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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE
OF
ANCIENT YORK MASONS
OF
NORTH-CAROLINA.

DECEMBER, A. L. 5823.



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WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BROTHER,

In the discharge of a duty incumbent on me, I have the honor of transmitting to you the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of North-Carolina, at its Grand Annual Communication, A. L. 5823, accompanied with a list of the Lodges working under the authority of the same.

With respect, I have the honor to be yours fraternally,

Alex. J. Lawrence,

G. SECRETARY.

PROCEEDINGS.

GRAND LODGE OF NORTH-CAROLINA.

At a Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of North-Carolina, at Masons' Hall, in the city of Raleigh, on Monday, the 15th day of December, A. L. 5823.

PRESENT,

R. W. JAMES IREDELL, D. G. Master.
BENJ. B. HUNTER, S. G. Warden P. T.
THOMAS CLANCY, J. G. Warden P. T.
WILLIAM BOYLAN, G. Treasurer.
ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary P. T.
BAZALEEL GILLETT, G. S. Deacon P. T.
SAM'L F. PATTERSON, G. J. Deacon.
Bro. JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward P. T.
JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Royal White Heart, No. 2, Bro. Jesse A. Bynum.
Phoenix, No. 8. Bros. Robert Strange, Rev. Colin M'iver.
Washington, No. 15, Bro. James O. K. Williams.
American George, No. 17, Bro. David E. Sumner.
Davie, No. 39, Bro. James G. Mhoon.
Hiram, No. 40, Bros. B. Gillett, M. Cooke.
Hall, No. 53, Bros. Thos. C. Ferebee, W. D. Barnard.
Unanimity, No. 54, Bro. Wm. Bullock.
King Solomon, No. 56, Bros. John Peebles, L. P. Williamson.
Concord, No. 58, Bro. B. B. Hunter.
Perseverance, No. 59, Bro. Thomas Cox.
Kilwinning, No. 64, Bro. James Legrand.
Scotland Neck, No. 68, Bros. Gabriel Stewart, Jesse A. Bynum.
Eagle, No. 71, Bros. Jonathan P. Sneed, Thos. Clancy.
Western Sun, No. 72, Bros. W. Clements, Alsey Hunter.
Widow's Son, No. 75, Bros. Wilson B. Webster, Thos. Tillet.
Greensboro', No. 76. Bro. Thomas Trotter.

Albemarle, No. 77, Bro. Miles Elliott.

Sharon, Bros. Jesse Speight, John Cherry.

VISITORS.

Bros. Anderson Clements, Britain Barker, John Hayes, J. H. Harvey, James A. Patterson, John Forbes, D. Lindeman, John B. Tarrt, John Braselman, Brice Collins, Edward T. Brodnax, Robert H. Wynne, Elijah Price, Benj. Rhodes, W. G. Bowers, Richard B. Hatch.

The D. G. Master, being pleased to retire, called upon Bro. Robert Strange to take the Chair, who officiated as G. Master, pro. tem. the remainder of the evening.

The Grand Lodge was then opened in due form.

A committee, consisting of Bros. B. Gillett, Thos. Clancy and D. E. Sumner, were appointed to examine the proceedings of Charity Lodge, working by dispensation under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

Bros. Thos. Cox, John Peebles and A. J. Lawrence were appointed a committee to examine the several communications, directed to this Grand Lodge, which have been received since the last Grand Annual Communication.

Bros. Jonathan P. Sneed, J. Legrand and Jesse A. Bynum were appointed a committee to examine the accounts of the Grand Treasurer.

Bros. M'Iver, Cox and Boylan were appointed a committee to contract for the engraving of a suitable plate for printing certificates of membership, or diplomas, for this Grand Lodge; also to contract for the printing of such certificates or diplomas, and to superintend the same; and, *Resolved*, that said committee be and are hereby authorised to draw upon the G. Treasurer for whatever sum may be necessary to effect this object.

The committee, appointed to examine the proceedings of Charity Lodge, reported that the same were regular and satisfactory, and recommended that a Charter be granted said Lodge.

Which report was concurred in.

The committee appointed at the last Grand Annual Communication to purchase Swords and Candlesticks for this Grand Lodge, reported as follows:

That, sometime during the past summer, your committee drew from the Grand Treasurer the sum of one hundred dollars, which they placed in the hands of Bro. Wm. H. Haywood, jr. for the purpose of procuring Candlesticks and Swords for this Grand Lodge. Bro. Haywood accordingly

made the purchase, and has rendered the following statement of the expenses attending the same, viz.

3 Candlesticks,	-	-	-	\$46 50
Discount on North-Carolina money,	-	-	-	4 65
2 Swords,	-	-	-	33 00
Postage of letter,	-	-	-	75
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				84 90
Balance due Grand Lodge,	-	-	-	15 10
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				\$100 00

The above mentioned articles were shipped at Philadelphia, the 1st of September last, on board the schooner Unity, Capt. Waitham, by C. Watson & Sons, to the care of S. C. Brame, Petersburg, but have never been received. The Grand Secretary has since written to the Messrs. Watsons on the subject; but has not yet received their answer.

Respectfully submitted.

SAM'L F. PATTERSON, } Committee.
ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, }

Raleigh, Dec. 15, 1823.

Which report was concurred in.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded to the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year, when

The M. W. ROB'T STRANGE was duly elected G. Master;

The R. W. THOMAS CLANCY, S. G. Warden;

The R. W. BAZALEEL GILLETT, J. G. Warden;

The R. W. WILLIAM BOYLAN, G. Treasurer; and

The R. W. ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

Bros. S. F. Patterson, Thos. Clancy and D. E. Sumner were appointed a committee to wait on the M. W. Past Grand Master John L. Taylor, and request his attendance at this Grand Lodge on Thursday evening next, for the purpose of installing the Grand Officers elect.

Nothing further appearing before the Grand Lodge, it was adjourned until Thursday evening, the 18th instant, at 7 o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

Thursday evening, Dec. 18, A. L. 5825.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,

M. W. JOHN L. TAYLOR, P. G. Master.
 ROBERT STRANGE, G. Master elect.
 R. W. THOMAS CLANCY, S. G. Warden do.
 BAZALEEL GILLET, J. G. Warden do.
 ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary do.
 JOHN PEEBLES, G. S. Deacon P. T.
 SAM'L F. PATTERSON, G. J. Deacon.
 Bro. JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward P. T.
 JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

The same Representatives as at last meeting.

VISITORS.

Bros. Neal Horton, Anthony W. Horton, A. S. H. Burges, J. H. Harvey, Abram Hoadley, Geo. B. Outlaw, Eli W. Ward.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved.

A communication, from Mrs. C. Parsley, requesting permission to furnish a Masonic Ball on next St John's day, was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The M. W. Robert Strange, the Grand Master elect, was duly installed by the M. W. John L. Taylor, Past Grand Master; and thereupon proceeded to install the other officers of this Grand Lodge in ample form.

The committee appointed to examine the several communications directed to this Grand Lodge, reported, that they had performed that duty, and found nothing of sufficient importance to lay before this body.

Brother Benj. B. Hunter was added to the committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Grand Treasurer.

Ordered, that the Grand Secretary notify the W. Master of Western Sun Lodge, No. 72, to appear before this Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication, and explain the cause of certain irregularities supposed to exist in the Lodge under his charge.

Bros. B. A. Barham, A. J. Lawrence and J. C. Stedman were appointed a committee to purchase window curtains for this Grand Lodge, with authority to draw on the Grand Treasurer for a sum sufficient to pay for the same.

The following communication, from Alabama Lodge, No.

3, was read and ordered to be recorded in the Minutes of this Grand Lodge:

"Claiborne, October 31, 5823.

"To the Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North-Carolina:

"DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,

"I am instructed to inform you, that *John Yancey*, a Master Mason, and a member of Alabama Lodge, No. 3, was, on the 16th instant, regularly expelled for gross unmasonic conduct. Yancey is about five feet eight inches high, dark hair, fair complexion, and quick address; formerly a resident at or near Columbia, South-Carolina.

"ROBERT H. CROSSWELL, Sec."

Resolved, That all Masons, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, shall henceforth, at funeral solemnities, appear dressed in the badges which are peculiar to their masonic rank.

The account of Mr. B. B. Smith, for postage, was referred to the committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Grand Treasurer.

Ordered, That Bros. Wilson B. Webster, Thomas C. Ferree and Thomas Tillett, form a committee to inquire into the state of Camden Lodge, No. 63, Jonesborough; and that they report at the next annual Grand Communication.

The M. W. Grand Master made the following appointments for the ensuing year:

R. W. FRANCIS L. HAWKES, D. G. Master.

JOSEPH CALDWELL,	}	G. Chaplains.
WM. M. GREEN,		
WM. I. NEWBORN,		
COLIN M'IVER,		
LOUIS D. WILSON,	}	G. Lecturers.
THOMAS THOMPSON,		
JOHN PEEBLES,		
JAMES MORGAN,		
ROBERT H. WILSON,		
E. ARNOLD,		
B. B. HUNTER,		

SAM'L F. PATTERSON, G. S. Deacon.

NEILL HORTON, G. J. Deacon.

RICHARD T. BROWNRIGG, G. Marshall.

JONATHAN H. JACOCKS, G. Sword Bearer.

THOMAS W. BLACKLEDGE, G. Pursuivant.

Bro. JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.

JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

No further business appearing before the Grand Lodge, it was adjourned until Saturday evening next, at 7 o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Sec'y.

Saturday evening, December 20, A. L. 5823.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,

M. W. THOMAS CLANCY, G. Master P. T.
 R. W. B. B. HUNTER, S. G. Warden P. T.
 BAZALEEL GILLETT, J. G. Warden.
 WM. BOYLAN, G. Treasurer.
 ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.
 THOMAS W. BLACKLEDGE, G. Pursuivant.
 SAM'L F. PATTERSON, G. S. Deacon.
 NEILL HORTON, G. J. Deacon.
 Bro. JOHN C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.
 JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

Representatives as at last meeting, with the addition of Bro. John E. Lewis, from Golden Fleece Lodge, No. 74.

VISITORS.

Brethren C. I. Tooker, G. W. Barney, John Garner, Richard Yarbrough, Randolph Webb, Thomas Wilson.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved.

Bro. Isaac N. Lamb was added to the committee appointed to inquire into the state of Camden Lodge, No. 63.

The petition of Bro. Thomas Wilson, of Lodge No. 1, Newark, Upper Canada, praying for assistance from this Grand Lodge, to enable him to proceed to Columbia, S. C. was read, and Bros. Bynum, Peebles, and Stewart were appointed to examine the papers accompanying said petition.

Ordered, That the Grand Secretary append to the proceedings of this Grand Lodge a form, by which the subordinate Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge shall, in future, make their annual returns; and that said subordinate Lodges make their returns agreeably thereto.

Brothers Bazaleel Gillett, John Dunn, and B. A. Barham were directed to attend, either collectively or separately, and inspect the working and proceedings of Western Sun Lodge, No. 72, Wake County, and report to the next Grand Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge.

The committee, appointed to examine the papers accompanying the petition of Bro. Thomas Wilson, made the following report, which was concurred in:

The committee, to whom was referred the petition of Bro. Thomas Wilson, and the accompanying documents, recommend to the Grand Lodge that they direct the Grand Treasurer to give him twenty dollars, to aid him in prosecuting his journey.

J. A. BYNUM,
JOHN PEEBLES,
GABR'L STEWART, } Committee.

Dec. 20, 1823.

Ordered, That the Grand Treasurer be directed to pay to Mr. Benj. B. Smith, Post Master, Raleigh, the sum of \$19 59, for postage, as per account rendered.

No further business coming before the Grand Lodge, it was adjourned until Thursday evening, the 25th instant, at 7 o'clock.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

Thursday evening, December 25, A. L. 5823.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,

M. W. ROBERT STRANGE, G. Master.
R. W. THOMAS CLANCY, S. G. Warden.
BENJ. B. HUNTER, J. G. Warden P. T.
JAS. G. MHOON, G. Treasurer P. T.
ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.
GABRIEL STEWART, G. S. Deacon P. T.
L. P. WILLIAMSON, G. J. Deacon P. T.
Bro. J. C. STEDMAN, G. Steward.
JOHN LUMSDEN, G. Tyler.

VISITOR.

Bro. Wm. H. Haywood, jr.

The proceedings of the last meeting were read and approved.

The petition of Bro. C. T. Tooker, of Fayetteville, praying that he may be permitted to furnish this Grand Lodge with certain articles of furniture, was read, and referred to the committee appointed at this Grand Annual Communication to procure window curtains.

Ordered, That the G. Secretary notify all Lodges, working under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, who have failed to make payment of their annual dues, that unless

they settle the same by the next Annual Grand Communication, their Charters will be considered as forfeited.

Resolved, That Bro. Wm. H. Haywood, jr. be requested, and is hereby authorised, to make the necessary inquiries respecting the Swords and Candlesticks, purchased by him during the past summer for this Grand Lodge, and which are supposed to have been lost on their way from Philadelphia to Petersburg; and, in case they cannot be found, to endeavor to effect a recovery of the value thereof from such person or persons as may be liable for the same; and also to purchase others in lieu thereof: with authority to draw upon the G. Treasurer for such sum as may be necessary to carry this resolution into effect.

Ordered, That the committee, appointed at this Grand Communication to procure window curtains, be further instructed to purchase chairs for this Hall; and that they be authorised to draw upon the G. Treasurer for a sum sufficient to enable them to make such purchase.

On motion, the M. W. G. Master is authorised to procure suitable jewels for the officers of this Grand Lodge; and to draw on the G. Treasurer for the cost of the same.

No further business coming before this Grand Lodge, it was closed in ample and solemn form until the next Grand Annual Communication.

ALEX. J. LAWRENCE, G. Secretary.

LIST OF LODGES

Under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of N. Carolina, 1824.

St. John's,	No. 1,	Wilmington.
Royal White Heart,	2,	Halifax.
St. John,	3,	Newbern.
Phoenix,	8,	Fayetteville.
Johnston Caswell,	10,	Warrenton.
Washington,	15,	Beaufort.
American George,	17,	Murfreesborough.
King Solomon,	18,	Jones County.
Hiram,	24,	Williamsborough.
Mount Moriah,	27,	Iredell.
Phalanx,	31,	Charlotte.
Freeland,	33,	Rowan.
Davie,	39,	Bertie.
Hiram,	40,	Raleigh.
Liberty,	45,	Wilkesborough.
Hall,	53,	Currituck.
Unanimity,	54,	Edenton.
King Solomon,	56,	Northampton.
St. Andrews',	57,	Louisburg.
Concord,	58,	Tarborough.
Perseverance,	59,	Plymouth.
Union,	62,	Waynesborough.
Camden,	63,	Jonesborough.
Kilwinning,	64,	Wadesborough.

Whereby the Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge are
Annual Communications to

A. L. to

OFFICERS.

Master.
S. Warden.
J. Warden.
Treasurer.
Secretary.
S. Deacon.
J. Deacon.
Steward.
Tyler.

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