
Centennial Proceedings

of the

M. M. Grand Lodge

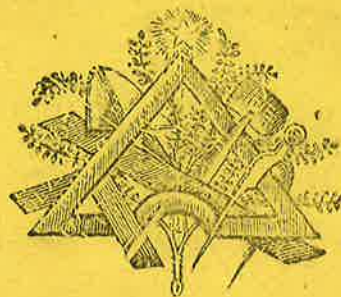
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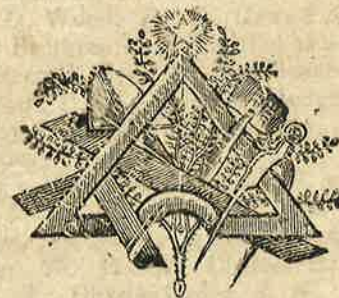
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At the annual Grand Communication of the GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, held in the City Hall of the City of Wilmington, on Thursday, the 27th day of June, A. L., 5844, a constitutional number of the subordinate Lodges being represented, the Grand Lodge was opened in ample form.

The following Grand officers were present :

M. W. Alexander Porter, *D. G. M.* as Grand Master.

R. W. James P. Lofland, *D. G. M.* Pro Tem.

" " William Clark, *G. S. W.* Pro Tem.

" " Manlove Jester, *G. J. W.* Pro Tem

" " John Cleland, *Grand Treasurer.*

" " John McClung, *Grand Secretary.*

W. Charles H. Gordon, *G. S. Deacon* Pro Tem.

" James W. Dawson, *G. J. Deacon* Pro Tem.

" George W. Chaytor, *Grand Marshall* Pro Tem.

" John Simms, *Grand Sword Bearer* Pro Tem.

" John Cochran, *Grand Tyler.*

R. W. John D. Wood, *P. D. Grand Master.*

The following Brethren were admitted as visitors :

Brothers Spencer D. Eves, *P. M.*, Richard Clement, *P. M.*, Benjamin Chandler, *P. M.*, Urban D. Hedges, William Boddy, William Farraday, William Penn Chandler, Jonas P. Fairlamb, John W. Peterson.

The following Lodges were represented, viz :

Washington Lodge, No. 1—By William Campbell, *J. W.*

Temple Lodge, No. 9—By James P. Lofland, *W. M.*

Temple Lodge, No. 11—By Charles H. Gordon, *W. M.*, John Simms, *S. W.*, Charles Grobe, *J. W.*

La Fayette Lodge, No. 14—By George W. Chaytor, *W. M.*, T. Booth Roberts, *J. W.*

Warren Lodge, No. 16—By Manlove Jester, *S. W.*

The Minutes of the last Grand Communication were read and on motion, Approved.

The returns of the different subordinate Lodges were then read, except Washington Lodge, No. 1, they not being signed by the proper officers, were omitted.

The Grand Lodge then took a recess until 2 o'clock, P. M., at which hour the Lodge was called on and resumed its labors.

The Committee appointed to dispose of the Lodge room at Dover not being prepared to make a final Report was, on motion, continued.

The Grand Secretary reported that he had received from G. B. Riddle the Jewels belonging to Jefferson Lodge, No. 15, and that they are now in his possession, subject to the disposal of the Grand Lodge.

On Motion,

RESOLVED, That *Brother* William Campbell, *J. W.*, of Washington Lodge, No. 1, be permitted to represent said Lodge at this Communication.

The Committee appointed to settle with the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, Report

That after due examination of their respective accounts, find them to be correct. Balance in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, \$5 97. That he has sold one share of the Capital Stock of the Farmers' Bank of the State of Delaware, which is credited upon his books and disposed of in accordance with the Resolution of the Grand Lodge, adopted at its last Communication.

WILLIAM CLARK,
S. D. EVES,
Committee.

City Hall, June 27th, A. L., 5844.

The Committee of Correspondence Report

That they have made a partial examination of the communications received by the Grand Secretary, from the different Grand Lodges of the United States, and cannot discover anything that will be important for the action of this Grand Lodge at the present meeting, except the following Letter, which they beg leave to read:

Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Quarterly Grand Communication,

MONDAY, June 3d, 1844, A. L., 5844.

The following resolution was, on motion, duly made, seconded and adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, That the Grand Secretary present from this Lodge a copy of the Addresses of Brother Past Grand Master JOSEPH R. CHANDLER, to each of the sister Grand Lodges with which he is in correspondence.

Extract from the Minutes.

WILLIAM H. ADAMS,
Grand Secretary.

On motion, it was unanimously

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be and are hereby presented to the Right Worshipful the Grand Lodge of the State of Pennsylvania, for a copy of the aforesaid Addresses, and that this Resolution be forwarded to the Grand Secretary of said Grand Lodge.

On Motion,

RESOLVED, That the Grand Lodge now proceed to the election of Officers for the ensuing year.

Upon counting the ballots it appeared that the following Brethren had received a majority of the votes for the Offices attached to their respective names, and were accordingly declared to be duly elected, viz:

M. W. *Doctor* ELIAS S. RICKARDS, Grand Master.

R. W. ALEXANDER PORTER, Deputy Grand Master.

" " JOHN MCCLUNG, Grand Senior Warden.

" " *Doctor* WILLIAM BURTON, Grand Junior Warden.

" " JOHN CLELAND, Grand Treasurer.

" " T. BOOTH ROBERTS, Grand Secretary.

The Officers elected were severally installed by Past Grand Master John McClung, except the M. W. Grand Master and R. W. Grand Junior Warden.

The Grand Senior Warden appointed W. Charles H. Gordon, *W. M.* of Temple Lodge, No. 11, Grand Junior Deacon.

Since the Grand Communication, the M. W. Grand Master made the following Constitutional appointments:

W. William G. Whiteley, *W. M.* of Washington Lodge, No. 1, Grand Senior Deacon.

" George W. Chaytor, *W. M.* of La Fayette Lodge, No. 14, Grand Marshal.

" Daniel C. Godwin, Grand Sword Bearer.

" Rev. T. P. McColly, Grand Chaplain.

" John Cochran, Grand Tyler.

RESOLVED, That the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge and the returns of the subordinate Lodges, be printed and distributed among the Grand Lodges of the United States and the subordinate Lodges of this State.

The M. W. Grand Master pro tem. appointed as a Committee to carry into effect the above resolution *Brothers* George W. Chaytor, Spencer D. Eves and T. Booth Roberts.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed *Brothers* William G. Whiteley, Charles H. Gordon and George W. Chaytor, a Committee to settle the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

The following *Brethren* were appointed the Committee of Correspondence for the ensuing year, viz :

John McClung, William Clark, James P. Lofland, William G. Whiteley, John Simms.

GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE.

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 " Rev. T. P. MCCOLLY, Grand Chaplain.
 " JOHN COCHRAN, Grand Tyler.

Past Grand Masters.

M. W. Jesse Green,	M. W. Joshua Gordon Brinckle,
" " Edward Roche,	" " Arnold Naudain,
" " Gunning Bedford,	" " Josiah F. Clement,
" " John Sellars,	" " John McClung,
" " Willard Hall,	" " Joseph G. Oliver,
" " James Rogers,	" " George Frame,
" " James Derrickson,	" " James P. Lofland.

R E T U R N S & c.,

From such of the subordinate Lodges as have made returns to the present Communication :

WASHINGTON LODGE, No. 1—WILMINGTON.

William G. Whiteley, <i>W. M.</i> ,	Isaac Spear,
James Morrow, <i>S. W.</i> ,	William Simmons, <i>P. M.</i> ,
William Campbell, <i>J. W.</i> ,	Elisha Huxley,
Alexander Porter, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	John Cleland, <i>P. M.</i> ,
Jonas P. Fairlamb, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Jesse Sharpe,
William Clark, <i>P. M.</i> ,	Patrick Christye,
Benjamin Chandler, <i>P. M.</i> ,	Peter Johnson,
John Elliott,	John Davidson,
Joseph Seeds, <i>P. M.</i> ,	Robert Chandler,
William Simpson, <i>P. M.</i> ,	Andrew Allen,
John McClung, <i>P. M.</i> ,	Francis McGuire

Alexander Porter, *P. M.*,
 Albert Robinson,
 John M. Smith,
 William Solomon,

William Farraday.
 Henry G. Banning, *E. A.*,
 Alexander McCoy,
 William Penn Chandler,
 Smiley King.

HOPE LODGE, No. 4—SEAFORD.

No Returns.

TEMPLE LODGE, NO. 9—MILFORD.

James P. Lofland, <i>W. M.</i>	James Walton,
William F. Revil, <i>S. W.</i>	John Moore,
Henry Taylor, <i>J. W.</i>	Robert H. Winsmore,
Daniel C. Godwin, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William Burton,
Bethuel Watson, <i>Secretary</i> ,	Nathaniel Davis,
Daniel Godwin,	James H. Buchanan,
Henry Hudson,	James M. Dutton,
Beniah Watson,	Rhodes S. Hemmons,
William Thompson,	Liston A. Houston,
William Jacobs,	Curtis S. Watson,
James C. Tatman,	James N. Jacobs,
John A. Collins,	John R. Vauls,
Amos Stayton,	Joseph Watson,
William N. W. Dawson,	Hudson Burr,
Robert Winsmore,	Robert H. Clark,
	William T. Clark,

TEMPLE LODGE, No. 11—WILMINGTON.

Charles H. Gordon, <i>W. M.</i>	Samuel McCaulley,
John Simms, <i>G. W.</i>	Richard Clement, <i>P. M.</i>
Charles Grobe, <i>J. W.</i>	William Mars, <i>P. M.</i>
John Wright, <i>Treasurer</i> ,	William A. Slacum,
James W. Dawson, <i>Secretary</i> .	Louis Hart,
John Rice,	William Boddy,
Brooke T. Turner,	John Morrow.

FRANKLIN LODGE NO. 12—GEORGETOWN.
 No Returns.

LAFAYETTE LODGE NO. 14—WILMINGTON.

George W. Chaytor, <i>W. M.</i>	Abraham Boys,
Moses S. Edwards, <i>S. W.</i>	Henry C. Fisher,
T. Booth Roberts, <i>J. W.</i>	John D. Wood, <i>P. M.</i>
David L. Moody, <i>Treasurer.</i>	Elijah Kane, <i>F. C.</i>
John W. Peterson, <i>Secretary.</i>	David F. O'Daniel, <i>F. C.</i>
Spencer D. Eves, <i>P. M.</i>	John Aitkin, <i>E. A.</i>
William Ainscow,	John Aikin,
John Johnson,	Samuel McCaulley, Withdrawn.
George W. Gardner,	John Rice, do.
Charles B. F. Smith,	John Moore, do.
Joseph Davis,	Peter Buckley, do.
Andrew C. Reynolds,	John Bauman, do.
Urban D. Hedges,	Zenas B. Glazier, do.
Joseph Richardson,	Washington E. Moore, do.
John Read,	James Moran, do.
Henry Devou,	Hugh O'Brien, do.
Collin McAllister,	John Wright, do.
William Walters,	William Marr, do.
Nathaniel Wolfe,	Patrick McCoy, do.
Thomas Scott,	John B. Stevens, do.
Wm. Hemphill Jones, <i>P. M.</i>	Nicholas G. Williamson, <i>Past</i>
Wilmer W. Walters,	<i>Master,</i> Dead.
John Bantz,	Gideon Jaques, Dead.
Benjamin B. Chambers,	John Fuss, <i>Expelled,</i>
George Forward,	John Siffin, do.
John Gordon, <i>P. M.</i>	William M. Naudain, do.
Cyrus Abbott,	Richard G. Bray, <i>P. M.</i> do.
	John Cochran, Tyler.

Initiations, 5.

WARREN LODGE NO. 16—GLASGOW.

Eli Nowland, <i>W. M.</i>	R. T. P. Clayton, <i>Secretary.</i>
Manlove Jester, <i>S. W.</i>	Ephraim Knowls,
Cyrus Tatman, <i>J. W.</i>	James Bates,
John McCracken, <i>Treasurer.</i>	David Bates,

Geo. W. Chaytor, } Committee
 Spencer D Eves, } of the
 T. Booth Roberts. } Grand Lodge.

Wilmington December, 23d, A. L. 5844.