evening thicken into gloom, how living creatures grow timid and distrustful? That in the night men are fearful and go tremblingly about, the startled imagination peopling the darkness with strange and monstrous shapes, and converting objects dimly seen into phantoms of terror? And have you not observed how the morning light kindles a smile on the face of Nature, animate and inanimate? How it inspires all living things with a cheerful spirit, their fears, superstitions and forebodings giving place to joy, confidence and courage?

Such, precisely, are the different effects, of ignorance and knowledge on the mind. The one is craven; it makes its victim the slave of fear, the most debasing of all passions, and he timidly gropes his way through life, his darkened soul perpetually startled with vis-

ions of terror. The life of such is a prolonged death; and can you, my brethren, knowing the fact, and knowing from what a cruel imprisonment you yourselves have escaped, can you behold with unmoved feelings the pitiable condition of your fellow creatures?

Happiness is the end and aim of all men; and the happiness of immortals must consist in one of two occupations. To the unreasoning brute that perishes life is its only boon; but the eternal mind of man must have action. It must *work*, for labour is its happiness; and it must work for good or for evil. It must build under the Almighty Architect; or it must pull down as a co-laborer with the Great Destroyer. These are the two vocations in which all immortal beings are engaged; and let me warn you that you may be destroying when you know it not.

As men, then, as immortal beings and co-workers with immortal spirits, we should do what we can to ransom from darkness the souls of those who cry to us from their prisons. A sum which we might not miss—a sum which is often spent in a sensual pleasure that leaves only a sting, might burst the fetters of a neighbour—might release some caged intellect of boundless capabilities, and send it on a career of happiness and usefulness. It is a common desire among men to leave monuments of their work behind them; but monuments of brass and stone will crumble and fall, and even types grow dim with coming ages, while one ransomed spirit will through all eternity, be a living chronicle of the good deeds of its benefactor! The fellow-creatures whom we help to release from darkness, crime and death will be records of our benefactions for angels to read; the wretches whom by neglect we injure will live to curse us forever!

As North Carolinians we have a duty to perform; we owe it to our State to do what we can to redeem it from the reproach of ignorance. Until the people are educated we will try in vain to establish roads, dig canals, and begin a better system of Agriculture; for education is the first and greatest of all improvements.

Lastly, I would allude, most respectfully, to what I conceive to be our duties in this matter as Masons, jealous of the glory and anxious to promote the prosperity of our Order. This Institution has existed in North Carolina for many years; it has existed and flourished.—What has it done? Where are the monuments of its utility? That it has edified its members and clothed and fed the needy widow and orphan, we all know; and it must also have had some effect in subduing the bad passions of the brethren. What else has it done? Is it now even doing this? Do we not see that brethren quickly withdraw; that Lodges are thinly attended, and that other Orders are gaining on us?

I am not one who would have our Order conform itself to the opinions of the world, or rather be influenced by idle prejudices; and if we are doing good it is not altogether important to proclaim it to the world. Public applause is not our object; but it is one of our objects to act worthy of the admiration of all good men. Have we made the best use of our opportunities for doing good?

Brethren we have a Temple to build; a Temple whose glories will far out-live those of Solomon's at Jerusalem. We can have a common object to unite us; a work to be achieved and that will gather back into the folds of the Lodges the retired brethren, draw numbers to us daily, and elevate our Order in the estimation of all good men. Let us keep pace with the progressive spirit of the age in which we live; let us progress towards an end, propose to ourselves a great object, and it will revivify Masonry and bring happiness and honor to ourselves. We can have that object in the cause of Education—an object the most glorious that ever yet engaged the attention or the affections of men. The children of destitute brethren are perishing in ignorance around us; let us redeem them and they will, as stars, crown our souls with immortal gladness and glory!—Brethren, let us begin this Temple, and look humbly and confidently to the Great Master Mason who will assuredly pay to each one of the Craft the wages that he may earn.

My Commission I will return in a few days.

Faternally,

C. H. WILEY.

The Committee on Returns from Subordinate Lodges, made their Report, which was adopted.

The Committtee appointed to examine the Returns and Communications from Subordinate Lodges, beg leave to submit the annexed Report, which contains Returns and dues paid :

St. John's	Lodge, No.	1, Wilmington,	\$15 00
R. White Hart,	" "	2, Halifax,	15 00
St. John's,	" "	3, Newbern,	15 00
Phœnix,	" "	8, Fayetteville,	15 00
Amer. George,	" "	17, Murfreesboro', in part for	10 00
Phalanx,	" "	31, Charlotte,	[1849 15 00
Hiram,	" "	40, Raleigh,	15 00
Concord,	" "	58, Tarborough,	15 00
Golden Fleece,	" "	74, Milton,	15 00
Greensboro',	" "	76, Greensborough,	15 00
Charity,	" "	78, Windsor,	15 00
Fellowship,	" "	84, Smithfield, in part,	10 00
Morning Star,	" "	85, Nashville,	15 00
Shewarkee,	" "	90, Williamston,	15 00
Joseph Warren,	" "	92, Stantonsburg,	15 00
Jerusalem,	" "	95, Hookerton,	15 00
Wake Forest,	" "	97, Wake County,	15 00
Hiram,	" "	98, Clinton,	45 00
Columbus,	" "	102, Pittsborough,	15 00
Perquimans,	" "	106, Hertford,	15 00
Belmont,	" "	108, Duplin County,	15 00
Franklin,	" "	109, Beaufort,	15 00



Wentworth, Lodge, No. 111, Rockingham,	15 00
Wayne, " " 112, Everittsville,	15 00
Person, " " 113, Roxborough,	15 00
St. Alban's, " " 114, Lumberton,	15 00
Holly Springs, " " 115, Wake County,	15 00
Geimanton, " " 116, Stokes County,	15 00
Mt. Lebanon, " " 117, Wilson, Edg. County,	15 00
Eagle, " " 71, Hillsborough,	15 00
Zion, " " 81, Trenton,	15 00
Mount Hermon, " " 118, Asheville,	15 00

Received for Charters and Dispensations, \$500 00  
84 00

All of which is respectfully submitted, \$584 00

L. BLACKMER,  
CYRUS P. MENDENHALL.

The committee on claims made their Report, which was adopted.

### TO THE M. W. GRAND LODGE OF NORTH CAROLINA.

The committee on claims beg leave to report, that the following documents, handed them, have been examined and found correct.

Raleigh Register, advertising,	\$4 00
Raleigh Times, " "	2 50
W. W. Holden, " "	2 75
T. J. Lemay, " "	2 00
H. D. Turner, Record Books,	7 00

\$10 25

An Account of Bro. N. L. Stith, from some cause has been suffered to remain against the Grand Lodge for a number of years. By a Certificate of P. G. M. Wheeler, recorded in the Books of Bro. Stith, the articles appears to have been ordered by him as Grand Master. The faith of this Grand Body is therefore pledged for the payment of this account, amounting in principal and interest to \$40,27. We recommend the payment of the account.

Respectfully submitted,

JOAB HIATT,  
R. G. RANKIN,  
EDW'D. F. SMALLWOOD.

The Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment, until 3 o'clock.

FRIDAY EVENING, 3 O'CLOCK, DECEMBER 7, 1849.

The Grand Lodge met, pursuant to adjournment. The Officers in their respective stations.

The Committee to whom was referred the Revision of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, asked, and obtained leave to report back to this body the old Constitution for its present regulation and government.

Bro. R. G. Rankin's Resolution was called up, and adopted, as follows:

*Resolved*, That a Committee of Three be appointed, to prepare a Digest of all the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Lodge, now in force, since its organization; and that said Digest be published with the Proceedings of this Communication.

Bros. William J. Clarke, R. G. Rankin, and C. P. Mendenhall compose that Committee.

The Masonic College was called up, and after a discussion thereon, the Grand Lodge took a recess until 7 o'clock this evening.

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FRIDAY EVENING, 7 O'CLOCK.

The Grand Lodge met, pursuant to adjournment—R. W. Deputy Grand Master in the Chair.

ADDITIONAL RETURNS.

Eagle Lodge, No. 71, Hillsborough.—Bro. E. A. Heartt.

The Masonic College was again called up for consideration.

Brother Thaddeus McLennahan offered the following Resolution; which was adopted; there being a constitutional number of Representatives present;

*Resolved*, That the vote of last evening in regard to the location of the proposed Masonic Institution ought to be reconsidered.

Brother William F. Collins, G. M. submitted the following Resolutions; which were unanimously adopted:

*Resolved by this Grand Lodge,* That in view of all the circumstances connected with the location of this Seminary, (recommended by the last Grand Lodge to be located by the present Grand Lodge) it is expedient that this location be deferred for the action of the next Grand Lodge.

*Resolved further,* That the Subordinate Lodges under this Jurisdiction be urged to send up a full representation for this purpose.

Bro. W. F. Collins, G. M. presented the following Resolutions, which were read and adopted.

*Resolved,* That this Grand Lodge appoint a Brother as Grand Lecturer of the State, who shall receive for his services such compensation as may be agreed upon between him and the Subordinate Lodges, receiving his services, to be paid by said Lodges.

*Resolved,* That a Seminary Agent be appointed by the Lodge, whose duty it shall be to travel throughout the State, and urge and solicit subscriptions and donations for the support of the said Institution; and that he shall receive for his services, as Agent, the sum of three hundred dollars per annum, to be paid out of the Grand Treasury, upon the order of the Grand Master, and five per centum on the cash collections and donations taken by him, and two and a half per cent. on the good subscriptions and scholarships which he may receive.

*Resolved,* That in the event of the resignation or death of either the Lecturer or Agent, in the recess of this Body, the M. W. G. M. be empowered and requested to fill the vacancy.

*Resolved further,* That the Seminary Agent be authorised to sell scholarships, for the purpose of sustaining the said Seminary, at dollars each; and that he be authorised to sell not more than an average of three scholarships within the jurisdiction of each Subordinate Lodge, with the express understanding that the money arising from the sale of these scholarships shall be invested for the endowment of scholarships.

On motion of Bro. L. W. Bachelor,

*It was Resolved,* That the Grand Lodge reconsider the vote just had pertaining to the Grand Lecturer.

Bro. Henry W. Miller presented the following Resolution, which was adopted.

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*Resolved*, That a Committee of three be appointed by the M. W. G. Master, whose duty it shall be to issue an Address to the Lodges of the State collectively, and a Circular Letter to each of the regular and retired Masons of the State, urging upon them the importance of establishing the contemplated Masonic Seminary, and soliciting their aid in behalf of the same; and that the expense of printing said Addresses be paid out of the Funds of the Grand Lodge.

Henry W. Miller, E. B. Freeman, and W. J. Clarke were appointed the Committee, in pursuance with the above Resolution.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Communications was again taken up, and adopted.

The Chairman of the Committee made the following Report:

The Committee on Correspondence have been furnished by the Grand Secretary with the Proceedings, for the years 1847 and '48, of the Grand Lodges of Maine, New Hampshire, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia, Kentucky, Indiana, Missouri, Vermont, Rhode Island, Michigan, Tennessee, South Carolina, Illinois, Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Iowa, Arkansas, Wisconsin, Texas, in the United States;

And the Proceedings of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the District of Montreal and William Henry in Canada.

We but express the opinion (as we are aware,) of every Member of this Grand Lodge, in assuring our Canadian brethren that this interchange of fraternal feeling is fully reciprocated on our part.

In presenting to the consideration of the Grand Lodge an abstract of the Proceedings of the various Grand Lodges in the United States, we may be permitted to remark, that the task, though an arduous one, is one from which the mind of the contemplative Mason may gather a rich harvest, the fruitful toil of other hands.

Before we engage in the special object of our appointment, it may not be out of place, at this juncture, for the information of those with whom we exchange friendly salutations, to offer a word of explanation of our lack of a Correspondence Committee's Report last year. By a Resolution of ours, passed year before last, the Correspondence Committee were allowed a year from their appointment to prepare a Report. Under this new arrangement, the following analysis, with its many imperfections, has been prepared. With some of us, it may at least be considered a matter of doubt, whether the Grand Lodge will be the gainer by this indulgence. But be this as it may, the Grand Lodges with whom we are in correspondence may, for the time to come, expect an Annual Report from our Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

As above intimated, by a careful consideration of the various Documents usually placed in the hands of a Committee such as we are, no inquiring Mason can engage in the task without benefit to himself,

whether he is fortunate enough to improve or entertain those whose organ he is or not. By these documents, he holds mental converse with brethren of the highest order of talent; brethren of acknowledged skill in the arts of the Craft; men of deep thought; men of fervid zeal and reliable judgment; men of pure hearts, who seek a higher approbation than man can bestow.

With a full conviction of the mutual benefits of this fraternal interchange of brotherly affection and kindness, your Committee could do nothing less than offer, in the name of this Grand Lodge, the right hand of fellowship to those Grand Lodges with whom we correspond, and bid them God speed in the good work.

From information deduced from the documentary evidence before us, we are pleased to announce to the Grand Lodge the general prosperity of our world-wide Institution. The time has never been when Masonry was more in the ascendant than the present. Nor can her history point to a period when her principles were better understood, nor her teachings more revered, than the present. But notwithstanding this may be (as it undoubtedly is,) the general aspect of the picture, Freemasonry, like every other Institution, has to lament an occasional discordant sound. These sounds, painful to the heart, and heavily as they fall upon the ear, of every good and true Mason, and much as he may lament their occurrence, has an antidote at hand. Within the Sacred Temple, their own corrective is ever at hand. Truth, Relief, and Brotherly Love—discord and tumult must speedily cease, must soon die away, where these virtues exist—and exist they must and will, where Masonry lives and flourishes. To these great conservative principles of our Order, we confidently trust our cause. Unanimity and good must prevail—the rubbish then speedily removed, and that beauty which unguarded conduct has concealed, but for a moment, will again shine with unblemished splendor, with its own effulgent beauty.

#### 1. MAINE.

The "Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Maine" are highly interesting, as well as instructive. The Grand Master's Address, and the Report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee, are productions that do credit to the sources from whence they emanate. The former furnishes us with some useful hints on the multiplication of Masonic Manuals, designed as text-books. The remarks are sensible and worthy of attention. He very judiciously cautions the craft against excessive legislation, a spirit, for which, he says, is now but too manifest everywhere.

#### 2. NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The Address of the Grand Master, and of the several District Deputy Grand Masters, show the Craft to be in a prosperous condition. The Report of the Correspondence Committee is merely any-litical of the proceedings of the Grand Lodges. They speak in commendatory terms of the zeal of this Grand Lodge in the cause of Education, and manifest an earnest desire for the success of our Masonic Seminary of Learning.

3. Massachusetts. 4. Pennsylvania. 5. Ohio. 6. Georgia.— Notwithstanding the Grand Secretary acknowledges the receipt of Correspondences from each of these Most Worshipful Bodies, your Committee regret to say they have failed to reach their hands.

#### 7. CONNECTICUT.

This Grand Annual Communication was held on the 10th of May, A. L. 5848. The Report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee, like that of New Hampshire, is simply a review of the Proceedings of other Grand Lodges. Upon the question between New York and Vermont, which has been amicably settled, they make some very reasonable remarks upon, what they term, "uncourteous language" sometimes used by one Masonic Tribunal towards another; and instance the epithets used by some of the Grand Lodges towards other Grand Lodges, who have declared that expulsions from Chapters and Encampments shall exclude the expelled member from Lodge. One Grand Lodge declares this law "absurd;" and another declares it not only "absurd," but "wicked and abominable." These things, say this Report, are contrary to masonic intercourse, and should cease to be found in our reports.

The Report contains an allusion to a similar document from our Grand Lodge, which the Committee will briefly notice at another time.

#### 8. NEW YORK.

The regular Annual Communication of this Grand Body was holden on the 6th of June, in the City of New York, A. L. 5848. Much business of general interest to the Craft was transacted during this important session. The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is a luminous and interesting Document: and, although we are far from subscribing to all it contains, we nevertheless feel bound to call the attention of the Grand Lodge to some of its leading features. And first, to her controversy with the Grand Lodge of Vermont, which may not properly belong to this particular section of our Report. But as the controversy has been brought to a close by the two contending parties, we simply allude to it by way of recording an event which all must have desired. We may be permitted to say, however, from the lights before us, New York acted rather precipitately in arraigning the Grand Lodge of Vermont. Had she have acted in the premises, more in the capacity of a monitor and a guide, much of the bitterness of controversy would have been avoided.

The New York Committee say "The attention of the Grand Lodge (of New York,) has been called to the fact of the existence of the clandestine Lodges of colored men, which have for some years been known to exist in that State. A resolution is then appended in which it is expressly declared to be "inexpedient, and tends to mar the present harmony of the Fraternity to admit any, of the persons of color, so called, into the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons, within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge. The Report says, that "there is somewhere in the State of Ohio, a body of negroes who as-

sume the authority to establish Lodges of their own race, wherever they have the opportunity, we have good reasons to believe." "We have no doubt there are some such in this City and its vicinity. We have seen the Bye-Laws of one claiming to have been chartered by the Grand Lodge of Ohio at Chillicothe." The Committee very properly remark, "that, until the Grand Lodge of Ohio sits her foot upon the imposture, and denounces it as it deserves, these bodies will still go on, deceiving and being deceived." The above extracts, (did any thing allow us to question the sincerity of our New York brethren,) would furnish indubitable evidence of the safety in hands of such worthy co-laborers. On the subject of Negro Masonry there can be but one sentiment in this house. And we most cordially respond to the warning voice from New York to the Grand Lodge of Ohio.

From the report of a Select Committee, of which Bro. G. F. Yates was Chairman, it appears that the Grand Lodge of New York, joins issue with several of our sister Grand Lodges, on what may be termed "physical disqualification" of Candidates. This Grand Tribunal decides that we should receive no man that is maimed. Other Grand Lodges, such for instance as Kentucky, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Wisconsin and Michigan, affix to the term a qualified import, to which your committee, after mature deliberation, are in charity bound to give their hearty assent. In the ages of operative Masonry the injunction to receive "no man that was not upright in body, not deformed or dismembered at the time of making, but of hale and entire limbs as a man ought to be," was necessarily imperative; but in this, an age of purely speculative Masonry, the term "maimed" must have a sort of conventional interpretation. In this light your committee understand it.

How then, are we to act with those who are, to a certain extent dismembered? The rule to us is plain and simple. If an applicant is so far dismembered as to render him incapable of performing Lodge duties, of doing speculative Masonic labor, he of course, could not be received. On the other hand, slight defects, accidental loss of parts of limbs, that in no way unfit him for our work, cannot unfit him for our association. The Ahimion Reason, in connection with the Methodical Digest, prepared many years ago, under authority of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, clearly, in our opinion, warrant these conclusions.

While there is much to improve, and much to inspire the heart and mind of every true Mason, in the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New York, many topics which we would willingly bring up for your consideration, the space usually allotted to a report of this kind admonishes us, that we must content ourselves with but few. But, we cannot, without injustice to our own feelings, and justly subjecting ourselves to merited reproach, were we to fail to notice the reception, by our Society, of that distinguished brother and world renowned soldier, Gen. John A. Quitman. By the Fraternity in every city in the State which he visited, was he received in a manner as to shew to the world the estimation we place on acknowledged virtue and exalted patriotism.

It becomes a necessary, though a painful duty, to call your attention to the difficulties that encompass the Grand Lodge of New York. This is done, not to give notoriety to the wayward tendency of the human heart; whether in the Masonic Fraternity or in the Church of Christ, evidence of man's fallen nature is not lacking. And it is not asserting too much when we say, there is fewer in the former than the latter. But we call your attention to the existing condition of Masonry in New York, that you may act understandingly in the premises. There are now existing in that Commonwealth no less than three distinct Masonic Bodies, each claiming to be the Grand Lodge of New York. These are the Old Grand Lodge of the State of New York, St. John's Grand Lodge, and a very recent secession originating at the last Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, in consequence of certain amendments, proposed and adopted, to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge. This amendment, judging from the last proceedings of the Grand Lodge, met with spirited and violent opposition from those who thought their rights invaded by the change.

Upon all true lovers of the Ancient Order of Free and Accepted Masons, these broils and contentions among brethren of known and acknowledged worth, fall with a heavy hand. To those as remote from the scene of discord as ourselves, it is not without misgivings of our own judgments that we venture an opinion upon the points at issue between the parties. But from recent developments we are happy to have it in our power to say, there is every indication of an honorable and satisfactory adjustment of difficulties between St. John's Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. We may ask those engaged in the late disgraceful riot, (for we can call it nothing else) if this is not a propitious time to have their grievances redressed also. From such an umpire as the Grand Master of Connecticut and Pennsylvania, or New Jersey, neither party can have any just grounds of fear. We rejoice in the confident belief that the day has already dawned when, by the olive branch of peace now held out, peace and harmony will be again restored in the Empire State. "So mote it be."

#### 9. NEW JERSEY.

This Grand Lodge held its annual session in Trenton, commencing on the 12th June, 1848. The Address of the Grand Master, together with their other proceedings, relate mainly to the Fraternity of that State.

#### 10. MARYLAND.

The Grand Lodge of Maryland held her annual Communication in Baltimore, commencing on the 6th of January, A. L. 5848. The proceedings of this Body are generally marked with ability. Those now before us are, in point of interest, in no respect inferior to their predecessors. Upon the controversy between the Gr. Lodges of New York and Vermont, many a heavy blow is dealt out to the former for her course toward a sister Grand Lodge, struggling to shake from herself the last shackles of fanatical oppression.



The Correspondence Committee also discuss, at great length, the unhappy state of affairs now existing between the Louisiana Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Louisiana. The history of this schism is so well understood, your committee deem it unnecessary to consume time by giving it now. The Maryland committee recommended resolutions in favor of Vermont and the Louisiana Grand Lodge. Of the propriety of the former, we entertain no doubt. We rather wonder that New York should ever so far have forgotten what is due to the word of a worthy Master Mason, as to have called in question the oft-repeated assertion of the Grand Master of Vermont that they had never ceased to exist. We highly commend the course of Maryland in the helping hand which she so generously extended to Vermont, at a time when in all probability it was most needed.

#### 11. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

This document contains an account of sublime and interesting spectacle of this Grand Lodge, assisted by Lodges and brethren from various parts of our common country, uniting on the 1st day of May, 1847, in laying, (according to ancient usage) the Corner Stone of the Smithsonian Institute, in the city of Washington. It also contains the proceedings, &c. on the occasion of laying the Corner Stone of that magnificent monument erected in the same city to the memory of the Father of his country. The Addresses were interesting and appropriate, and the labor performed in a style that reflects lasting credit on those engaged in it.

#### 12. VIRGINIA.

The Grand Lodge of Va. is in session at the same time we are engaged in our annual duties here, consequently we have her proceedings for 1847 before us. In reviewing the proceedings of our brethren in the Old Dominion we are forcibly impressed with their modesty in reproving us. All they have said about us in regard to "a new test," might with equal propriety have been applied to themselves.— They have retracted and so shall we. Whatever may be said in support of the Holy Scriptures, upon the lives and conduct of those who implicitly rely upon all they teach, both in relation to the false swearer, and him who takes no council from its sacred teachings, we know that ours is not the platform for Theological debate. It is not the platform for religionists to discuss the relative merits of their various systems. The Ancient Fathers fixed all that was required of "those who seek to gain admission amongst us." It has come down to us through past ages, performing all it had to do to our entire satisfaction. So do we intend to transmit it to those who come after us, leaving the entrance free to Christian, Jew, Mahomedan, and the Red Man of our own native forest, whose belief is in the Great Spirit that will take them to new hunting grounds when they fail on earth. Our Fathers taught us to require a firm belief "in the Eternal God, and to pay that worship which is due to him, as the Great Architect and Governor of the Universe."

In reviewing the history of this so called "new test," your committee can ascribe it to nothing but that universal desire amongst Masons (felt in this Grand Lodge as well as elsewhere,) to aid in the moral advancement of the Order. For, many years ago, the Grand Lodge of North Carolina were led to adopt the following Resolution, in relation to this subject, which to this day remains among her permanent regulations in full force, viz :

*"Resolved, That the Grand Lodge feel it a duty they owe to themselves, as well as the whole Masonic Fraternity, to declare that, while its individual members are left to the free unmolested enjoyment of their sentiments, upon the various subjects connected with Religion and Politics, and the right to judge of men and their actions, they there-by most solemnly declare, that Masonic Bodies have not the right to connect the Institution with the sectarian or party views of either; that any attempt thereat is a gross innovation upon those principles, which, among good and correct Masons, are universally acknowledged, and should be universally practised upon."*

These are our teachings, notwithstanding we are "new lights" to our Virginia brethren.

It is to be hoped that this explanation which places this Gr. Lodge amongst the first of Grand Lodges to make a distinct avowal of her position, the grounds she intended to maintain on this subject may prove satisfactory to Virginia, and all other Grand Lodges which have paraded us (for having departed from the Ancient Constitutions, and the ancient land marks) before the Masonic world.

## 12. KENTUCKY.

This Grand Body held her annual Communication in the city of Lexington, on the 28th August, A. L. 5848.

Connected with her proceedings are many points of interest to our Masonic Community generally, as she presents in a summary manner an outline of the proceedings of nearly all the Grand Lodges. Those of most interest to us, at this particular time, are the means employed by her in the consummation of a grand scheme of benevolence; such an one as we are now to decide the fate of forever. This committee are not disposed to interfere with duties more properly belonging to other and abler committees connected with our Masonic College, but as facts in relation to the establishment of Institutions of this kind have, in the course of our labors, fallen into our hands that may not fall into theirs, we have thought it not amiss to present them.

The first proposition to establish a Masonic Seminary of Learning in the State was submitted to the Grand Lodge in 1841. The proposition was entertained and submitted to a committee who reported to the next annual Communication, but no definite action was had until 1844, when the Grand Lodge came into the possession of Funk Seminary. This institution was established upon funds bequeathed

by Wm. M. Funk, to the town of Lagrange, upon condition the citizens of the place would raise and pay over five hundred dollars; making in all ten thousand five hundred dollars. This amount being raised, the Seminary was incorporated. The trustees appointed a committee to visit the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and make a tender of the funds and College edifice to the Grand Lodge, upon certain conditions. The tender was accepted by the Grand Lodge, the whole of the funds, edifice and other property were transferred to that body, and the transfer legalized by an act of the Legislature in February, 1845. The Grand Lodge thereupon appropriated ten thousand dollars as an endowment fund, and also passed a Resolution requiring all good Masons to contribute one dollar for the sustenance of the beneficiaries that might be sent to the school.

A liberal fund has been contributed for this important purpose.— The College has been enabled to raise a considerable fund by the sale of scholarships. These are divided into three classes: First, are five year scholarships for \$75 in advance. This entitles the purchaser to five years instruction in the preparatory school of one scholar at a time, without further cost for tuition. Second: Ten year scholarships for \$100, payable in advance, entitling to ten years tuition in College, without further cost; one scholar at a time. Third: Perpetual scholarships for \$3,00. One hundred in advance, the other two hundred in two annual instalments.

In closing this sketch of the Masonic College of Kentucky, the committee would remark, that at no time has the number of students amounted to more than 203, and from the report of the trustees of the College, the last we have noticed, made to the Grand Lodge in Aug. 1847, one hundred and seventy were in attendance, both in College and preparatory department. The cost of a student in this College, under these scholarships, is from \$95 to \$105 per year of ten months.

### 13. INDIANA.

This Grand Lodge held its annual session in the city of Indianapolis on the 22d May, 1848.

In everything the Institution in the State of Indiana exhibits general prosperity. Fifty-eight regularly chartered Lodges were represented, and proxies from eighteen Lodges under Dispensation were also in attendance. What a state of prosperity! The conduct of Indiana in expelling her Grand Master, on the evidence and the proceedings obtained in a Chapter has, (as it unquestionably merited) called for thstrong denunciations from many other Grand Lodges. Based upon evidence derived in Chapter; furnishing the accused with no written charges, but acting solely upon the proceedings of a Chapter, furnishes all of us a precedent unknown to the Craft of ancient times. That conduct so far from what Masonry inculcates, resulting in expulsion from a Chapter, would be sufficient reason for enquiry and the preferment of charges in a Lodge, which might result in expulsion therefrom, are propositions, that no intelligent Mason will deny.

The Grand Master, in his opening Address, notices this proceeding and justifies it upon the grounds that it was in accordance with a pre-existing law of that Grand Lodge. A very insufficient reason, as your committee conceive; for it was a direct infringement upon an ancient law of our Order, which says:

"Every Brother who may be charged with unmasonic conduct shall, in time, be furnished with a copy of the charges to be exhibited against him, if they be of a nature that will admit of being written; and if they be not, they shall be made known to him by a committee."

Now the question naturally suggests itself, by whom are these charges thus to be given? Evidently by the Lodge; for the law at its enactment applied to no other body. The Grand Lodge therefore erred in making a law that conflicted with the ancient landmarks of the Order. The Grand Master tacitly admits, that in minor offences this law might possibly be too stringent; but says he, in an "offence of the highest grade known to civilized society, if the facts and evidence were gathered from a R. A. Chapter," they were of such nature that the Grand Lodge of Indiana could not throw over the delinquent its protecting shield. The conception of this law was in error, and of course all its offspring must be.

#### 14. MISSOURI.

This Grand Communication was held in the city of St. Louis, on the 1st of May, 1848. The subject of most interest to us as a Grand Lodge, is the consummation of their praiseworthy efforts in the establishment of a Masonic College. This subject was first agitated by them in 1841. In 1842 the College received the sanction of the Grand Lodge, and a purchase was made of Marion College in Marion county; subsequently the Grand Lodge changed their site to Lexington, which was supposed to contain advantages which Marion did not. In their new location they have received liberal donations from benevolent individuals for the erection of new buildings; the corner stone of the new College edifice has been laid, and it was expected, by the building committee, to go into operation by the 1st of last July. The old buildings, grounds, &c. were directed to be sold for the benefit of the new. The report of the committee, after presenting an exhibit of their expenditures, represent the cost of building at \$15,000. The sum which this Grand Lodge has proposed to raise as a starting point.

The course of instruction in this institute is to embrace all that can be embraced in a thorough Collegiate course, and your committee are happy in announcing to the Grand Lodge the entire success of the enterprise: the completion of the building, the organization of a noble Faculty and their entrance upon the duties assigned them.—The spirit that animated our Missouri brethren is worthy our highest commendation, and will reflect undying honors upon those who have so nobly thrown the protecting shield of Education around the destitute orphan.

## 15. VERMONT.

This Grand Lodge held its annual session in Burlington in January, 1848.

Our ancient co-laborer in the good cause of Masonry, met a cold reception at the hands of some of our Grand Lodges. Alleging as some of them did, that she had ceased to exist, she for a time, was denied the social, friendly salutations usually interchanged between Grand Bodies of this character. We conceive the allegation entirely gratuitous, and as the difficulties between her and those Grand Lodges who called her legal existence in question, appear to have been amicably settled, we may not now refuse, had we ever been disposed before, to extend to Vermont the right hand of fellowship and bid her God speed in her glorious work.

## 16. RHODE ISLAND.

This Grand Lodge convened in Grand Communication in September, 1848. Her various reports shew her charge to be prosperous, the order firm and advancing.

## 17. MICHIGAN.

This Grand Body convened in Detroit on the 12th January, 1848. The proceedings are respectful and courteous towards other Grand Lodges, and evince an ardent attachment to the principles and practices of our Institution.

## 18. TENNESSEE.

The Grand Lodge of Tennessee held their annual session in the city of Nashville, commencing on the 4th October, 1847.

The Address of the Grand Master, the reports of the committees on Education and Foreign Correspondence are documents of a highly interesting character. Tennessee like ourselves, has had her reports and her resolves on the subject of a College or High School. An epitomised account of her course on this important subject, may not prove uninteresting to the Grand Lodge at this juncture.

In 1842, the Grand Master brought this subject before the Grand Lodge for their consideration; strong hopes were entertained that efficient measures would be adopted, as both Grand and Subordinate Lodges manifested great partiality for the scheme, for the accomplishment of so desirable an object. These hopes however, were destined to a short existence, for the very next year a committee to whom the subject had been referred, reported adversely to the enterprise, and moved a resolution of indefinite postponement, which was adopted by the Grand Lodge. This action of the Grand Lodge only sepulchred it for two years. In 1845 the Grand Master brought it again before the Grand Lodge. The committee to whom it was referred reported that "they had arrived at the conclusion that any attempt at this time to establish an institution of learning worthy the Order would prove an entire failure."

Nothing daunted at these various reports, the friends of Learning and, we might say of humanity, steadily persevered in their efforts.

until they succeeded in obtaining a resolve from the Grand Lodge that it would establish a College at such point as it might hereafter select. This being done, bids were liberally made by Columbia Lodge, and by Clarksville and Tannehill Lodges; the former offered to give Jackson College, with its Libraries and Philosophical Apparatus. The two latter offered a building, valued at \$6,000, and pledged their faith for 15,000 more. The Grand Lodge, after much deliberation, decided to locate at Clarksville, and immediately elected a Board of Trustees, who with commendable zeal, entered upon the discharge of their duties by electing a Faculty, and adopting such general measures as they thought important in carrying out the wishes of the Grand Lodge.

The advent of the institution into the world, honored as she was by a throng of students, had scarcely reached our ears, before she was reduced (by fire) to a mass of ruins. This sad catastrophe was enough to have sickened the heart, and have paralysed the energies of the most indomitable heroism. But our Tennessee brethren have not yielded the struggle; but, with a firm and unwavering purpose of mind they are now engaged in efforts to resuscitate and bring to life this bantling of a munificent liberality. With these facts so appalling in their bearing upon the success of an enterprise of this character; so happily subdued and made by perseverance and industry to yield to noble, manly effort; will North Carolina give way to minor difficulties and abandon her School? We trust not; but will, from this time forward, prove to the world that what we say in our ritual of the orphan and widow is not senseless profession alone.

#### 19. SOUTH CAROLINA.

This Grand Lodge holds quarterly Communications in the city of Charleston. Most of her acts, in the Correspondence before us, relate to her own internal polity; among which we notice an incident we cannot pass in silence. Sometime in 1847, or previous thereto, a subordinate Lodge, under her jurisdiction, suspended or expelled two of her members. The Grand Lodge reversed the judgment, and directed the restoration of the expelled members. The Lodge which had expelled them protested through its proper officers, against this infringement of their rights, declined to execute the mandate of the Grand Lodge, and immediately surrendered their Charter. Upon this, the Grand Lodge peremptorily expelled the Master, Wardens, and some of the members of the Lodge, from all the rights and benefits of Masonry, until they acknowledge their error and submit to the authority of the Grand Lodge.

With unfeigned deference to the opinions of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, your committee here declare, that in their judgment, the Grand Lodge invaded an inherent right of the Subordinate Lodge: The right to say who may be members thereof and who may not. The Grand Lodge may reverse the sentence of suspension or expulsion, so far as relates to a restoration of an expelled member to all the rights and benefits of Masonry. Farther they cannot go. No power is or ever was, in the opinion of your committee, given to a Grand Lodge to say who shall or who shall not be members of Subordinate Lodges.

## 20. ILLINOIS.

The Brethren in Illinois are marching forward in the good cause of Education, and the Grand Master in his Address says, the brethren impatient to dispense the blessings, are hunting up and educating the orphans of destitute Master Masons at the expense of the Lodge nearest to them.

## 21. ALABAMA.

The proceedings now before us are of the Communication of '47, begun and held in the city of Montgomery. The Reports are well drawn and present the various subjects upon which they treat, in a clear and comprehensive style. The Craft is represented to be in a prosperous condition. Conclusive evidence that our Order is in the ascendant in Alabama, is contained in the fact, that seventy-two Lodges were represented in this Communication.

## 22. FLORIDA.

The Grand Lodge of this State assembled in Tallahassee on the 10th January, 1848. The report of the committee on Foreign Correspondence is a very able document, and discusses with uncommon ability, the subject of mental and physical qualification of Candidates for initiation, religious tests, right to tax unaffiliated Masons, &c. As the arguments of the committee on these subjects are too long for insertion here, your committee know not how better to dispose of this interesting document, than to recommend its careful perusal to all our members.

## 23. ARKANSAS.

The Grand Annual Communication of Arkansas was holden in Little Rock in November, 1847. The report of the Correspondence Committee is merely analytical of the proceedings of other Gr. Lodges, and embraces information derived from such sources, that renders it a useful document.

## 24. MISSISSIPPI.

This Grand Body commenced its annual session in the city of Natches on the 21st of February, 1848. The subjects of most interest to us as Masons, and as a Grand Lodge particularly, in the correspondence from Mississippi, are Education, and the difficulties which have sprung up between her and Louisiana. The latter will be noticed when we come to speak of Louisiana. The subject of Education is demanding and receiving a large share of attention from our brethren in this State. A single Lodge in Mississippi, be it spoken to their everlasting praise, established and maintained a College. With this soul inspiring example before us can any one for a moment believe that North Carolina will either falter or give up the struggle?

## 25. IOWA.

This Grand Lodge met in the city of Iowa on the 1st day of June, A. L. 5848. The G. Master's address, which is a document of decided interest, communicates the gratifying intelligence, that the craft in that young state, has, in six years, advanced from a single chartered

Lodge to a Grand Lodge, with a representation at that time from ten regularly chartered Lodges, and several under dispensation.

#### 26. WISCONSIN.

This Grand Lodge convened in the city of Madison on the 10th day of January, 5848. The address of the Grand Master as well as the journals of the Grand Lodge, give pleasing indication, of the prosperous condition of Masonry in the far west.

#### 27. TEXAS.

The Grand annual communication of Texas was held in the city of Austin, in January, 1848. Twenty six Lodges were represented; and from the lights before us we would say the prosperity of this ancient and honorable institution is without a parallel.

#### 28. LOUISIANA.

The committee with diffidence approach the state of our fraternity in Louisiana. This worshipful body are aware that in this state there are two powerful Bodies, claiming Masonic jurisdiction there; each as far as we know, equally entitled from the characters of those who compose them to a high and honorable position in society. These Bodies are the Grand Lodges of Louisiana and the Louisiana Grand Lodge. It appears from the history of Masonry in La. that prior to the year 1833, there was but one Body in the State claiming Masonic jurisdiction; there was then no cause of complaint; there was no incorporation of modern rites with ancient York Masonry. There might, however, at the time above referred to, have been Bodies of modern Masons as they are termed, but there was no union between them and the York rite, Early in the year 1833, above named, by some strange process, an amalgamation between these modern rites and those ancient York rites with which we are all acquainted, was effected, the Grand Lodge of La. now holding and exercising the power she held as a York Grand Lodge and that which had been held by the Grand Consistory. It is passing strange that the Grand Lodge of La. should, after an existence of one and twenty years as a Grand Lodge of York Masons, have found it necessary, proper, or right to have fraternised, to have become part and parcel with a Body claiming to be Masons, of whom as a Lodge, they could have known nothing. It further appears that Mississippi, at one of her Grand Annual Communications, learned there actually existed no Grand Lodge of ancient York Masons in the state of La. and issued a dispensation for a Lodge of this "Rite" in the limits of that State. At a subsequent period, believing the Grand Lodge of La. was about retracing her steps and returning to her position she had formerly occupied as Lodge of the Ancient Rite, she withdrew her Dispensation, and the Lodge chartered by her ceased to work.

Louisiana however continued in the course; maintained that her course was not an inconsistent one, and proclaimed to the world her exclusive control of Masonic jurisdiction in La.; affirming that there was nothing in her new course inconsistent with the spirit of Mason;



that affiliation with modern Masons was entirely harmless.

Thus stood matters until a few years ago, when Mississippi, by a solemn act of her Grand Lodge, declared to the world that by the cumulation of Scotch and modern rites, La. had lost all right to control Ancient York Masonry in the latter State. They appointed a committee who repaired to New Orleans for the purpose of learning the true condition of the Order in La. This committee reported to the ensuing Grand Lodge; and they declared by resolution, "that there was no Grand Lodge of Ancient York Masons in that state." Immediately did the Grand Lodge of Mississippi commence issuing Dispensations for subordinate Lodges in La. The Lodges thus created, (seven in number) pursuant to previous notice, proceeded, on the 8th day of March, A. L. 5848, to organize "the Louisiana Grand Lodge" in the city of New Orleans.

The above is a very succinct account of the Louisiana difficulty. It is one upon which various opinions have been expressed by different Grand Lodges *pro* and *con*. This committee have no disposition to involve this Grand Lodge in a profitless controversy. They therefore refrain from annexing any resolution as to the guilt or innocence of either party, leaving the matter where it now is, until we procure more light on the subject. Your committee may be allowed to say, they have watched this painful affair with a mournful interest, for it is a matter of no small moment to see two respectable Masonic Bodies arrayed in a hostile attitude before the world against each other, using invective epithets, applying terms to each other, calculated to produce discordant sounds in that Great Mystical Edifice, where peace, harmony, and brotherly love, alone should be heard. Your committee are unwilling now, to engage in a discussion of the constitutional question involved in the case. But they present a few propositions for your future consideration.

The right of a Grand Lodge to occupy territory not occupied by a competent Masonic Body, to carry out the great designs of the institution of Masonry, is a proposition too clear to need any argument in its support. The Grand Lodge of La. was organised and chartered, as before intimated, as a Grand Lodge of the York Rite. This rite was found to exist every where, and wherever civilized man penetrated the western forest, there she went on her holy mission of uniting them in the eternal bonds of brotherly love and mystical friendship. In this work of peace and good will, there was no need of a cumulation of rites. Ancient York Masonry, unaided by any other rite, was competent to the task. Thus our rite was undisturbed; on its own merits it had stood the test of ages, and received the sanction of the Order everywhere. It needed no amalgamation with any rite whatever, to carry out its great, its future designs. Why then the necessity of this incorporation of other rites, of which, as York Masons, they could have known nothing? For us to come to correct conclusions on these difficulties, we may enquire first: Did La. forfeit her right to Masonic control as a York Lodge, when she fraternised and amalgamated with the Grand Consistory? Did she obliterate any of the ancient land-

marks of the Order? Did she violate any of her sacred obligations by the act? Answer either of these questions affirmatively and it at once settles the fate of Louisiana in regard to her Masonic position before the world. Answer them negatively, and Mississippi is at once placed in the wrong, from which she cannot extricate herself but by retracing every step she has taken.

The Past Master's degree also claims the attention of the Grand Lodge of Virginia—or rather, what they term “strictly and technically no degree.” This question has engaged the attention of several other Grand Lodges. The conclusions to which they have come are various and unsatisfactory. From those given by the Grand Lodge of Virginia, we entirely dissent. That it is an actual *bona fide* degree, essential to every Presiding officer of a Lodge, there can be no doubt. The Master of a Lodge who is unacquainted with it, is unacquainted with the elementary knowledge of his office, and must so continue. But what makes the difference in the various Masonic degrees? Are they not different elements, not proper here to be written? We think this “no degree” has all the elements of a separate existence, as distinctly portrayed as any degree in Masonry. Because it is simple and unpretending, its non-existence cannot be argued. If so, many of our useful forms and ceremonies might find a grave by its side. We think it an essential degree—its location a good one,—and the Master Mason, who has received it in regular form, unquestionably a Past Master in strict Masonic nomenclature.

Having imperfectly accomplished the task of analysing the Proceedings of the various Grand Lodges which have been put into our hands, it may not be amiss in us to direct the attention of this Grand Lodge to some other important subjects connected with Masonic polity.

Masonic jurisdiction is a fruitful source of contention amongst Grand, as well as Subordinate Lodges. Notwithstanding this jurisdiction has long been defined, both by the ancient Constitutions and enlightened practice, we annually see and read Reports complaining of, and denouncing, violations of these well-established land-marks. Practice, which has received the sanction of ages, has defined the jurisdiction of a Grand Lodge to be the boundaries of the State in which it is located. As regards Subordinate Lodges, the path of duty appears so plain that the way-faring man need not err therein. Applications for membership, for the most obvious reasons, should be made to the Lodge nearest the petitioner's residence. Any other course is a palpable violation of all Masonic rule, on this subject, and deserves the unmitigated censure of all good Masons. Were these regulations adhered to with that strict regard to Masonic obligation which characterised the Fathers of the Craft, we should never hear the question asked, whether the Lodge had a right to initiate, pass, and raise a non-resident. We can scarcely conceive of a more flagrant violation of law or propriety; of one more insidious in the

amount of evil which it is calculated to produce; or of one which calls more vehemently for the penalty of the law, than this does. Your Committee have seen the evil of this practice, and could point to Lodges in other jurisdictions who have been shamefully recreant upon this subject. But at present they forbear. A word—a hint, may prevent a similar occurrence. Situated as North Carolina is; with a large number of her citizens engaged in traffic in other States; and having, as above stated, become familiar with this evil, we could not conscientiously pass it by. We have seen our citizens, after being thus taken into foreign Lodges; deprived of their money, which must have been the sine qua non, with the Lodges receiving, or rather persuading them; return without any adequate idea of either work or lectures, wholly incapable of making themselves known, as Masons, and as a matter of course, unable to work themselves into our Lodges at home. Every one must admit, to say nothing of the illegality of the act, that this is a deplorable state of *morals* in our institution, ostensibly made up of those, whose purity of life and rectitude of conduct are to be their passports through this, to a better world, calling aloud for legislative interposition.

Respectfully submitted, by

C. H. JORDAN, Ch'm.

Bros W. F. Collins, P. W. Archer, and W. G. Hill were appointed a committee to report upon the established price of Scholarships for the Masonic College.

On motion,

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of a Grand Lecturer; Whereupon, Bro. L. L. Stephenson was chosen by acclamation.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That Bro. L. L. Stephenson's work be received as the work of the Craft in this State, and the Subordinate Lodges conform thereto.

On motion,

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of an Aghnt for the College, when Bro. P. W. Archer was chosen by acclamation.

On motion,

*It was Resolved*, That the College Agent shall receive three hundred dollars per annum for his services; five per cent, on all monies collected, and two and a half per cent, on all scholarships sold, and monies received by bonds.

The Grand Lodge called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock, DEC. 8, 1849.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

The Officers in their stations.

Bro. W. J. Clarke submitted the following report, which was read and adopted.

The Committee to whom was assigned the duty of collecting and reporting the Rules and Resolutions heretofore passed and adopted by the Grand Lodge, having examined the matter as far as the limited time allowed them would permit, respectfully report: that they are unable to perform that duty during the present Communication, and they respectfully ask further time for that purpose.

Bro. H. W. Miller presented the annexed Resolution, which was adopted.

*Resolved*, That if the per centage allowed by Resolution passed at this Grand Lodge, on all subscriptions and scholarships received by the Agent, for the Masonic Seminary, together with the salary of three hundred dollars, voted to him for his services, should not amount in all to seven hundred and fifty dollars, the deficiency will be made up and secured to the said Agent at the next meeting of the G. Lodge.

On motion of Bro. W. J. Clarke,

*Resolved*, That hereafter, the election of the Officers of the Grand Lodge shall take place on the second night of each Annual Communication.

Bro. William J. Clarke submitted the following Resolutions, which were adopted.

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lecturer be ex officio, a member of the Grand Lodge, and that he be authorised to call together the Subordinate Lodges, in the name of the Grand Lodge, at their respective Lodges, and work and lecture them.

*Resolved*, That the Most Worshipful Grand Master be authorised to supply any vacancy, by resignation or otherwise, that may occur in the Offices of Grand Lecturer or College Agent.

*Resolved*, That the committee to correspond with the Subordinate Lodges, be also instructed to invoke the aid and co-operation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter, and the several Royal Arch Chapters in this State.

The following Report was submitted by the committee on Scholarships, and adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the sale of Scholarships, beg leave to recommend the sale of Scholarships of \$500 to be held for 50 years.

For \$200, we will sell a Scholarship during the natural life of the purchaser; and when he shall demise, his youngest son shall have the benefit thereof until he arrives at 21 years of age.

For \$100, we will sell a Scholarship, the benefit of which shall continue for 10 years.

On motion,

*Ordered*, That the Grand Master address a letter to each Grand Lodge in the Union, informing them of the intention of the Grand Lodge of this State to establish a Seminary of Learning, and asking their aid.

Brother H. W. Miller, William J. Clarke, John H. Manly, E. B. Freeman, and W. H. Haywood were appointed the committee to prepare certificates of scholarship, and to give all the legal points therein.

Brother Thomas J. Lemay introduced the following resolution, which was adopted.

*Resolved*, That the Good Samaritan Union, Daughters of Temperance of this City, be allowed to hold their meetings in one of the rooms in the basement of this building, while the same remains unoccupied, with the consent of Hiram Lodge, No. 40.

The annexed Resolutions, which were passed at the last Grand Lodge, were on motion of Brother L. W. Batchelor ordered to be printed in the present year's proceedings.

*Whereas*, by resolutions heretofore passed by this Grand Lodge, it was ordered that there should be three Trustees appointed for our contemplated Masonic Seminary of Learning on the part of the Grand Lodge, and one Trustee on the part of each subordinate Lodge:

*And whereas*, the Grand Lodge did, at the Annual Communication in 1846, discharge the duty imposed on itself, by the appointment of Brothers William G. Hill, William F. Collins, and C. W. D. Hutchings, Trustees of said Institution,

*And whereas*, no formal returns have been made of the appointment of any Trustees: in obedience to the said Resolutions, by the Subordinate Lodges:

Therefore Resolved, That the Grand Secretary proceed to call over the names of the Subordinate Lodges, and that the Representation of each Lodge, as its name is called, shall state for the informative of this Lodge, whether such Lodge has complied with the requisition by the appointment of a Trustee of said Seminary.

Resolved further, That the Grand Secretary shall record in the proceedings, a list of the Lodges which have, as well as of those which may not, have discharged this important duty.

Resolved further, That if any of the Subordinate Lodges shall be found delinquent, they shall each be required to appoint its said Trustee as early as practicable, and report the fact and name of the Trustee to the next Communication.

Resolved also, That the action of Subordinate Lodges on the subject be stated by delegates.

The Grand Lodge having finished all the business submitted for its consideration, adjourned to meet again on the first Monday in December, 1850, being the third day of the month.

WILLIAM THOS. BAIN, G. S.

NOTE.—Zion Lodge, No. 81, Trenton, after adjournment—Bro. W. G. Hill representative.

Mt. Hermon, No. 118, Asheville—Bro. Wm. T. Bain representative.

## SUBORDINATE LODGES,

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF  
NORTH CAROLINA.

Saint John's	Lodge, No. 1	Wilmington.
Royal White Hart	" " 2	Halifax.
Saint John's	" " 3	Newbern.
Phoenix	" " 8	Fayetteville.
Johnston Caswell	" " 10	Warrenton.
American George	" " 17	Murfreesborough.
Phalanx	" " 31	Charlotte.
Davie	" " 39	Bertie County.
Hiram	" " 40	Raleigh.
Hall	" " 53	Currituck County.
Unanimity	" " 54	Edenton.
King Solomon	" " 56	Jackson, North'mpt'n Co.
Concord	" " 58	Tarborough.
Perseverance	" " 59	Plymouth.
Eagle	" " 71	Hillsborough.
Golden Fleece	" " 74	Milton.
Widow's Son	" " 75	Camden County.
Greensborough	" " 76	Greensborough.
Charity	" " 78	Windsor.
Sharon	" " 79	Greenville.
University	" " 80	Chapel Hill.
Zion	" " 81	Trenton.
Fellowship	" " 84	Smithfield.
Morning Star	" " 85	Nashville.
Shewarkee	" " 90	Williamston.
Joseph Warren	" " 92	Stantonsburg.
Jerusalem	" " 95	Hookerton.
Wake Forest	" " 97	Wake County.
Hiram	" " 98	Clinton.
Fulton	" " 99	Salisbury.
Columbus	" " 102	Pittsborough.
Star in the East	" " 103	Elizabeth City.
Orr Lodge	" " 104	Washington.
Perquimans	" " 106	Hertford.
Clinton	" " 107	Yanceyville.
Belmont	" " 108	Duplin County.
Franklin,	" " 109	Beaufort.
Saint John's	" " 110	Smithville.
Wentworth	" " 111	Rockingham.
Wayne	" " 112	Everittsville.
Person,	" " 113	Roxborough.
Saint Alban's	" " 114	Lumberton.
Holly Springs	" " 115	Wake County.





## LIST OF GRAND LODGES

In Correspondence with the Grand Lodge of N. Carolina, with the Address of each G. Sec'y.

GRAND LODGES.	GRAND SECRETARIES.	RESIDENCE.
Maine,	Charles B. Smith,	Portland.
New Hampshire,	Albert G. Hatch,	Portsmouth.
Massachusetts,	Charles B. Moore,	Boston.
Connecticut,	E. G. Storer,	New Haven.
New York,	Robert R. Boyd,	New York.
New Jersey,	Joseph H. Hough,	Trenton.
Maryland,	Joseph Robinson,	Baltimore.
Virginia,	John Dove,	Richmond.
District of Columbia,	Charles S. Frailey,	Washington City.
Kentucky,	Philip Swigert,	Lexington or Frankf't
Indiana,	Arthur W. Morris,	Indianapolis.
Missouri,	J. W. S. Mitchell,	Saint Louis.
Vermont,	John B. Hollenbeck,	Burlington.
Pennsylvania,	William H. Adams.	Philadelphia.
Rhode Island,	James Hutchinson,	Providence.
Ohio,	B. F. Smith,	Columbus.
Michigan,	James Fenton,	Detroit.
Tennessee,	John S. Deshiell,	Nashville.
Illinois,	William Mitchell,	Peoria.
South Carolina,	A. G. McKay,	Charleston.
Georgia,	W. S. Rose,	Macon.
Alabama,	Amand P. Phister,	Montgomery.
Florida,	John B. Taylor,	Tallahassee.
Louisiana,	F. Verrier,	New Orleans.
Mississippi,	William P. Miller,	Natches.
Arkansas,	T. D. Merrick,	Little Rock.
Texas,	A. J. Ruthven,	Houston.
Iowa,	T. S. Parvin,	Blomington.
Wisconsin,	M. M. Corthur,	Mineral Pt. Iowa Co.
Provincial G'd Lodge for District of Mon- treal & Wm. Henry, Canada West,	J. D. Harrington, Francis Richardson,	Montreal, Canada. Toronto, Do.

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### RETURNS.

In Correspondence with the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, with the Address of each G. Secy.  
 State of the Lodges working under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina, which have made Returns at the present Communication.

#### ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 1, WILMINGTON.

Annual Returns of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington N. C. to the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, to meet in Raleigh on the first Monday in December, A. D. 1849, A. L. 5849. From the 30th November 1848, to the 30th November 1849, inclusive.

#### OFFICERS.

D. McMillan,	W. Master.
D. A. Lamont,	S. Warden.
A. A. Brown,	J. Warden.
S. Teller,	Treasurer.
A. Paul Repton,	Secretary.
D. McRae,	S. Deacon.
Geo. Harriss,	J. Deacon.
John Banks,	Tyler.
Robert Fenner,	Inner Guard.

#### STEWARDS.

H. P. Russell,                      John Walker, Jr.

#### MEMBERS.

P. W. Fanning, P. G. M.	D. V. Kelley,
J. Northrop, P. M.	Thos. Cowan,
W. A. Burr, P. M.	Jno. McAuslin,
Thos. W. Brown, P. M.	Alfred Martin,
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R. G. Rankin, P. M.	Thos. Marshall,
Jas. T. Miller,	Thos. H. Howey,
Jas. T. Morris,	Isaac B. Smith,
John S. James,	W. D. Smith,
Owen Fennell,	Seth King,
John Smith,	M. L. F. Redd,
R. B. Wood,	Jno. Walker, Sr.,
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Thos. Loring,	R. Morris,
Miles Costin,	C. M. Murphy,
H. M. Bishop,	Jos. B. Russell,
J. R. Kemp,	Sam'l. McGary,
W. A. Walker,	T. F. Robeson,
E. I. Lutterloh,	John Nutt,
E. Hansley,	T. C. Worth,
Jas. Gibson,	Jas. F. Simpson,
W. G. Jones,	Col. T. Murphy,
W. J. Price,	Owen H. Rankin,
H. P. Russell,	John Crone,
Abram Cooper,	James P. Moore,
W. W. Harriss,	Julius Scott.
A. Lamont.	

Admitted 25, Initiated 24, Passed 25, Raised 24, Suspended 0, Rejected 6, Died 0, Withdrawn 2.

#### RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Chas. B. Morros,	R. S. McComber,
B. Baxter,	Robert Maxwell,
G. R. French,	J. A. Sintas,
C. Henry,	W. J. Price,
W. N. Peden,	A. A. Wanett,
J. T. Schonwald,	D. Sherwood,
Alex. McRae, Sr.,	Jas. L. Corbit,
Seth Hoard,	C. D. Ellis,
J. D. Jones,	Neil McLaurin,
— Weeks,	M. D. Mott,
John Maxwell,	T. F. Peck,
Owen Holmes,	C. W. Murphy,
L. H. Marsteller,	A. J. Mott,
E. P. Hall,	S. N. Cannon,
J. Moore,	Jacob Hartman,
Jas. F. McRee, Sr.,	Wm. Hartman.

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## ROYAL WHITE HART LODGE, NO. 2, HALIFAX.

Returns of the Officers and Members of Royal White Hart Lodge, No. 2, held at Halifax by Charter from the M.W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, together with a statement of the Admission, Initiation, Passings, Raisings, Withdrawals, Deaths, Suspensions, and Rejections which have taken place in said Lodge from Dec. A. L. 5848 to Dec. A. L. 5849.

## OFFICERS.

C. N. Webb, W. M.	F. S. Marshall, T.
A. V. Russell, S. W.	W. L. Long, S. D.
L. W. Batchelor, J. W.	John T. Pope, J. D.
J. J. Anderson, S. S.	H. A. Sledge, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

George W. Gary,	Thos. P. Alston,
F. S. Manhall,	Asberry Crowell,
Thos. Neville,	David Williams,
A. H. Neville,	L. H. Whitaker,
James S. Pearson,	J. L. Jones,
James Simmons,	Rev. Thos. G. Lowe,
Spottswood Shearman	M. A. Wilcox,
James H. Walker,	Wm. L. Loag,
Howel J. Capel,	W. W. Brickell,
Andrew J. Johnston	W. H. Pope,
James S. Snow,	Jno. W. Heptinstall,
W. S. Jenkins,	C. N. Weeb,
Jas. W. Faucett,	Charles Alston,
Henry Joyner,	W. W. Daniel, Jr.,
W. H. Ponton,	John Campbell,
James H. Parker,	John M. Branch,
James K. Wilkes,	Thomas Pritchett,
John T. Pope,	Jas. V. Allen,
Jos. J. Batchelor,	Rich'd Carpenters,
Thaddeus Davis,	Wm. H. Tillery,
Edwin T. Clark,	John T. Aaron,
Joseph J. Alston,	W. H. Uderhill,
Edward Lee,	L. W. Batchelor,
James A. Pope,	H. A. Sledge,
W. F. G. Sykes,	Marion S. Crawley,
Blake Pittman,	Wm. T. Merryman,
John D. Weeks,	Lafayette Moore,
John D. Minga,	E. T. Green,
W. G. Pride,	George P. Pope,
J. J. Anderson,	John R. Pugh,
William Doyle,	A. V. Russell,

## ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 3. NEWBERN.

## OFFICERS.

Alonzo T. Jerkins, W. M.  
Edward F. Smallwood, S. W.  
Peter Custis, J. W.  
J. M. Harrison, Treas.  
E. R. Stanly, S.

David S. Willis, S. D.  
Thomas R. Wilson, J. D.  
William H. Hancock, T.  
Rev. William N. Hawks, C.

## MEMBERS.

James Haywood,  
John Harvey, Sen'r,  
Matthias A. Outton,  
Francis J. Prentiss,  
Bryan Jones,  
Thomas Sparrow,  
Luther R. Clark,  
William G. Hall,  
William S. Webb,  
Oliver S. Dewey,  
William M. Herritage,  
George Cooper,  
William B. Perkins,  
J. A. Brookfield,  
John S. Hunter,  
George W. Willis,  
Benjamin J. Perkins,  
George E. Carraway,  
George W. Howard,  
Henry P. Whitehurst,  
Joseph S. Fowler,  
Jesse G. Mumford,  
John N. Benners,  
Joseph Carter,  
Samuel W. Chadwick,  
Levi Stem,

Lacy Phillips,  
Alonzo J. Willis,  
John Blackwell,  
Samuel Bishop,  
Alexander H. Stanly,  
Matthew Matthews,  
Samuel S. Bryant,  
Benjamin F. Borden,  
Benjamin M. Cook,  
Pierce W. Yarrell,  
Ellsworth Hanks,  
Joseph W. Baxter,  
Reddin McCoy,  
W. S. Delamar,  
W. W. Ormsbee,  
William Brewer,  
Caswell Gardiner,  
William J. Parks,  
Guion Scott,  
George Green,  
William C. Hunter,  
John Harvey, Jun'r,  
William C. Pittman,  
John H. Lane,  
William C. French.

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Samuel Oliver,  
Stephen B. Forbes,  
Alexander Mason,  
James C. Cole,

Richard D. Speight,  
Thomas Jerkins,  
James Jones.

Initiated 7; Passed 6; Raised 6; Died 3; Rejected 4; Withdr'n  
7; Suspended 0; Expelled 0.

## PHENIX LODGE, No. 8, FAYETTEVILLE.

## OFFICERS.

Edward Winslow, W. M.  
 Thomas Waddill, S. W.  
 James Dodd, J. W.  
 Warren Prior, T.

A. M. Campbell, S.  
 Charles E. McIver, S D.  
 James McGilvary, J. D.  
 J. H. Toomer, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Joseph Arey,  
 John McRae,  
 Duncan McNeill,  
 John A McLaughlin,  
 Alexander Murchison,  
 Walter Draughon,  
 William Mitchell,  
 James A McRae,  
 Isham Blake,  
 Samuel G. Smith,  
 Edwin Glover,  
 James N Crosby,  
 R Strange, Jun'r,  
 James P McDougald,  
 James Banks,  
 C Hargrove,

William B Ham,  
 J B Walton,  
 William Warden,  
 Archibald McMillan,  
 John Maxwell,  
 Duncan M Buie,  
 William Potter,  
 H Erambert,  
 E Turlington,  
 P Dailey,  
 James B Ferguson,  
 W E Kirkpatrick,  
 C H Andrews,  
 James M Monk,  
 George McMillan,  
 D P McAlister.

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

D G McRae,  
 John Wright,  
 J W Sandford,  
 Beverly Rose,  
 C P Mallett,  
 O P Stark,  
 George McNeill,  
 H Leete,

J D Williams,  
 T J Curtis,  
 J S Raboteau,  
 R Strange, Sen'r,  
 T N Cameron,  
 James Gibson,  
 D Baker,  
 D Sutherland.

Initiated 8; Passed 8; Raised 10; Admitted 2; Rejected 1.

Initiated 7; Passed 6; Raised 6; Died 3; Rejected 4; Expelled 2.

## AMERICAN GEORGE LODGE, NO. 17, MURFRESBORO'.

## OFFICERS.

F W Capehart, W. M.	E G Carter, T.
R H Shield, S. W.	R H Worthington, S. D.
Alex. Britt, J. W.	L M Cowper, J. D.
J R Darden, S.	Alfred W Moore, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Samuel Polkenhorn,	Pleasant Jordan,
Samuel Moore,	G W Peete,
Samuel A Carden	Wm H Darden,
James Magett,	J C Jenkins,
Andrew Vinson,	D S McGlore,
Joseph G Cowper,	Giles W Joyner,
William Boon,	Wm T Bynum,
Kenneth Rayner,	James C Wright,

Deaths 1; Withdrawn 2.

## PHALANX LODGE, NO. 31, CHARLOTTE.

Returns of the Officers and Members of Phalanx Lodge, No. 31, held at Charlotte by Charter from M. W. Grand Lodge of North Carolina, together with a statement of admissions, initiations, passings, raisings, withdrawals, deaths, suspensions, expulsions and rejections, which have taken place in said Lodge from 27th November, A. L. 5848 to A. L. 5849.

## OFFICERS.

William Johnston, W. M.	John F Irwin, T.
William Hunter, S. W.	A C Steel, S. D.
Charles Overman, J. W.	S P Alexander, J. D.
Joshua Trotter, S.	R Shaw, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Thomas Trotter,	Charles Overman,
John H Wheeler,	Alexander Bethune,
Francis M Ross,	William Knox,
Samuel Taylor,	J McDonald,
William W Elms,	M L Wriston,

Alexander Springs,	D Hearne,
Joshua Trotter,	J Blackwood,
Nathaniel Alexander,	S M Stowe,
William Davidson,	R W Moor,
M P Shaw,	J D Simrell,
John Knox,	C C Mason,
Adam Scuyler,	John H Grier,
Robert Shaw,	John M Pottes,
James W Osborne,	Daniel Coleman,
Robert H Brawley,	R S Young,
John K Harrison,	R A Ross,
Alexander Graham,	J H Harriss,
Rev Marcus A McKibbon,	S N Wedington,
Robert Stuart,	A Torrence,
Robert Knox,	J F Irwin,
Rev Wm Crook,	G W Houston,
A H Martin,	J Williamson,
T D Gillespie,	A J Dargan,
D L Rea,	W P. Carutters,
J C Carhey,	L S Williams,
John Phelan,	A C Steel,
D Asbury,	SP Alexander,
James Bryant,	Wm Johnston,
R G McLain,	B F Davidson,
J Adams,	R M Robinson,
William F Davidson,	E G Morris,
T H Alexander,	J P C Massey,
E Tervis,	A R Ford,
R Colvert,	Jasper Stowe,
P C Caldwell,	Silas Rea,
W L Davidson,	S H Walkup,
Wm Q Smith,	

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

J Reid,	T McCall,
William Hunter,	Russell Rogers,
R Reed,	G Cross,
William B Wiltons,	T J Holton,
James Sloan,	H Hoover,
William L Davidson, Sr.	E Elmes,
Miles Abernathy,	J Sloan,
B Morrow,	J Davidson,
J H Gibbon,	J Spencer,

Admitted 1; Initiated 12; Passed 12; Raised 14; withdrawn 1.



## HIRAM LODGE, No. 40, RALEIGH, N.C.

## OFFICERS.

C. W. D. Hutchings, M. M.	J. J. Christophers, James
Robert W. Seawell S. W.	O. L. Burch, S. D.
J. W. Cosby, J. W.	W. J. Ramsay, J. D.
L. W. Peck, T.	R. W. Ashton, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

D B Griffin,	William D Cooke,
William J Lougee,	William D Haywood,
William G Hill,	J H Manly,
W W Johnson,	John Kane,
Joseph T Hunter,	Isaac Proctor,
William H Hood,	J J Christophers,
G W Scarborough,	O L Burch,
Thompson White,	C W D Hutchings,
H P Tucker,	H W Miller,
J M Lovejoy,	T R Fentress,
William F Collins,	E Smith,
J D Royster,	J W Cosby,
W J Ramsay,	W J Eddings,
R W Seawell,	James Terrell,
S M Whitaker,	John H Hutchings,
J R Whitaker,	Eli Dupree,
J T Marriott,	S King,
J M Harris,	C J Rogers,
William J Clarke,	William H High,
Charles P Jones,	R T Heflin,
K W Petersillia,	R W Ashton.

Admitted 12; Initiated 10; Passed 9; Raised 9; Withdrawn 2;  
Rejected 1.

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS

R R Bidder,	John Powell,
J P Stewart,	Henry King,
James P. Woodell,	Redden P. P. P.
William Crockett,	R D Wimberty,
Joseph R. Pitt,	Robert Norflet,
	J J Phillips.

Initiated 7; passed 7; raised 7; withdrawn 3; died 3; rejected 3.

## CONCORD LODGE, No. 58, TARBOROUGH.

## OFFICERS.

James Mehegan, M.	John F. Speight, S.
Elisha Cromwell, S. W.	William S. Long, S. D.
William Harrell, J. W.	Mayo Worsley, J. D.
Louis Bond, T.	John Knight, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Benjamin M Jackson,	Kenneth Thigpen,
Joshua S Horn,	Little Berry Brown,
William D Mercer,	David Cobb,
William Biggs,	George A Meeks,
John Knight, sen'r,	James Carney,
Britton Howell,	Josiah S Pender,
Robert H Pender,	William Pender,
Noah Leggett,	Samuel Marshbon,
Solomon Pender,	William D. Petway,
Simmons B Staton,	William Norfleet,
William S Baker,	R D Addidgton,
Timothy Ward,	B B Barrow,
James M Weaver,	A J M Whitehead,
Nathan Matthewson,	John O Oats,
Robert Staton,	John R Mercer,
Thomas Oberry,	James A Cobb,
Newsom Alsobrook,	Henry T Clark,
Benjamin Balls,	William G Thomas,
Samuel Hyman,	Marcus C Cherry,
J J B Pender,	James Pender,
William P. Harper,	P S Sugg,
Frederick D Little,	Bennett Pitt,
William H Hines,	Louis C Pender,
Charles Mabry.	

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBES.

Jesse Powell,	R R Bridgers,
Henry King,	J P Stewart,
Reddin Pittman,	James P Weddell,
R D Wimberly,	William Crockett,
Robert Norfleet,	Joseph P Pitt.
J J Philips.	

Initiated 7; passed 7; raised 7; withdrawn 3; died 3; rejected 3.

## PRRSEVERANCE LODGE, No. 59, PLYMOUTH.

RETURNS of the Officers and Members of Perseverance Lodge, No. 59, held at Plymouth, N. C. together with a statement of the Admissions, Initiations, &c. which have taken place in said Lodge, from November 21st, 5848, to November 28th, 5849.

## OFFICERS.

Joseph Ramsay, W. M.  
John McC Boyle, S. W.  
Isaac Kelly, J. W.  
Henry B. Short, T.  
Franklin F. Fagan, S.  
Edgar Hanks, S. D.

Joseph B. Griffin, J. D.  
James Magee, I. S.  
Joseph A. Spruill, J. S.  
Jesse G. Griffin, I. G.  
James W. Sikes, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Joseph Ramsey,  
Thomas C Pender,  
Thomas B Nicholls,  
John McC Boyle,  
Elijah H Willis,  
Franklin F. Fagan,  
Joseph B. Griffin,  
Isaac Kelly,  
Samuel T Gaylord,  
Dr Hardy Hardison,  
John H Walker,  
Henry B Short,  
Jesse G Griffin,  
Lemuel Douglas  
John Comell,

Edgar Hanks,  
James Magee,  
James W Sikes,  
Hugh Ballance,  
Willis Styron,  
John Brown,  
Joseph A Spruill,  
Reuben Tripp, jun'r,  
Lockhart Williams,  
Samuel Montgomery,  
William F Ellis,  
William G Gaylord,  
Harrison H. Spruill,  
George Styron.

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Alfred Winchell,  
Samuel Hardison,  
James Bell,  
Thomas S Armisted,

Joseph C. Norcom,  
John C Pettyjohn,  
Rev Mr Shepperd, LakePhelps

Initiations, 9; Passings, 9; Raisings 9; Withdrawn 1; Rejected 2

## EAGLE LODGE, No. 71, HILLSBORO.

The Returns of Officers and Members of Eagle Lodge, No. 71, together with the initiations, passings, raisings, withdrawals and expulsions for the year ending 1st Dec. A. L. 5849.

## OFFICERS.

Pride Jones, W. M.  
William Nelson, S. W.  
James Parks, J. W.  
Joseph Allison, Treas.  
D. D. Phillips, S.

Charles S. Warren, S. D.  
John Culbreth, J. D.  
W L Moore, }  
A C Murdock, } Stewards.  
William C Christmas, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

John Berry,  
Dennis Heartt,  
Solomon Allen,  
William Horton,  
John Cameron,  
Joseph Holt,  
John J Freeland,  
Frederick Nash,  
Eli Watson,  
Henry K Nash,  
Robert Lassiter,  
Edwin A Heartt,  
William T Shields,  
John B McMullen,  
Samuel E. Brackin,  
Calvin H Wiley,  
W S Atkins,  
Lafayette Cheek,  
James T Pratt,  
Alexander Dixon,

Moses Leathers,  
William M Green,  
George Laws,  
R F Pleasants,  
C L Cooley,  
Henry Richards,  
John Douglas,  
S P Moore,  
John T Allison,  
Wyatt Cates,  
W P Hughes,  
William Dixon,  
S B Woods,  
John F Lyons,  
Willie N Strayhorn,  
Thomas Webb,  
Wm F Bason,  
Wm McCowan,  
J M Palmer,

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

C M Lattimer,  
Edmund Strudwick,  
Stephen Moore,

Thomas Howerton,  
Wm V Vandiford,  
Burrus Cheek.

Initiated 20; passed 20; raised 14; withdrawn 2; expelled 1.

## GOLDEN FLEECE LODGE, No. 74, MILTON.

## OFFICERS.

J Wilson, W. M.  
 M P Huntington, S. W.  
 S B Holder, J. W.  
 Stephen Dodson, Treas.

W R Hill, S.  
 Fleming Word, S. D.  
 Charles R Dodson, J. D.  
 Thomas S Poore, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

M McGehee,  
 Jno Word,  
 W W McCain,  
 Fielding B Lewis,  
 Samuel Watkins,  
 Henry N Holden,

Thos A Donoho,  
 E S Barrett,  
 A Pate,  
 Wm Irvine, Jr.,  
 F A Wiley,  
 T T Watlington.

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

David Patterson,  
 C N B Evans,

Richard Yarborough,

Initiated 3; passed 3; raised 3; withdrawn 2; rejected 2.

## GREENSBORO' LODGE, NO. 76, GREENSBORO'.

Annual Returns of Greensboro' Lodge, No. 76, for the year ending  
 November 30th, 1849, to the Grand Lodge of North Carolina.

## OFFICERS.

Samuel Rainey, W. M.  
 David McKnight, S. W.  
 James F. Jollie, J. W.  
 S.

W. J. McConnell, T.  
 William P. Moring, S. D.  
 George W. Lee, J. D.  
 H. J. Warren, Tyler.

William Gott, Trustee to represent this Lodge in the Grand Lodge.

## MEMBERS.

Samuel Westbrooks,  
 Robert Mitchell,  
 David Scott,

C P Mendenhall,  
 Rev J W Freeman,  
 " J D Lumsden,

O Smallwood,  
 Marcellus Jordan,  
 Robert Caffy,  
 J B Basley,  
 H T Weatherly,  
 Michael Riley,  
 John Hiatt,  
 Gen J M Logan,  
 Robert Denny,  
 Peter Harris,

J W Howlett,  
 Nathan Hiatt,  
 W H Cummings,  
 Peter Adams,  
 J H Foust,  
 Joseph A Houston,  
 John Moring,  
 James D Cooley,  
 John G A Dick,  
 Abel Gardner.

#### RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Hon John M Dick,  
 Dr. J J M Lindsay,  
 Ralph Gorrell,

Dr John A Foulks,  
 Lyndon Swaim,  
 Joab Hiatt.

Initiated 5; Passed 5; Raised 3; withdrawn 11; rejected 1; expelled 1.

#### CHARITY LODGE, No. 78, WINDSOR.

RETURNS of the Officers and Members of Charity Lodge, No. 78, held at Windsor by Charter from the Grand Lodge of North Carolina; together with a statement of the Admissions, Initiations, Passings, Raisings, Deaths, and Expulsions which have taken place in said Lodge, from the 13th November, 1848, A. L. 5848, to the 12th November, 1849, A. L. 5849.

#### OFFICERS.

Kader Biggs, W. M.  
 George McGlanhon, S. W.  
 James H. Cherry, J. W.  
 Thomas Reddick, T.  
 William A Ferguson, S.

John P Jordan, S. D.  
 Joseph R. Bird, J. D.  
 John S. Shepperd, }  
 Harry Nicholls, } Stewards.  
 William P. Gurley, Tyler.

#### MEMBERS.

John Chamblee,  
 Alfred Eason,

Augustus Holley,  
 David Harrell,

Rich'd P Freeman,  
 Joel Grizzard,  
 Thomas Henry,  
 Jacob Perry,  
 James Perry,  
 Preston Perry,  
 Richardson Pierce,  
 Robert A Parker,  
 B B Russell,  
 Joshua Rayner,  
 Joseph J Rascoe,

Wm F McGlanhon,  
 Edward C Outlaw,  
 John Rebbins,  
 Thomas H Speller,  
 Robert H Smith,  
 Whitmel R Swain,  
 James Thompson,  
 Richard A Weston,  
 Noah H. Thompson,  
 West Leary,  
 Jehu N Webb.

Admitted 1 ; Initiated 4 ; Passed 4 ; Raised 3 ; Died 1 ; Expelled 1.

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### ZION LODGE, No. 81, TRENTON.

Returns of the Officers and Members of Zion Lodge, No. 81, Trenton, Jones county, by Charter from the M. W. Grand Lodge of N. Carolina, together with a statement of the admissions, initiations, raisings, withdrawals, deaths, suspensions and rejections, which have taken place in said Lodge, from 20th Nov. A. L. 5848 to 19th Nov. A. L. 5849.

#### OFFICERS.

William P Ward, W. M.  
 Roscoe Barrus, J. W.  
 Christopher D Foy, J. W.  
 William Huggins, Treas.  
 A G Eubank, S.

E W Haywood, S. D.  
 Amos J Koonce, J. D.  
 John Stanly, Tyler.  
 William Becton, }  
 William A Cox, } Stewards

#### MEMBERS.

William P Ward,  
 Roscoe Barrus,  
 Christopher D Foy,  
 William Huggins,  
 A G Eubank,  
 E W Haywood,  
 Amos J Koonce,  
 John Stanly,

B F Harrison,  
 James G Stanly,  
 F N Foy,  
 John Merrit,  
 B C Smith,  
 Edward W Ward,  
 J B Reynolds,  
 John Shackelford,

William Becton,  
William Cox,  
James J Rhodes,

John S Koonce,  
C B Koonce,  
Becton Isler,

Initiated 2; passed 2; raised 2; withdrawn 2.

FELLOWSHIP LODGE, No. 84, SMITHFIELD.

OFFICERS.

S P Horton, W. M.  
W F S Alston, S. W.  
J A Turnal, J. W.  
W H Morning, S. D.

E Rogers, J. D.  
J W Lee, S.  
T T Grice, T.  
D McPherson, S. & Tyler.

MEMBERS.

J Q Adams,  
J D Allen,  
E M Certain,  
W B Sanders,  
W R Moore,  
J Woodall,  
D A Powell,  
E A Bryan,  
W J Smith,  
S M Smith,  
O L Dodd,  
B C Richardson,

Dr J S Hackney,  
Dr A F Telfair,  
Dr J R Thompson,  
J H Bryan,  
W R Lee,  
D B Adams,  
J J Adams,  
W R Hooks,  
N B Stevens,  
J Nowell,  
W Nichols.

Initiated 9; passed 9; raised 8; withdrawn 9; admitted 1; rejected 1.

RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

John McLeod,  
Thomas Lockhart,  
Dr J O Watson,  
Dr H C Ennis,

David Lunsford,  
Pharoah Richardson,  
W T Robertson,  
W H Guy,



## MORNING STAR LODGE, No. 85, NASHVILLE.

RETURNS of the Officers and Members of Morning Star Lodge, No. 85, held at Nashville, North Carolina, by Charter from the Grand Lodge of said State; together with a statement of the admissions, initiations, passings, raisings, withdrawals, deaths, suspensions, expulsions and rejections which have taken place in said Lodge, from the 25th day of January, A. L. 5849, A. D. 1849, to the 25th of November, A. L. 5849, A. D. 1849.

## OFFICERS.

William H Smith, M.  
 Theo. H. Scott, S. W.  
 Benj'n H Sorsby, J. W.  
 Benj'n H Blount, T.  
 D A T Ricks, S.

John Eryant, S. D.  
 Jesse Beal, J. D.  
 A Cooper, } Stewards.  
 J J Drake, }  
 Gray Bridges, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

John H Drake, Jr.  
 Redmond Thorn,  
 James Sullivent,  
 John G F Drake,  
 Asael Vick,  
 Joseph A Drake,  
 Burtis F Strickland,  
 Willis Warren,  
 Thomas J A Cooper,  
 John H Harrison,  
 Joel Wells,

Calvin J Parker.  
 Alsey J Taylor,  
 J J Q Taylor,  
 John Mitchell,  
 Joseph M Taylor,  
 J A Stone,  
 Wilson Bailey,  
 H H Bryant,  
 Reddin Daughtery,  
 H H Sorsby.

Initiated 2; Passed 1; Raised 1; Withdrawn 2; Rejected 1; Expelled 1.

## SKEWARKEE LODGE, No. 90, WILLIAMSTON.

## OFFICERS.

Wm J Eilison, W. M.  
 Bryant Bennett, S. W.  
 Joshua E Smithwick,  
 W H Clements, S.

T C Hyman, J. D.  
 S C Whitley, } Stewards.  
 Wm B Pellard, }

L L Clements, T.  
John B Whitley, S. D.

T E Barnhill, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Joseph Waldo,  
Dr P P Clements,  
Lorton Cooper,  
William Slade,  
Joseph G Caraway,  
Dr Levi S Cates,  
Wm W Andrews,  
Lawrence Jones,  
Rev Pierce W Yarrell,  
James Mizell,  
Abram Cohn,  
Thomas R Coffield,  
G L Moore,

Levi Pippin,  
Samuel T Johnston,  
James A Daniel,  
A West,  
F J Harrell,  
George Hobbs,  
W K A Williams,  
James H Lloyd,  
John C Gatsingear,  
John Everitt,  
A S Mooring,  
H B Smithwick,

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

A H Coffield,  
N B Mariner,  
John Hyman,  
M B Ballard,  
A S Cotton,  
William Powell,  
Needham Hyman,  
S J Latham,  
Hooper Benjamin,  
S B Powell,  
Job Harrell,  
Simon T Everitt,  
Samuel Hyman,  
T W. Ward,

Dr George Cobb,  
Samuel S Shepherd,  
Jos J Williams,  
S M Smithwick,  
Joshua Taylor,  
Ebenezar Hyman,  
Daniel Brown,  
William T. Hyman,  
Jesse Martin,  
C C Hines,  
Newsom Alsobrooks,  
William Alsobrooks,  
Thomas C Hyman,

Admitted 3; initiated 8; passed 3; raised 1; withdrawn 4; died 1; rejected 2; suspended 1.

## JOSEPH WARREN LODGE, No. 92, STANTONSBURG.

## OFFICERS.

Louis J Dortch, W. M.	Jesse Sauls, S. D.
Wright Edmondson, S. W.	R A Baker, J. D.
Alfred J Ellis, J. W.	David Jordan, Tyler,
Lewis Ellis, S.	Charles Ellis, } Stewards.
E Sauls, T.	M Sauls, }

## MEMBERS.

Jacob Daniel,	J G Ellis.
William Pope,	J T Eason,
T M Wilkins,	John M Wilkins,
Wm J Armstrong,	Abner C Wilkinson,
D C W Ward,	Henry Pope,
Bryant Little,	Sandy R Dunn,
James M Gardner,	Redmond Ellis,
John Wilkinson,	S C Benjamin,

Withdrawn 5; initiated 1; passed 1; suspended 1; died 1.

## JERUSALEM LODGE, No. 95. HOOKERTON.

## OFFICERS.

Henry Miller, M. W.	Edward R Coward, S.
Henry Granger, S. W.	Cullen Edwards, S. D.
Charles Edwards, J. W.	Bryant H Sanders, J. D.
Isham Dixon, T.	John W Dixon, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Samuel W Ormand,	James L Canady,
R F Hodges,	William M Tuton,
Samuel G Lassitter,	Samuel C Taylor,
Wm. Hooker,	Richards D. Warren,
Fletcher Ormand,	Joseph Dixon,
	J

John W Rasberry  
 John H Coward,  
 Robert E Williams,  
 H D Harper,  
 David McKinnee,  
 Franklin Thomas,

Henry D Cason,  
 Ashly Allen,  
 Blaney Allen,  
 E G Speight,  
 James Brown,

#### RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Joseph Brown,  
 Ruffin Granger,

George P Kincey,  
 John Granger.

Initiated 11; passed 10; raised 10; rejected 1; died 3.

#### WAKE FOREST LODGE, No. 97, WAKE FOREST.

##### OFFICERS.

John O Jeffreys, W. M.  
 James G Jeffreys, S. W.  
 George W Norwood, J. W.  
 Richard Hunter, T.

John R Dunn, S.  
 Peterson Dunn, S. D.  
 Alston A. Jones, J. D.  
 Bollng Dunn, Tiler.

##### MEMBERS.

Jno W Justice,  
 Wiley Q Jones,  
 John G Fleming,  
 Jas N Terrell,  
 Jas. B Radford,  
 Jas A Hicks,  
 Thos. C. Robertson,  
 Robert N Jeffreys,  
 William T. Brooks,  
 G W Purify,  
 Thos J Terrell,  
 D S Crenshaw,  
 John H. Bell,  
 Elias Ligan,

Rev Jas S Purify,  
 Dr Jas Y Dunn,  
 T J Lemay,  
 John R Cooper,  
 Richard Ligon,  
 J R Jeffreys,  
 Jas S Moring,  
 John Norwood,  
 Leroy Chapel,  
 W H Mead,  
 Thos Hicks,  
 Junius W Fort,  
 Robert Jeffreys,  
 Robert E Harris,

William R Harris,  
Dr. Henry Seawell,

Jeremiah Dunn,

### RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS

John D Powell,  
William Barham,  
Turner Pullen,  
Michael Thompson,  
Sion Rogers,  
Benj Dunn,  
Jacob Hunter,

W B Dunn,  
Berry D Sims,  
W G Allen,  
Isaac Winston,  
Jas E Newsom,  
W D Jeffreys,

Initiated 8; passed 6; raised 6; withdrawn 1.

### HIRAM LODGE, No. 98, CLINTON.

#### OFFICERS.

A B Chesnutt, W. M.  
Everet Peterson, S. W.  
Fleet Cooper, J. W.  
Ollen Williamson, T.

J R Beaman, S.  
S Killett, S. D.  
Thomas S Pugh, J. D.  
John T Molton, Tyler.

#### MEMBERS.

Isaiah Thompson,  
James M Mosely,  
William C Buttler,  
John Bass,  
Owen H Johnson,  
James A Moore,  
John Robinson,  
A M Blackburn,  
Jacob Underwood,  
Francis Pugh,  
Hardy Herring,  
James Armstrong,  
William H Smith,  
Thomas Underwood,  
Amos Herring,

Thomas J Owen,  
Luke A Powell,  
H J Hobbs,  
William Williamson,  
Lewis F Carr,  
John E Fartner,  
Exum L Powell,  
Alfred W Pollock,  
Wright Gregory,  
Henry A Bizzell,  
A E McKoy,  
A S C Powell,  
Jonathan Carr,  
Rufus J Herring,  
Thomas Moore,

William Pugh,  
Stephen Senter,

John T. Eeet,

RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Thsmas J Faison,  
William T Kerby,  
A Monk,

J W Mosely,  
J W Lane,  
James T Mathis.

Admitted 4; initiated 8; passed 8; raised 8; died 2; withdrawn 2;  
expelled 1.

FULTON LODGE, No. 99, SALISBURY.

OFFICERS.

Ezekial Myers, W. M.  
Archibal H Caldwell, S. W.  
Henry A Jacobs, J. D.  
Jas H Enniss, S.

William Overman, T  
D A Davis, S. D.  
Jas R McDonald, J. D.  
Wm Swinck, Tyler.

MEMBERS.

O Woodson,  
Myer Myers,  
J M Brown,  
H C Simonton,  
M Whitehead,  
A W Buis,  
Wm Lambeth,  
Benjamin Frailey,  
Henry Smith,  
Henry A Smith,  
Wm Rouzy,  
Alex M Hederson,  
J W Ellis,  
H James,  
Y S Bryan,

Robert E Love,  
Calvin S Brown,  
Fales McDonald,  
John H Hoffman,  
Jno. I Shaver,  
Jno. D Sheek,  
John D. Brown,  
A M Nesbitt,  
F Crafts,  
D B Wood,  
Jas M Waddell,  
Wm C Randolph,  
Jno A Weerman,  
Braxton Bailey,

Withdrawn 16; initiated 12; raised 8; admitted 2; suspended 1; passed 9.

COLUMBUS LODGE, No. 102, PITTSBORO.

OFFICERS.

Dr John A Hanks, W. M.	William S Gunter, S. D.
Abel Marshall, S. W.	Edmund A Poe, J. D.
William Haithcock, J. W.	S L Riddle, } Stewards
Joseph Bynum, T:	Wm P Taylor, }
Nathan A Ramsey, S.	William Carter, Tyler,

MEMBERS.

W T Home,	Isaac Long,
Joseph Thompson,	H H Hatch,
W D Riddle,	Thomas Ray,
John C Por,	Francis Farrell
John Neal,	Sidney Yarboro,
Spencer McClenahan,	J Q A Leach,
Martin Hanks,	N A Stedman,
William Fooshee,	A B Morton,
James Taylor,	Ambrose Eubank,
John Terry,	John P Byars,
Jonathan Harelson,	H M Goodwin,
Chesley Council,	W S Webster,
Ruffin Davis,	Claitorn Justice,
William A Nash,	A P Stroowd,
S. S Hamlet,	W H Burgess,
Alsey Murray,	O S Yarboro,
H H Burke,	Rev A Gattis,
Wm McClenahan,	E A Moore,
Richard Webster,	John A Brooks,
William Stedman,	Alfred G Phillips,
Charles S Fooshee,	J H Bray,
Rev. Lucian Burnett,	James A Rollins,
Paschal McCoy,	Samuel C Brewer,
Thomas Marks,	Joseph M Bridges,
George W. Hite,	Eli B Emmerson,
John J Jackson,	Andrew J York,
R McIntosh,	Joseph Johnson,

Thomas Norwood,  
 John W Hatch,  
 Thomas E Glass,  
 West Harris,  
 Rev John R McIntosh,  
 Dr E B King,  
 A. D. Header,  
 Thomas J Cates,  
 James F Rives.  
 Wm. H Brooks,  
 Robert Hatch,  
 Dr Morgan Closs,

William Wilcox,  
 Henry W Arledge,  
 Tyson Johnson,  
 Rev Thos C Moffitt,  
 R S Moffitt,  
 John Howard,  
 Jonathan Lamp,  
 O A Stedman,  
 George R Griffith,  
 Dr Owen Hadley,  
 A T Pounds,

Initiated 21 ; passed 21 ; raised 21 ; rejected 1 ; withdrawn  
 died 1.

PERQUIMANS LODGE, No. 106, HERTFORD.

OFFICERS.

J M Cox, W. M.  
 J H Granberry, S. W.  
 M L Hathaway, J. W.  
 Joshua H White, S.  
 Milton Hudgins, T.  
 Exum Stokes, S. D.

Henry C Jones, J. D.  
 John G Berry, Tyler,  
 Nixon White, } Stewards.  
 E Brace, }  
 Timothy Billups, J. G.

MEMBERS.

Matthew O Jordan,  
 Micajah J Bunch,  
 James W Hathaway,  
 William Nixon,  
 Albert R Elliott,  
 Edmund C Blount,  
 James N Whedbee,  
 Arthur L Butt,  
 Joshua T Smith,  
 William Mullen,  
 Thomas R Simpson,  
 James C Skinner,

M S Berry,  
 Nathan Bagley,  
 James Gating,  
 Willis H Bayley,  
 Francis Nixon,  
 John H Edmundson,  
 James A Harrell,  
 Thomas B Stumph,  
 Watson White,  
 D Barcleft,  
 Richard Felton,



## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Nathan Winslow,  
Wilson Reed,  
Dr N C Skinner,  
Dr John N Bute,

Dr Chas M Ford,  
Thomas S Jacock,  
William Clary,  
James V Reed.

Initiated 3; passed 3; raised 3.

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## BELMONT LODGE, No. 108, DUPLIN COUNTY.

## OFFICERS.

James W Blunt, W. M.  
Charles Bradley, S. W.  
C J Oates, J. W.  
David Wright, T.  
C. D. Hill, S.

Thomas J Hudson, S. D.  
S J Wolf, J. D.  
Thos Wright, C.  
W. Southerland, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Daniel B Newton,  
A R Hicks,  
John F Rhodes,  
D Bowden,  
A J Hurst,  
R J Hunter,  
C D Hill,  
C O Hurst,  
W Farrior,  
John W Hall,  
J H Judge,  
E W Hines,  
F O Wilson,  
Jas W Blount,  
A P Hightower,  
B C Bowden,  
W Southerland,  
H B Hurst,  
S J Wolf,

C J Oates,  
A Jones,  
H F Murphy,  
David Wright,  
Thomas Wright,  
Wm M Bowden,  
Willis Williamson,  
Charles Bradley,  
B Bowden,  
E G Ward,  
E W Fonville,  
Lewis C Oates,  
James Winders,  
David Oates,  
L C H King,  
Majors Hines,  
Joseph T Rhodes,  
N J Farrior,  
Thos J. Hudson,

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Joshua N Loftin,  
 L R Loftin,  
 Joel Loftin,  
 M Blount,  
 F B Millard,  
 Daniel Glissen,  
 O R Kenan,  
 Isaac B Kelly,  
 W H Hansley,  
 R Stanly,  
 Sam'l Houston,  
 John E Hussey,

N Hall,  
 A Pollock,  
 S R Ireland,  
 H Sullivan,  
 A T Stanford,  
 T J Kenear,  
 W F Pollock,  
 H Grimes,  
 H W Faison,  
 James G Dickson,  
 G W Wallace.

Admitted 1; initiated 4; passed 6; raised 6; withdrawn 10; died  
 suspended 2; rejected 2.

## OFFICERS.

FRANKLIN LODGE, No. 109, BEAUFORT.

## OFFICERS.

Wm J Potter, W. M.  
 Henry Watus, S. W.  
 Isaac Ramsey, J. W.  
 Cijal W Pigott, T.  
 George Lane, S.

Jesse L Forlaw, S. D.  
 Wm C King, J. D.  
 Jesse Piver, S. S.  
 Parker Copes, I. S.  
 S H Walker, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

Wm H Piver,  
 Gayer Chadwick,  
 Zachus Farrow,  
 J C Manson, Jr.,  
 John Rumley,  
 Francis Thomson,

W F Manson,  
 Peter D Steward,  
 Samuel L Dice,  
 James M. Noe,  
 Peter D Steward,  
 Robert Sabiston,

Admitted 1; passed 1; died 1; withdrawn 2.

## WENTWORTH LODGE, No. 111, ROCKINGHAM COUNTY.

## OFFICERS.

N F Reid, W. M.  
 Wm M Ellington, S. W.  
 Hardy Fitts, J. W.  
 A T M Woollen, S.  
 Devin Miner, T.

Rob P Richardson, S. D.  
 Danl E Guerrant, J. D.  
 Valentine Allen, S. S.  
 Nicholas Dalton, J. S.  
 D A Widows, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

P W Archer,  
 Dan Arney,  
 P W Baughan,  
 Archibald Boyd,  
 Jones W Benton,  
 Thompson Brown,  
 John H Ballard,  
 James Currie,  
 Gaston D Cobb,  
 Johnson Crawford,  
 G H Chaplain,  
 J T Duke,  
 S A. Dalton,  
 K R Duke,  
 William Daniel,  
 Nathaniel Dodd,  
 Hughes Dillard,  
 James Dillard,  
 Rich A Ellington,  
 Nicholas Fitts,  
 John Forrest,  
 Thos W Field,  
 E W Hancock,  
 Bird J Hall,  
 D K Humphreys  
 J Holderby,  
 R J Johnson,  
 Jas H Jefferson,  
 Richard Johnson,  
 Horatio Kellam,

Gilbert A Lowe,  
 Booker T Lillard,  
 Jas W Moore,  
 Wm P Miller,  
 Jas. R McLane,  
 James Martin,  
 John New,  
 Wm Patterson,  
 Thomas Reynolds.  
 Sanford Reamy,  
 Hamilton Scales,  
 John Strong,  
 Absalom Stephens,  
 P B Stubblefield,  
 Joshua G Wright,  
 A C Whitemon,  
 James T Woodson,  
 C F Watkins,  
 Wm Withers,  
 Francis Watkins,  
 Levin Woollen,  
 Alexr Woodson,  
 J B Whitemon,  
 Jo D Watson,  
 Jehn W Cobb,  
 John N Cobb,  
 Wm Martin,  
 Pleasant Moore,  
 Elisha Wade.

Initiated 8, passed 7; raised 7; rejected 1; withdrawn 7.

## WAYNE LODGE, No. 112, EVERETTSVILLE.

## OFFICERS.

Jno W S West, W. Master.	Jno Wright, S.
A G Harrell, S. W.	Wm Hollowell, S. D.
J J Baker, J. W.	Jas McDuffie, J. D.
G W Collier, T.	David Jones, Tyler

## MEMBERS.

Jas Griswold,	Wm Vernon,
Wm R Musgrave,	J R Hatch,
Jno E Becton,	Ezekiel Smith,
Samuel Loftin,	Geo H Dudley,
J J Hooks,	Charles F Dewey,
Wm Caraway,	

## RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS

R Washington,	Jos Edwards,
Jno W Sasser,	Jas K Green,
Geo L Kornegay,	David Cogdell.

Admitted 2; withdrawn 1; initiated 4; passed 4; raised 3.

## PERSON LODGE, No. 113, ROXBORO.

## OFFICERS.

E G Read, W. M.	Wm R Webb, S.
Jones Drumright,, S. W.	Chesley Hamlin, S. D.
L C Edwards. J. W.	C H Bradsher, J. D.
Wm M Denny, T.	John H Gentry, Tyler.

## MEMBERS.

John Barnett,	S Winstead,
C H Jordan,	Wm T Sergeant,
J Woods,	Thos H Nelson,
S Vanhook,	A M Fuller,

A Vanhook,  
 Rev J P Moore,  
 Rev Wm O Reid,  
 Rev B M Williams,  
 A R Moore,  
 J M Winstead,

Wm Daniel,  
 S L Wiles,  
 C S Winstead,  
 Wm Bradsher,  
 Wm O Bowles.

Initiated 5; passed 5; raised 5; rejected 1; withdrawn 4.

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ST. ALBAN'S LODGE, No. 114, LUMBERTON.

OFFICERS.

Thos A Norment, W. M.  
 Robert E Troy, S. W.  
 John McK Alford, J. W.  
 Malcom E McNeil, T.

Robert S French, S.  
 John T Harington, S. D.  
 Willey Alford, J. D.  
 John A Barnes, Tyler.

MEMBERS.

John A Rowland,  
 Jacob Sundhamer,  
 Henry Lamon,  
 Charles Moore,  
 John C Moore,  
 Henry T Pope,  
 John J Register,  
 Henry F Pittman,  
 Hector McNeil,  
 James Blount,  
 Malcom C McNeill,  
 John Q Fulmore,  
 James P Drake,  
 Hector McNeill, Jr.  
 Alva Smith,  
 P D Treawick.

Gilbert W McKay,  
 F McNeill,  
 Moore T Sealy,  
 Henry L McCormack,  
 John W Alford,  
 John Q McLaughlin,  
 John McNeill,  
 Neill McNair,  
 John A Davis,  
 John Winslow,  
 Alex McMillan,  
 Hubert R Francis,  
 A Q Drake,  
 J H Floyd,  
 M Smith,

RESIDENT MASONS NOT MEMBERS.

Ed McQueen.

Admitted 1; initiated 1; passed 1; raised 1.

HOLLY SPRING LODGE, No. 115, WAKE COUNTY.

MEMBERS.

Alsey Hunter, W. M.	A J Woodward, S. D.
Anderson K Clements, S. W.	James F Rogers, J. D.
James Rogers, J. W.	S H Rogers, Tyler,
Joshua Rogers, T.	Wm Dupree, C.
Hinton Hudson, S.	

MEMBERS.

James Woodward,	Willis B Holland,
Pascal B Burt,	Archibald Leslie,
Gaston Utley,	Andrew W Betts.
T G Whitaker,	John H Burt,
Thomas J Utley,	A N Betts,
Thomas Young,	L Williams,
Leroy Mitchell,	William H Wood,
Isaac Hunter,	David H Gardner,
Green H Alford,	

There are two within the jurisdiction of this Lodge that are not members thereof.

Initiated 10; passed 10; raised 10; removed 2; died 1.

GERMANTON LODGE, No. 116, GERMANTON.

OFFICERS.

Isaac S Gibson W. M.	Wm W Stedman, T.
S S Blackburn, S. W.	Wm R Pepper, S. D.
C Hill, J. W.	Jas M Hardy, J. D.
Joel F Hill, S.	J J Guyer, Tyler.

MEMBERS.

David Wemyss,	H A Lumly,
S Ivey,	W W McCaless,
William Withers,	Dr J L Cole,
J B Kingsbury,	Dr B Jones,

Dr H W Bynum,  
 John Banner,  
 D F Dalton,  
 John Martin,  
 C W McAnally,  
 M R Fontaine,  
 T P Hampton,  
 Wm Matthews,  
 C H Matthews,  
 Elisha Banner,  
 C H Winkler,

A Scales,  
 Thos Payne,  
 Washington Payne,  
 Peter Hutchinson,  
 Wm B Taylor,  
 D W Edwards,  
 John A Martin,  
 A L Bitting,  
 T P Guinn,  
 W A Hoppe,

Initiated 10; passed 12; raised 11; admitted 1.

WILLIAM R. DAVIS, LODGE, NO. 117, WILSON.

OFFICERS.

MOUNT LEBANON, LODGE, No. 117, WILSON.

OFFICERS.

John G Williams, W. M.  
 James W Barnes, S. W.  
 B C Watson, J. W.  
 Larry D Farmer, T.  
 Benjamin H Bardin, S.

D P Shallington, S. D.  
 David W Barnes, J. D.  
 J J Taylor } Stewards.  
 J H Barnes, }  
 E G Clark, Tyler,

MEMBERS.

John W Farmer,  
 Hardy F Barnes,  
 Joseph Barbee,  
 James C Skinner,  
 William Tomlinson,  
 William D Thorn,  
 William H Skinner,  
 Samuel J Barnes,  
 John Coleman,  
 Benjamin White,  
 William Barnes,  
 Josiah Farmer,  
 Jonathan Dew,  
 Henry W Peel,  
 Edward H Stephens,  
 Arthur Farmer,

Jacob Taylor,  
 Calvin J Parker,  
 B E Farmer,  
 Duncan Ferguson,  
 B F Foster,  
 Jesse Mayo,  
 Alvin H Atkinson,  
 William D Farmer,  
 Levi Worrell,  
 Wesley Swift,  
 Isaac W Ricks,  
 R W Clayton,  
 W Parker,  
 K Taylor,  
 James Tomlinson,  
 W G Sharp,

W G Taylor,  
E Evans,

W Winstead.

Admitted 6; initiated 16; passed 17; raised 14; suspended 2; rejected 3.

WILLIAM R. DAVIE LODGE, NO. 119, LEXINGTON.

OFFICERS.

Junius L Clemons, W. M.  
Robert Burns, S. W.  
J W S Crowson, J. W. :  
A B Caldcleugh, S.  
Eli Perry, T.

J P Stimpson, S. D.  
Bennett Noe, J. D.  
John Morefield, Tyler,  
Rev. A D Montgomery, C.

MEMBERS.

J W Murphy,  
J M Leach,  
F F Stimpson,  
Elijah Renshaw,  
James A Long,  
Charles G Hepe,

Hiram Brummell,  
Wm Trogden,  
Karl W Petersillie,  
Geo. Greenfield,  
Jas S Caldcleugh,  
Henry E. Rounsaville.

Initiated 11; passed 12; raised 12; withdrawn 1; rejected 1.



**A LIST of the six principal Officers of the Grand Lodge  
of North Carolina, from 1787 to 1849, inclusive.**

DECEMBER 11, 1787.

Samuel Johnston,	Grand Master.
Richard Caswell,	Deputy Grand Master.
Richard Ellis,	Grand S. Warden.
Michael Payne,	" J. "
Abner Neal,	" Treasurer.
James Glasgow,	" Secretary.

NOVEMBER 18, 1788.

Richard Caswell,	Grand Master.
Michael Payne,	Deputy Grand Master.
James Glasgow,	Grand S. Warden.
S. W. Arnett,	" J. "
Stephen Cabarrus,	" Treasurer.
William J. Dawson,	" Secretary.

NOVEMBER 21, 1789.

Samuel Johnston,	Grand Master.
James Glasgow,	Deputy Grand Master.
S. W. Arnett,	Grand S. Warden.
Lunsford Long,	" J. "
Stephen Cabarrus,	" Treasurer.
William J. Dawson,	" Secretary.

NOVEMBER 17, 1790.

Samuel Johnston,	Grand Master.
James Glasgow,	Deputy Grand Master.
Stephen Cabarrus,	Grand S. Warden.
Isaac Guion,	" J. Warden.
Frederick Hargot,	" Treasurer.
Mathias Handy,	" Secretary.

DECEMBER 22, 1791.

Samuel Johnston,	Grand Master.
James Glasgow,	Deputy Grand Master.

Stephen Cabarrus,  
Lunsford Long,  
Frederick Hargot,  
Mathias Handy,

Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Treasurer.  
" Secretary.

DECEMBER 14, 1792.

William R. Davie,  
James Glasgow,  
Lunsford Long,  
John Macon,  
Frederick Hargot,  
James Ellis,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Treasurer.  
" Secretary.

DECEMBER 23, 1793.

William R. Davie,  
James Glasgow,  
John Macon,  
John Louis Taylor,  
Frederick Hargot,  
Richard W. Freear,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Treasurer.  
" Secretary.

DECEMBER 3, 1794.

William R. Davie,  
James Glasgow,  
John Louis Taylor,  
John Ingles,  
Waller Alves,  
Richard W. Freear,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Treasurer.  
" Secretary.

DECEMBER, 6, 1795.

William R. Davie,  
James Glasgow,  
John Louis Taylor,  
Henry Hill,  
John Macon,  
Robert Williams,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Treasurer.  
" Secretary.

DECEMBER 3, 1796.

William R. Davie,  
James Glasgow,  
John Louis Taylor,  
Montfort Stokes,  
Robert Williams,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Secretary.  
" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 10, 1797.

William R. Davie,	Grand Master.
James Glasgow,	Deputy Grand Master.
John Louis Taylor,	Grand S. Warden.
Montfort Stokes,	" J. Warden.
Richard W. Freear,	" Treasurer.
Robert Willaims, Jr.	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 16, 1798.

William R. Davie,	Grand Master.
John Haywood,	Deputy Grand Master.
Montfort Stokes,	Grand S. Warden.
David Caldwell,	" J. Warden.
Henry Potter,	" Treasurer.
Robert Williams,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER, 4, 1799.

William Polk,	Grand Master.
John Louis Taylor,	Deputy Grand Master.
Montfort Stokes,	Grand S. Warden.
Wrightsville Avery,	" J. Warden.
Henry Potter,	" Treasurer.
Robert Williams,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 3, 1800.

William Polk,	Grand Master.
John Louis Taylor,	Deputy Grand Master.
Montfort Stokes,	Grand S. Warden.
John Winslow,	" J. Warden.
Robert Williams,	" Secretary.
Henry Potter,	" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 11, 1801.

William Polk,	Grand Master.
John Louis Taylor,	Deputy Grand Master.
Montfort Stokes,	Grand S. Warden.
William Duffy,	" J. Warden.
Robert Williams,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 12, 1802.

John Louis Taylor,	Grand Master.
Montfort Stokes,	Deputy Grand Master,

John Hall,  
Nathaniel Alexander,  
Robert Williams,  
William Boylan,

Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Secretary.  
" Treasurer.

DECEMBER 11, 1803,

John Louis Taylor,  
Montfort Stokes,  
John Hall,  
William Duffy,  
Robert Williams,  
William Boylan,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Secretary.  
" Treasurer.

DECEMBER 13, 1804.

John Louis Taylor,  
Montfort Stokes,  
John Hall,  
Robert Cochran,  
Robert Williams,  
William Boylan,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. "  
" Secretary.  
" Treasurer.

DECEMBER 12, 1805.

John Hall,  
Montfort Stokes,  
Robert Cochran,  
William Duffy,  
Robert Williams,  
William Boylan,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. "  
" Secretary.  
" Treasurer.

DECEMBER 5, 1806.

John Hall,  
Montfort Stokes,  
Robert Cochran,  
William Duffy,  
Robert Williams,  
William Boylan,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. "  
" Secretary.  
" Treasurer.

NOVEMBER 28, 1807.

John Hall,  
Montfort Stokes,  
Benjamin Smith,  
George L. Davidson,  
Robert Williams,  
William Boylan,

Grand Master.  
Deputy Grand Master.  
Grand S. Warden.  
" J. Warden.  
" Secretary.  
" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 16, 1898.

Benjamin Smith,	Grand Master.
Robert Williams,	Deputy Grand Master.
George L. Davidson,	Grand S. Warden.
Andrew Caldwell,	" J. Warden.
Thomas L. Williams,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 11, 1899.

Benjamin Smith,	Grand Master.
Robert Williams,	Deputy Grand Master.
Montfort Stokes,	Grand S. Warden.
Dr. Calvin Jones,	" J. Warden.
Thomas L. Williams,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 1, 1810.

Benjamin Smith,	Grand Master.
Robert Williams,	Deputy Grand Master.
Dr. Calvin Jones,	Grand S. Warden.
George L. Davidson,	" J. Warden.
Thomas L. Williams,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

## NOVEMBER 29, 1811.

Robert Williams,	Grand Master.
Jeremiah Slade,	Deputy Grand Master.
Dr. Calvin Jones,	Grand S. Warden.
George L. Davidson,	" J. Warden.
Alexander Lucas,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 5, 1812.

Robert Williams,	Grand Master.
Dr. Calvin Jones,	Deputy Grand Master.
William Miller,	Grand S. Warden.
Alexander Lucas,	" J. Warden.
William Boylan,	" Secretary.
	" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 11, 1813.

Robert Williams,	Grand Master,
Jeremiah Slade,	Deputy Grand Master,

Dr. Calvin Jones.	Grand S. Warden.
William Miller,	" J. Warden,
Alexander Lucas,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

NOVEMBER 26, 1814.

John Louis Taylor,	Grand Master.
Jeremiah Slade,	Deputy Grand Master.
Dr. Calvin Jones,	Grand S. Warden,
William Miller,	" J. Warden.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.
Alexander Lucas,	" Secretary.

DECEMBER 18, 1815.

John Louis Taylor,	Grand Master.
	Deputy Grand Master.
Dr. Calvin Jones,	Grand S. Warden.
William Miller,	" J. Warden.
Alexander Lucas,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

DECEMBER 14, 1816.

John Louis Taylor,	Grand Master.
Kemp Plummer,	Deputy Grand Master.
Dr. Calvin Jones,	Grand S. Warden.
William Miller,	" J. Warden.
Alexander Lucas,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

DECEMBER 8, 1817.

Calvin Jones,	Grand Master.
John Winslow,	Deputy Grand Master.
James Iredell,	Grand S. Warden.
Simmons J. Baker,	" J. Warden,
Alexander Lucas,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

DECEMBER 19, 1818.

Galvin Jones,	Grand Master.
John Winslow,	Deputy Grand Master.
Louis D. Wilson,	Grand S. Warden.
Leonard Henderson,	" J. Warden.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.
Alexander Lucas,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER, 3, 1819.

Calvin Jones,	Grand Master,
James Iredell,	Deputy Grand Master.
Louis D. Wilson,	Grand S. Warden.
Leonard Henderson,	" J. Warden.
Alexander Lucas,	" Secretary.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 16, 1820.

John A. Cameron,	Grand Master.
Frederick Nash,	Deputy Grand Master.
Louis D. Wilson,	Grand S. Warden.
J. C. Ehringhaus,	" J. Warden.
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.
Bazaleel Gillett,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 3, 1821.

John A. Cameron,	Grand Master.
James S. Smith,	Deputy Grand Master.
Joseph H. Bryan,	Grand S. Warden.
William Boylan,	" J. Warden.
Benj. A. Barham,	" Treasurer.
	" Secretary.

1822—No record of proceedings found for this year.

## DECEMBER 15, 1823.

Robert Strange,	Grand Master.
Francis L. Hawks,	Deputy Grand Master.
Thomas Clancy,	Grand S. Warden.
Bazaleel Gillett,	" J. "
William Boylan,	" Treasurer.
Alex. J. Lawrence,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 23, 1824.

Robert Strange,	Grand Master.
Francis L. Hawks,	Deputy Grand Master.
Thomas A. Pasteur,	Grand S. Warden.
Bazaleel Gillett,	" J. "
Benjamin A. Barham,	" Treasurer.
Alex. J. Lawrence,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 6, 1825.

Hutchins G. Burton,	Grand Master.
Francis L. Hawks,	Deputy Grand Master.
George E. Spruill,	Grand S. Warden.
Louis D. Wilson,	" J. Warden.
Benjamin A. Barham,	" Treasurer.
Alex. J. Lawrence,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 19, 1826.

Hutchins G. Burton,	Grand Master.
Francis L. Hawks,	Deputy Grand Master.
George E. Spruill,	Grand S. Warden.
Louis D. Wilson,	" J. Warden.
Benjamin A. Barham,	" Treasurer.
Alex. J. Lawrence,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 6, 1827.

Louis D. Wilson,	Grand Master.
John E. Lewis,	Deputy Grand Master.
George E. Spruill,	Grand S. Warden.
Jesse Speight,	" J. Warden.
Benjamin A. Barham,	" Treasurer.
Alex. J. Lawrence,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 10, 1828.

Louis D. Wilson,	Grand Master.
John Owen,	Deputy Grand Master.
James Grant,	Grand S. Warden.
Samuel F. Patterson,	" J. Warden.
Benjamin A. Barham,	" Treasurer.
John C. Stedman,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 8, 1829.

Louis D. Wilson,	Grand Master.
John Owen,	Deputy Grand Master.
James Grant,	Grand S. Warden.
Samuel F. Patterson,	" J. Warden.
Benjamin A. Barham,	" Treasurer.
John C. Stedman,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 14, 1830.

Richard D. Speight,	Grand Master.
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Samuel F. Patterson,	Deputy Grand Master.
George Blair,	Grand S. Warden.
John H. Wheeler,	" J. Warden.
Benjamin A. Barham,	" Treasurer.
John C. Stedman,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 7, 1831.

Richard D. Speight,	Grand Master.
Samuel F. Patterson,	Deputy Grand Master.
R. Haywood,	Grand S. Warden.
D. Coleman,	" J. Warden.
D. Lindeman,	" Treasurer.
C. D. Lehman,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 17, 1832.

Simmons J. Baker,	Grand Master.
William Davidson,	Deputy Grand Master.
Gray Little,	Grand S. Warden.
John G. Marshall,	" J. Warden.
Thomas J. Lemay,	" Secretary.
D. Lindeman,	" Treasurer.

## DECEMBER 11, 1833.

Samuel F. Patterson,	Grand Master.
David W. Stone,	Deputy Grand Master.
Daniel Coleman,	Grand S. Warden.
Edmund B. Freeman,	" J. Warden.
D. Lindeman,	" Treasurer.
J. J. Christopher,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 3, 1834.

Samuel F. Patterson	Grand Master.
David W. Stone,	Deputy Grand Master.
Daniel Coleman,	Grand S. Warden.
John G. Marshall,	" J. Warden.
D. Lindeman,	" Treasurer.
J. J. Christopher,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 7, 1835.

Lewis H. Marsteller,	Grand Master.
David W. Stone,	Deputy Grand Master.
Daniel Coleman,	Grand S. Warden.
Edmund B. Freeman,	" J. Warden.
Green W. Ligon,	" Treasurer.

J. J. Christopher, " Secretary.

DECEMBER 14, 1836.

Lewis H. Marsteller, Grand Master.  
 David W. Stone, Deputy Grand Master.  
 Henry Blount, Grand S. Warden.  
 James Maclin, " J. Warden.  
 Green W. Ligon, " Treasurer.  
 William T. Bain, " Secretary.

DECEMBER 25, 1837.

David W. Stone, Grand Master.  
 Thos. L. B. Gregory, Deputy Grand Master.  
 William W. Cherry, Grand S. Warden.  
 William B. Dunn, " J. Warden.  
 C. W. D. Hutchings, " Treasurer.  
 William T. Bain, " Secretary.

DECEMBER 7, 1838.

David W. Stone, Grand Master.  
 Kenneth Rayner, Deputy Grand Master.  
 William W. Cherry, Grand S. Warden.  
 Duncan G. McRae, " J. Warden.  
 C. W. D. Hutchings, " Treasurer.  
 William T. Bain, " Secretary.

DECEMBER, 3, 1839.

David W. Stone, Grand Master.  
 William B. Dunn, Deputy Grand Master.  
 John G. Marshall, Grand S. Warden.  
 Daniel L. Crenshaw, " J. Warden.  
 C. W. D. Hutchings, " Treasurer.  
 William T. Bain, " Secretary.

DECEMBER 8, 1840.

Simmons J. Baker, Grand Master.  
 W. S. Baker, Deputy Grand Master.  
 D. L. Crenshaw, Grand S. Warden.  
 K. Biggs, " J. Warden.  
 C. W. D. Hutchings, " Treasurer.  
 William A. Harrison, " Secretary.

DECEMBER 7, 1841.

Daniel L. Crenshaw, Grand Master.  
 Thomas Loring, Deputy Grand Master.

T. E. Pender,	Grand S. Warden.
Davis Young,	" J. Warden.
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Treasurer.
William Harrison,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 8, 1842.

John H. Wheeler,	Grand Master.
J. H. Jacocks,	Deputy Grand Master.
T. E. Pender,	Grand S. Warden.
Davis Young,	" J. Warden.
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Treasurer.
William A. Harrison,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 7, 1843.

John H. Wheeler,	Grand Master.
Hon. D. L. Swain,	Deputy Grand Master.
P. W. Fanning,	Grand S. Warden.
William P. Taylor,	" J. Warden.
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Treasurer.
William A. Harrison,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 7, 1844.

P. W. Fanning,	Grand Master.
David W. Stone,	Deputy Grand Master.
Thomas S. Clarke,	Grand S. Warden.
A. S. Mooring,	" J. "
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Treasurer.
William T. Bain,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 4, 1845.

P. W. Fanning,	Grand Master.
Thomas Loring,	Deputy Grand Master.
Wiley W. Johnson,	Grand S. Warden.
Talcott Burr,	" J. Warden.
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Treasurer.
William T. Bain,	" Secretary.

## DECEMBER 10, 1846.

P. W. Fanning,	Grand Master.
William Gott,	Deputy Grand Master.
John H. Drake,	Grand S. Warden.
Peter Adams,	" J. "
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Treasurer.
William T. Bain,	" Secretary.

DECEMBER 8, 1847.

William F. Collins,	Grand Master.
Clement H. Jordan,	Deputy Grand Master.
T. Burr, Jr.	Grand S. Warden.
William H. Mead,	" J. Warden.
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Treasurer.
William T. Bain,	" Secretary.

DECEMBER 7, 1848.

William F. Collins,	Grand Master.
Clement H. Jordan,	Deputy Grand Master.
John H. Drake,	Grand S. Warden.
Joab Hiatt,	" J. Warden.
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Treasurer.
William T. Bain,	" Secretary.

DECEMBER 6, 1849.

William F. Collins,	Grand Master.
Clement H. Jordan,	Deputy Grand Master.
William G. Hill,	Grand S. Warden.
Joab Hiatt,	" J. Warden.
C. W. D. Hutchings,	" Secretary.
William T. Bain,	" Treasurer.

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