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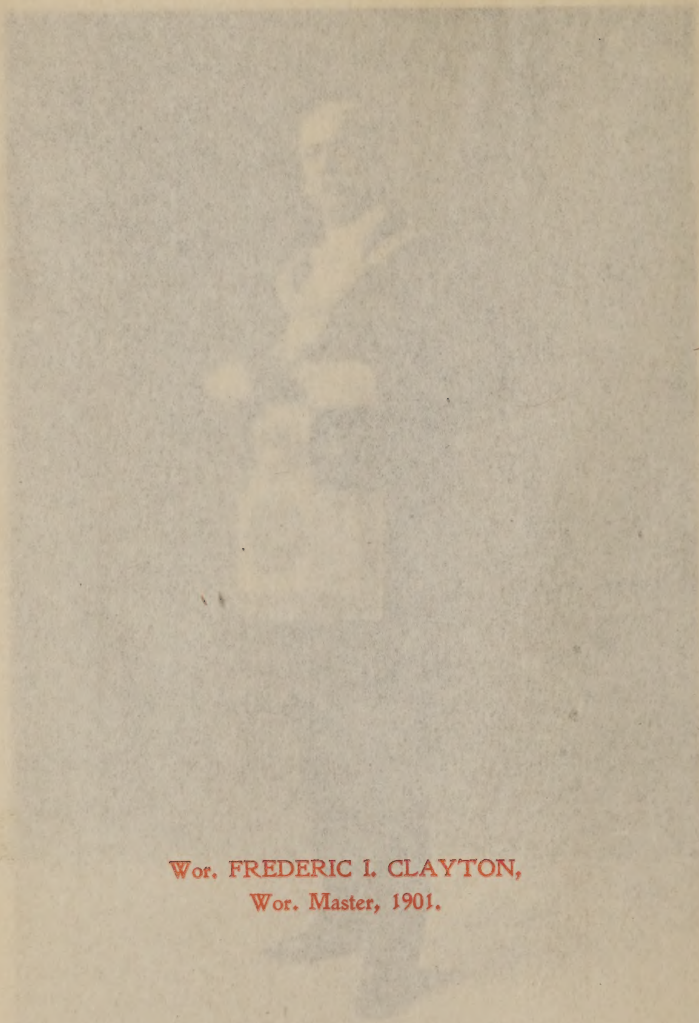

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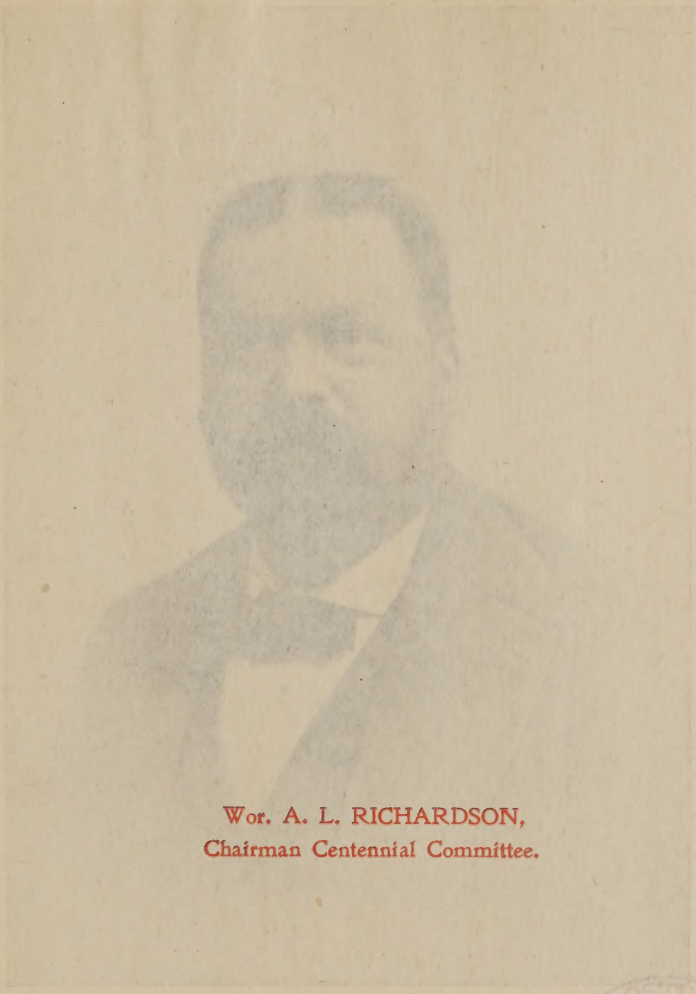

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Chairman Centennial Committee.

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Mt. Lebanon Centennial.

INTRODUCTORY.

THE Centennial of Mt. Lebanon Lodge was celebrated on the evening of Monday, June 10, 1901, and was participated in by the brethren of the Lodge, their ladies and guests, to the number of four hundred and fifty.

The occasion was one to which the brethren had long been looking forward with bright anticipation, and a brief account of the steps taken preparatory to a proper celebration of the event, will not be inappropriate.

At the April Communication of the Lodge in 1900, on motion of Wor. Bro. Albert L. Richardson, in view of the approach of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the foundation of the Lodge, it was

Voted, That a Committee be appointed to arrange for a proper celebration of the event.

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE.

The Committee, as subsequently appointed, consisted of

Wor. Bro. ALBERT L. RICHARDSON, *Chairman.*
Wor. Bro. FRED. I. CLAYTON, *Master.*
Bro. WALTER B. TRIPP, *Senior Warden.*
Bro. EDWIN M. STEERE, *Junior Warden.*
R. Wor. Bro. CHARLES E. PHIPPS.
R. Wor. Bro. EDWARD F. SMITH.
Wor. Bro. CHARLES J. MILLER.
Wor. Bro. GEORGE E. ATWOOD.
Wor. Bro. WILLIAM B. PHIPPS.
Wor. Bro. HARRY D. DELANO.
Wor. Bro. CHARLES W. PARKER, Jr.
Bro. EDWARD W. PHILLIPS.
Bro. ALBERT A. POLLARD.
Bro. CHARLES H. WHITTIER.

Many meetings were held by the Committee, and in September, 1900, a circular was mailed to every member of the Lodge, calling attention to the proposed Celebration, and asking for subscriptions. The answers were most satisfactory, and donations were received from 134 of the brethren, in sums varying from $2 to $100, amounting in all to $1,929.

Mrs. Esther W. Smith, the widow of our Past Wor. Bro. W. H. L. Smith, Master in 1853, 1854, 1855 and 1856, forwarded a check in his memory, this being the



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At one of the first meetings of the Committee it was determined that a medal should be struck in bronze to commemorate the event, from dies engraved by Henry Mitchell; this medal is one inch and one-half in diameter, and may be described as follows:—

Obverse: Legend on the outer circle, above, · CENTENARY · MEDAL ·; below, ✣ · 5801 : 5901 · ✣; in the field a Lebanon cedar with the date JUNE 10, just below it. Reverse: Legend on the outer circle, above, · MOUNT · LEBANON · LODGE · BOSTON · and below, completing the circle, ✣ CONSTITUTED. A. L. 5801 ✣ In the lower part of the field the square and compasses, and directly above is the crest of the Grand Lodge, a dove holding in its bill an olive branch; on the dexter side is the sun in splendor and below it a level; on the sinister side the crescent moon with seven stars beneath it and a plumb-level below.

A pin-bar with the words MT. LEBANON LODGE and a blue watered ribbon connecting the bar with the pendant medal.

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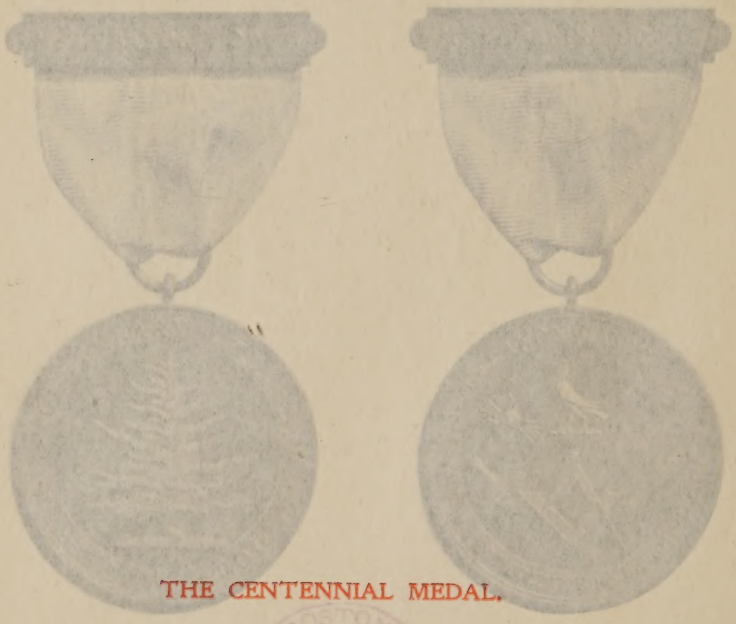

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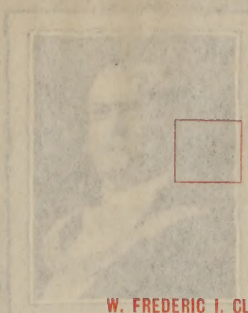
MASONIC TEMPLE,

MONDAY, JUNE 10, 1901,

FIVE, P. M.

"High on a hill a goodly Cedar grewe,
Of wondrous length, and straight proportion,
That farre abroad her daintie odours threwe;
'Mongst all the daughters of proud Lebanon,
Her match in beautie was not anie one."



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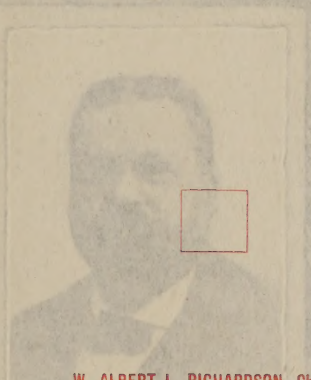

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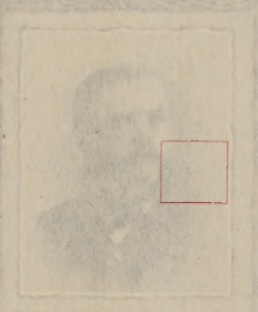

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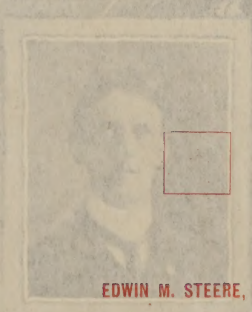

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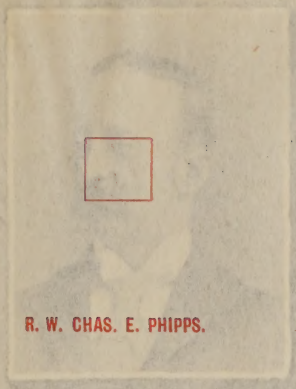

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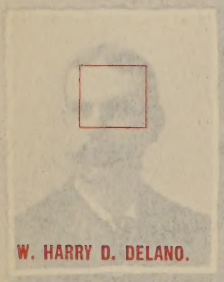

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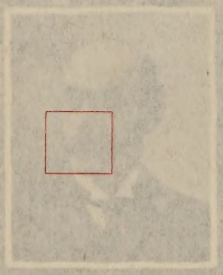

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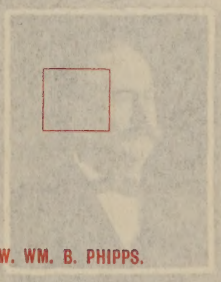

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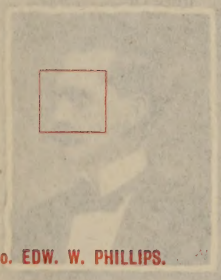

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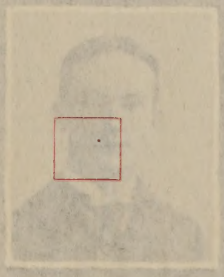

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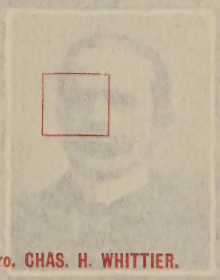

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Bro. C. H. WHITTIER.

Reception Committee.

"You are welcome, Masters; welcome all."

Bro. FRANK W. ATWOOD.
Bro. GEORGE H. W. BATES.
Bro. GEORGE D. BROWN.
Bro. WILLIAM A. COOK.
Bro. JERE A. DOWNS.
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Bro. A. C. SAWYER.
Bro. C. C. WHITTIER.
Bro. E. D. WOOD.
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Music.

HERBERT JOHNSON QUINTETTE CLUB.

BERTHA MASON, Mezzo Soprano.
GRACE CARTER, Mezzo Alto.
REGINA GUILMETTE, Alto.
AGNES MAY, Contralto.
Bro. HERBERT O. JOHNSON, Tenor.
Bro. JOSEPH L. WHITE, Baritone.

"Come, ho! and wake Diana with a hymn."

EUTERPE CLUB.

H. F. ODELL, - . Director.

W. M. RICE. C. B. GOODRICH.
H. HINDENLANG. R. L. PUTNAM.

"Take but one degree away, untune that string,
And, hark, what discord follows!"

Bro. HOWARD M. DOW, Organist.

Bro. T. M. CARTER AND ORCHESTRA.

CHARLES T. GRILLEY, Humorist.

"A College of Wit—crackers cannot flout me out of my humor."

Order of Exercises in Corinthian Hall.

"See, your guests approach:
Address yourself to entertain them sprightly."

1. **Organ Recital** . . . . . Bro. Howard M. Dow.

"Wilt thou have music? hark! Apollo plays."

2. **Entrance of the Officers of Mt. Lebanon Lodge.**

3. **Reception of Most Wor. Bro. Charles T. Gallagher,**

Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

"Here's our chief guest,
If he had been forgotten
It had been as a gap in our great feast."

4. **Music.** Quintette, "Lift Thine Eyes" . . *Mendelssohn.*

Ladies' Quintette.

"Such songs have power to quiet
The restless pulse of care."

5. **Prayer** . . . Wor. Bro. Charles J. Miller, Chaplain.

6. **Address of Welcome** . . Wor. Master Fred. I. Clayton.

"Your trusty and most valiant servitor."

7. **Reading of the Charter of Mt. Lebanon Lodge.**

By R. W. Bro. Charles E. Phipps.

"Let me find a charter in your voice,
To assist my simpleness."

8. **Music.** Sextet, "Hear our Prayer," . . . *Mascagni.*

Quintette Club and Bro. Joseph L. White.

"He the sweetest of all singers."

9. **Historical Address** . . Wor. Bro. Warren B. Ellis.

"Histories are as perfect as the Historian
is wise, and is gifted with an eye and a soul."

10. **Remarks by the Most Worshipful Grand Master.**

11. Singing of the Original Ode.

Written by Bro. C. H. Whittier.

"Once more I'll read the ode that I have writ."

Air, "America."

[The audience is requested to join in singing.]

Mt. Lebanon to thee,
Ancient in Masonry,
  Our song we raise.
Long may thy banners bright,
Lead on to life and light,
Protected by the might
  Of Him we praise.

We meet to celebrate,
And thus commemorate,
  Thy natal day.
For the past century,
To the Fraternity,
Love, Truth and Equity,
  Thou'st taught alway.

Oh, may thy Charity,
Through Peace and Unity,
  Always endure.
Then in the age to come,
From father down to son,
Thy fame, Mt. Lebanon,
  Will be secure.

12. Benediction . . Wor. Bro. Charles J. Miller, Chaplain.

The audience is requested to remain until the Officers and Invited Guests have retired, when all are expected to join in procession and proceed to the Banquet Hall.

Exercises in the Banquet Hall.

"This night I hold an old accustom'd feast,
Whereto I have invited many a guest,
Such as I love; and you among the store."

..Menu..

"They are as sick that surfeit with too much,
As they that starve with nothing."

Lobster a la Newburg. Radishes.

Stuffed Lamb Chops. Asparagus Points.

Chicken Croquettes and Peas.

Apricot Fritters Glace.

Potato Delmonico.

Sardine Salad.

Cold Tongue. Aspic Jelly.

Salted Almonds.

Assorted Cake.

Frozen Pudding. Harlequin Ice Cream. Biscuit Glace.

Illuminated Fancy Ices.

Crackers. Cheese.

Strawberries.

Coffee.

Bro. T. M. Carter and Orchestra.

Entertainment in Ionic Hall.

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF

BROTHERS WALTER B. TRIPP, E. W. PHILLIPS AND C. H. WHITTIER.

"Here we will sit and let the sounds of music
creep into our ears."

1. { *a.* MARCH. "The Fortune Teller," . . . . . *Herbert*
   { *b.* "A Dream," . . . . . *Bartlett*

EUTERPE CLUB.

2. "John Smith, U. S. A.," . . . . . *Eugene Field*

MR. GRILLEY.

3. TENOR SOLO, "My Dream," . . . . . *Tosti*

BRO. HERBERT O. JOHNSON.

4. Selection from "Carmen," . . . . . *Bizet*

EUTERPE CLUB.

5. "Green Grow the Rushes, Oh," . . . . . *Fenney*

MR. GRILLEY.

6. QUINTETTE, "Last Night," . . . . . *Kjerulf*

QUINTETTE CLUB.

7. Symphony in Z sharp major, . . . *Mendel-Be-Mo-Bach*

EUTERPE CLUB.

8. READING. Selected.

MR. GRILLEY.

9. SEXTET, "I'm a Pilgrim," . . . . . *Mensti*

QUINTETTE CLUB AND BRO. JOSEPH L. WHITE.

"Break we our watch up."

"Come knit hands, and beat the ground
In a light fantastic round."

Dancing in Gothic Hall.

"And the dancing has begun now,
And the dancers whirl round gaily,
In the waltz's giddy mazes,
And the ground beneath them trembles."

Bro. W. H. LaPOINTE, Floor Director.

AIDS:

Wor. Bro. HARRY D. DELANO.
Bro. ARTHUR E. BURR.
Bro. F. E. BUXTON.
Bro. J. T. PAUL.
Bro. C. W. SEARLES.
Bro. J. GRANVILLE SMITH.

Music: Bro. T. M. Carter and Orchestra.

"When you do dance, I wish you
A wave o' th' sea, that you might
Ever do nothing but that."

ORDER OF DANCES:

1. WALTZ.
2. QUADRILLE.
3. TWO-STEP.
4. SCHOTTISCHE.
5. PORTLAND FANCY.
6. WALTZ.
7. LANCIERS.
8. SCHOTTISCHE.
9. TWO-STEP.
10. GALOP.
11. TWO-STEP.
12. WALTZ.

"Farewell, and stand fast."

A ticket was provided for every member of the Lodge and his lady, and invitations were sent to many distinguished Masons of other Lodges.

The invited guests who accepted and were present were:

Most Wor. CHARLES T. GALLAGHER, Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts.

Right Wor. ALBERT A. FOLSOM, Deputy Grand Master.

Right Wor. SERENO D. NICKERSON, Grand Secretary.

Right Wor. WILLIAM WHITE, District Deputy Grand Master, First District.

Wor. WILLIAM B. LAWRENCE, Grand Marshal.

Bro. GEORGE W. CHESTER, Grand Tyler.

Right Wor. WILLIAM T. R. MARVIN, Past Grand Warden.

Right Wor. HENRY S. ROWE, Past Grand Warden.

Wor. JOHN S. FOWLER, Master Aberdour Lodge.

Wor. MOSES C. PLUMMER, Master Columbian Lodge.

Wor. SAMUEL HAUSER, Master Germania Lodge.

Wor. ALBION B. CROCKER, Master Joseph Warren Lodge.

Wor. JAMES F. COBURN, Master Joseph Webb Lodge.

Wor. CHARLES M. GREEN, Master Lodge of St. Andrew.

Wor. CHARLES LEWIS, Master Massachusetts Lodge.

Wor. CHARLES W. BASCOM, Master Revere Lodge.

Wor. ALBERT B. ROOT, Master St. John's Lodge.

Wor. EUGENE A. HOLTON, Past Master Joseph Warren Lodge.

Wor. SAMUEL W. CREECH, Past Master Massachusetts Lodge.

Wor. JOHN F. NEILL, Past Master Massachusetts Lodge.

M. E. ABBOTT L. ALDRICH, High Priest St. Andrew's R. A. Chapter.

M. E. CHARLES S. DAMRELL, High Priest St. Paul's R. A. Chapter.

Wor. FRANKLIN H. SPRAGUE, who was Master of Mt. Lebanon Lodge in 1857 and 1858, but dimitted in 1867 to form another Lodge, was also a guest of the Lodge.

THE CELEBRATION.

ON the evening appointed for the celebration, — which was that of the Regular Communication of the Lodge for the month of June, — the brethren and their ladies began to assemble early. As each brother entered he was presented with the Centennial Medal, already described.

By the courtesy of the Grand Officers and the various Masonic bodies occupying rooms in the Temple, the building was opened throughout to the visitors, during the entire evening, and the brilliantly lighted halls and Lodge-rooms, the armories of the Commanderies and the attractive appartments of the various Lodges, were inspected with interest and pleasure by the guests of the Lodge. Corinthian Hall, in which the literary portion of the programme was to be given, was handsomely decorated with flowers and palms for the occasion.

The Lodge was opened at 5 o'clock in Sodality Hall with the following organization:

Wor. Bro.	Fred. I. Clayton . .	*Worshipful Master.*
Bro.	Walter B. Tripp . .	*Senior Warden.*
Bro.	Edwin M. Steere . .	*Junior Warden.*
Bro.	Charles W. Parker .	*Treasurer.*
Wor. Bro.	Warren B. Ellis . .	*Secretary.*
Wor. Bro.	Charles J. Miller . .	*Chaplain.*
Wor. Bro.	Harry D. Delano . .	*Marshal.*
Bro.	C. W. Kidder	*Senior Deacon.*
Bro.	J. T. Paul	*Junior Deacon.*
Bro.	F. E. Buxton	*Senior Steward.*
Bro.	Arthur J. Estes . . .	*Junior Steward.*
Bro.	C. W. Searles . . .	*Inside Sentinel.*
Bro.	Howard M. Dow . . .	*Organist.*
Bro.	Seth T. Dame	*Tyler.*

While the guests and ladies were assembling, they were entertained by Bro. Howard M. Dow, Organist of Mt. Lebanon Lodge, with an organ recital. At 5.30, the Officers entered the Lodge Room — Corinthian Hall — and Wor. Master Fred. I. Clayton assumed the East.

The presence of the Most Wor. Grand Master was announced, and a Committee consisting of all the Past Masters of the Lodge present, with Wor. George D. Moore as Chairman, introduced to the Lodge

Most Wor. Charles T. Gallagher, *Grand Master.*
Right Wor. Albert A. Folsom, *Deputy Grand Master.*
Right Wor. Sereno D. Nickerson, *Grand Secretary.*
Wor. William B. Lawrence, *Grand Marshal.*

After a Musical selection by the Ladies' Quintette, Wor. Bro. Charles J. Miller, Chaplain, invoked the Divine blessing.

PRAYER BY THE CHAPLAIN.

Supreme Architect of the Universe, whose aid and guidance were invoked at the birth of this Lodge, One Hundred years ago, we bring to Thee our tribute of thanksgiving, praise and worship.

We thank Thee for those God-fearing and humanity-loving men, who were inspired to found this Lodge, and for all those who have passed through our portals, seeking light, and who have known, and exemplified, in their lives, the beauties of Free Masonry. We thank Thee that for one hundred years, the message of Mt. Lebanon Lodge to the world has been Peace and Good Will, Faith, Hope and Charity. These things, in which we rejoice, we ascribe to Thee, the Supreme Intelligence that pervades all nature, the Eternal Source of light and love, of truth and wisdom; for "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it."

With joy and pride in this happy and prosperous past, we look forward hopefully, and ask Divine assistance in the years to come. Let it be so ordered that when we, who rejoice here to-night, shall cease from earthly labors, and laying down the implements of our Craft, shall pass, through Thy mercy, to eternal refresh-

ment and rest, good men and true will take up the Square, Level and Plumb, and carry forward the work on our beautiful spiritual temple, generation after generation. And when, a hundred years later, they shall rejoice in the work of their hands, may they look back on a century of peace and harmony, of multiplied deeds of charity, of memories of burdens lightened and sorrowing hearts made glad by the tender ministrations of Masonic brotherly love. May the glory of this latter house be greater than the former, and may they, recognizing the hand of God in their prosperity exclaim as we do, "Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy Name give glory."

Let us feel the benediction of Thy presence here to-night in this hour of fraternal communion, strengthening the ties that bind us in mystic fraternity, quickening our gratitude to Thee, inspiring in us new love for our ancient Order, and new resolutions to live nearer to the ideals we have established, and helping us to proclaim far and wide, the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. Amen.

THE MASTER'S WELCOME.

The Wor. Master then spoke the following words of welcome:

To those assembled here to-night, Mt. Lebanon Lodge extends a hearty greeting.

We are here to congratulate each other that our good mother, the Lodge, has, in health and vigor, reached her one hundredth anniversary. She has been the Masonic mother of many, and those of us still living under the old roof-tree are proud of the good lessons that have been taught us. If we have had strength of character and controlling of circumstances sufficient to guide us aright, and have succeeded in following our good mother's advice, then indeed, are we worthy of our title. Those who have erred and repented, are still our brothers if they are sincere in their decision to be true and faithful among us. Our mother teaches us how to live, and tells us why we should inculcate brotherly love, relief, truth, prudence and justice; she directs us to stretch forth a hand to assist and save a falling brother and to be ever ready with timely warning that he may ward off approaching danger. These are the grandest of all great principles, and may the sons of Mt. Lebanon Lodge cherish and practice them, and show to the world that we are all we profess.

Free Masonry was conceived in the early days of civilization, so remote that the date is lost in the dimness of antiquity. It was organized for the instruction and protection of the workmen of that period. The Order has been notable for its ever-increasing importance in the changing civilization of the succeeding centuries, and exercises a potent influence on that of our time. Its founders builded far better than they

knew. They erected a structure to serve the material needs of the operative brethren of their time, but they adorned it so richly with symbolism and with teachings so noble and pure, that it has withstood the lapse of time, the attack of ignorance, prejudice and superstition, and survived by generations the conditions which called it into existence. There is inspiration and hope for the future of the Order in the study of its past, and food for proud reflection in the thought that, amid all the changes of social life and custom, amid the rise and fall of empires, dynasties, races and nations, amid the birth, growth and decay of religious sects and creeds, amid all the changes of thought and growth of knowledge, Free Masonry remains the one human institution without fundamental change. The reason is not far to seek. From its inception, the Order has been the exponent of truths as old as humanity itself, and to last until the wide firmament is rolled up like a scroll; so simple that all men can understand them and which all must accept and reverence: — Truth, Justice, Charity, meaning in a broad sense, manhood, honesty, and love for one's fellow-man.

These three broad stones were builded securely into its very foundation, and on them men of every country, sect and opinion, of every age and every time, and of almost every degree of education and intelligence, have found a place. When men no longer needed the protection of the Order to gain a livelihood, its purposes

underwent a modification; but the great underlying principles remain the same, appealing to the best there is in every Mason and binding him steadfastly in his affections to our Order.

From generation to generation Masons have given of their time, thought, influence and money, in loving and faithful services, realizing in return, rewards differing with their varying needs and tastes.

The Order stands now, as it has from time immemorial, as a wise and generous mother, offering to her children from an abundant store, gifts whose value is beyond estimate, and whose beauty grows upon us day by day.

May we open our hearts to the Great Giver of all good, and thank Him for the many blessings and comforts we enjoy. May our Lodge live and be prosperous, centuries to come, and may our noble Order live forevermore.

To our mother, Mt. Lebanon Lodge,
We would tender our thanks and our praise
For the many good lessons she's taught,
And the work that has honored her days.

The one-hundred year mark reached to-day
Finds her healthy and strong in our cause;
With hopes from her sons that she may
Live a century more without pause.

May her sons, ever faithful and true
To the lessons so earnestly taught,
Prove an honor in all that they do,
And show that their task is well wrought.

Live on, noble Order most true:
May your work in the future, like past,
Inspire all our brethren to do
Noble deeds, — they are summed up at last.

CONGRATULATIONS.

The following communication was then read by the Secretary:

FROM THE EAST OF COLUMBIAN LODGE,
A. F. AND A. M., BOSTON.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Members of Mt. Lebanon Lodge, A. F. and A. M.

GREETING:

Brethren: At the Regular Quarterly Communication of the Members of Columbian Lodge, held on Thursday Evening, June 6, 1901, the following Resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote, and the Secretary was directed to forward the same to Mt. Lebanon Lodge on the occasion of its approaching Centennial.

Columbian Lodge presents her congratulations to her next youngest Sister in the First Masonic District, Mt. Lebanon Lodge, on the happy completion of a Century of Masonic life, marked by a continued FREEDOM from trials and distress: by an unfailing FERVENCY in every brotherly duty: and by an undying ZEAL in the faithful discharge of those Masonic obligations, which for three generations have constantly distinguished her: and expresses the hope that as the goodly cedar trees of Mt. Lebanon were skillfully carved by ancient master-builders into the structure of King

Solomon's Temple, so may the Lodge which perpetuates their memory, ever be as distinguished an ornament to our Order as its prototypes were to the Sanctuary on Mt. Zion; as long lived as her namesake: as unfading as their foliage: and as fragrant in gracious memories of good deeds as the wall of the Temple into which they were wrought.

By Order of

MOSES C. PLUMMER,
Wor. Master.

Attest:

W. T. R. MARVIN,
Secretary.

READING OF THE CHARTER.

The Charter of the Lodge was then read by Right Wor. Bro. Charles E. Phipps.

CHARTER.

To all the FRATERNITY to whom

THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME.

THE MOST WORSHIPFUL GRAND LODGE of the moſt Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Maſons, of the Commonwealth of Maſſachuſetts, ſends Greeting:

WHEREAS, a PETITION has been preſented to us by HENRY FOWLE, WILLIAM BENTLEY, THOMAS SULLIVAN, SAMUEL BILLINGS, FRANCIS HAUTHWAT, AMASA THAYER,

JOHN BARBER, JOSEPH HUDSON, WILLIAM QUINER, JOSEPH DORR, JOHN INGALS, JOHN JACKSON, ELISHA NORCROSS, and GAMALIEL SMALL, all Ancient, Free and Accepted MASONS, praying that they, with all others who ſhall hereafter join them, may be Erected and Conſtituted into a regular LODGE of Ancient, Free and Accepted MASONS, which Petition appearing to us as tending to the advancement of Maſonry, and the good of the CRAFT:

KNOW YE, therefore, That WE, the GRAND LODGE aforeſaid, repoſing ſpecial Truſt and Confidence in the Prudence and Fidelity of our Brethren above named, have Conſtituted and Appointed, and by theſe Preſents do Conſtitute and Appoint them, the ſaid BRETHREN, a regular LODGE of Ancient, Free and Accepted MASONS, under the Title and Deſignation of

Mt. Lebanon Lodge:

Hereby giving and granting unto them, and their ſucceſſors, full power and authority to convene MASONS within the Town of Boſton, in the County of Suffolk, and Commonwealth aforeſaid: to receive and enter *Apprentices*, paſs *Fellow Crafts*, and raiſe *Maſter Maſons*, upon the payment of ſuch Compenſation for the ſame as may be determined by the GRAND LODGE; alſo, to make choice Annually, of a *Maſter*, *Wardens*, and other *Office Bearers;* to receive and collect *Funds*, for the relief of Poor and diſtreſſed *Brethren*, their *Widows* or *Orphans;* and, in general, to tranſact all Matters relating to Maſonry, which to them may appear to be for the Good of the CRAFT, according to the Ancient Uſages and Cuſtoms of MASONS.

And we do hereby require the ſaid Conſtituted Brethren, to attend the GRAND LODGE at its *Quarterly* and other *Communications*, by their *Maſter* and *Wardens*, or by *Proxy*, regularly appointed. Alſo, to keep a fair and correct RECORD of all their Proceedings, and to lay the ſame before the GRAND LODGE, when required.

And we do enjoin upon our Brethren of the ſaid LODGE, that they be punctual in the Annual Payment of ſuch ſums as may be aſſeſſed for the Support of the GRAND LODGE; that they behave themſelves reſpectfully and obediently to their Superiors in Office; and in all other Reſpects conduct themſelves as good MASONS.

And we do hereby declare the *Precedence* of the ſaid LODGE, in the GRAND LODGE and elſewhere, to commence from the Eighth day of June, *A. D.*, 1801, *A. L.* 5801.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, WE, the GRAND MASTER and GRAND WARDENS, by virtue of the Power and Authority to us committed, have hereunto ſet our hands, and cauſed the SEAL of our GRAND LODGE to be affixed, at Boſton, this Eighth day of June, *Anno Domini*, One Thouſand Eight Hundred and One, *Anno Lucis*, Five Thouſand Eight Hundred and One.

By Order of the Grand Lodge,



SAMUEL DUNN, *Grand Maſter.*
JOSEPH LAUGHTON, *Deputy Grand Maſter.*
JOHN BOYLE, *Senior Grand Warden.*
ISAAC HURD, *Junior Grand Warden.*

Attest:

JOHN PROCTOR, *Grand Secretary.*

OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER.
Boston, Oct. 20th, 1865.

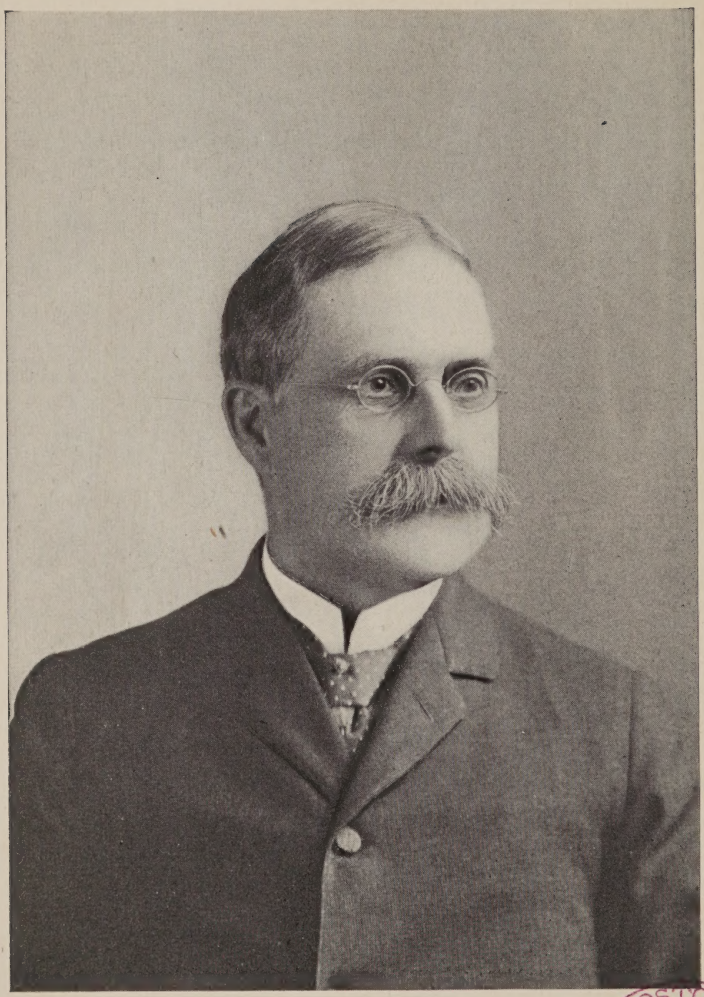
The within Copy is granted to MT. LEBANON LODGE in place of its original Charter, which was destroyed by fire, at the burning of Freemason's Hall, in Boston, on the 6th of April, 1864.

WILLIAM PARKMAN, *Grand Master.*

Attest:

CHARLES W. MOORE, *Grand Secretary.*

A musical selection by the Quintette Club and Bro. Joseph L. White followed the reading, after which Wor. Bro. Warren B. Ellis, Secretary of the Lodge, delivered the Historical Address.



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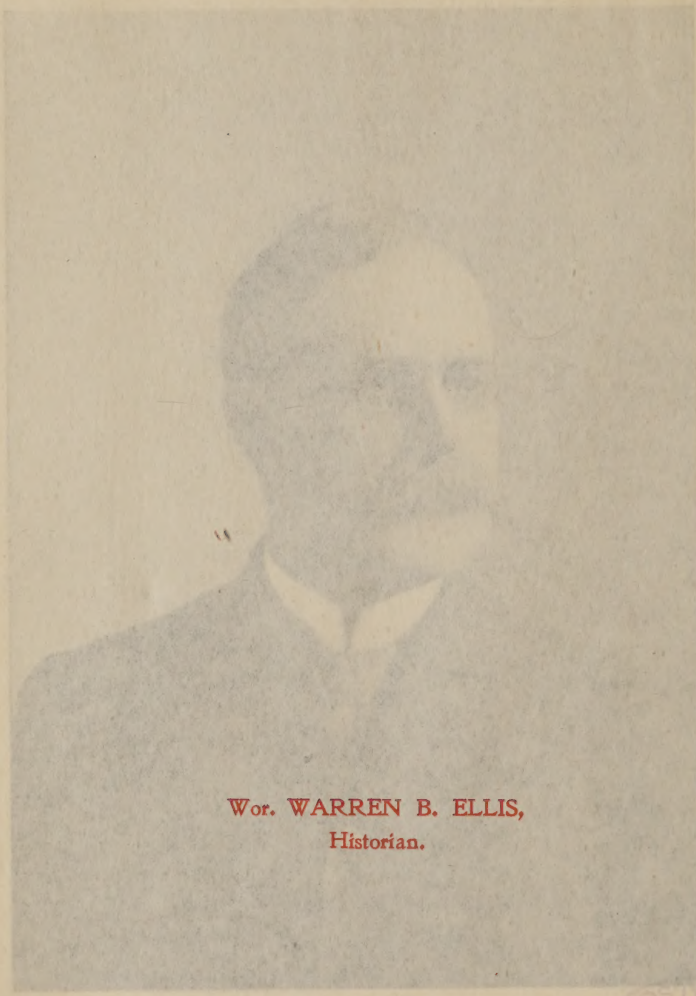

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and to rejoice with grateful hearts that this good Lodge stands at the end of a completed century, like the cedar on the Mount from which she is named, "firm and stable," an honor to her founders and an assurance of the lasting value of the principles of Freemasonry.

To exist for an hundred years is an attainment of considerable importance. Few individuals can hope for such distinction, nor in our land are organized associations numerous that have withstood the conflicting exactions of so long a period. We cannot, therefore, let the day pass without acknowledging its importance or celebrating its advent.

The first impulse that moves our thought at this time is a desire to know something of the men who were our founders. Unfortunately these facts are most difficult to obtain. The founders of this enterprise were modest men and said but little of themselves or of their work. It is probable their doings seemed to them of too little importance for extended remark even when recorded at all. To us, living at the end of the century, the view is different; every incident in their lives, every event of their work, is clothed with an interest that will grow in importance as long as the Lodge shall last.

We do not know what special influence led to the founding of the Lodge; we know, however, that there was a good deal of interest in Freemasonry at the

beginning of the last century, and that so many charters for new Lodges were asked for, that a suspicion was awakened in the Grand Lodge that the fraternity was growing too rapidly for its permanent welfare; and a committee was appointed by that body to consider "the expediency of erecting more Lodges."

The committee reported at the Quarterly Communication, March 11, 1799, that it "is fully their opinion that there be no more charters granted for new Lodges for two years from this date, which report was unanimously adopted."

If any step leading to the organization of our Lodge had been taken when the prohibitory measure of the Grand Lodge was adopted, we do not know of it. At the end of the two-year limit, however, we find no delay on the part of our founders, for at the first Communication of the Grand Lodge after that date, which was held at Concert Hall, March 9, 1801, the records say: "A petition was received from Henry Fowle and others praying for a charter for a Lodge to be holden in the Town of Boston, with the recommendations accompanying the same, was read and committed."

At the next Communication, held June 8, 1801, Charters for eight Lodges were granted, that of Mt. Lebanon being named first. The Grand Lodge record of March 9, 1801, is the first reference to our Lodge which has been found, and marks its official introduction to the fraternity.

It would be a pleasure to us if we could now, for a moment, lift the veil of the past and look upon the brethren who organized this Lodge. We would join in their councils and learn the reason for their undertaking, and in particular what they expected to find in this association that was not offered by those already in the field. However gratifying such an experience might prove, it is beyond our power. No magician's art can mirror the past so that it shall be a reality of the present; only in what they accomplished can we read the characters of our founders. With the exception of Henry Fowle and Samuel Billings, none of them appear to have had previous experience in Masonic affairs, but the success of the enterprise is an assurance that all were earnest workers in its support.

There are fourteen names borne on the Charter of the Lodge, as follows: — Henry Fowle, William Bentley, Thomas Sullivan, Samuel Billings, Francis Hauthwat, Amasa Thayer, John Barber, Joseph Hudson, William Quiner, Joseph Dorr, John Ingals, John Jackson, Elisha Norcross, and Gamaliel Small.

Henry Fowle, who is first named, was the first Master of the Lodge. He was for many years one of the most prominent workers in the Masonic rite in this State. His Masonic knowledge and influence undoubtedly contributed more to the immediate success of the Lodge than that of any other brother engaged in the enterprise.

He was born in Medford, Mass., in 1766. He came to Boston at the age of fourteen and was apprenticed to a pump and block maker, which occupation he followed in after life. He was said to have been better educated than most mechanics, and was especially fluent in the use of the French language. The embargo and subsequent war with Great Britain proved disastrous to him and nearly ruined his business. Other misfortunes which came with his declining years gave to his life an unusual share of anxiety and trouble, but through his misfortunes he retained the respect and affection of his associates.

His life was closely connected with the work of Freemasonry in all its departments; in all his ability was recognized and his advice welcomed. Charles W. Moore said of him: "Probably no Brother of his time was better informed than he in all the earlier formulas of our institution, nor did any exert a wider influence over its practical operations, or labor more ardently and faithfully for its best interests and solid prosperity."

He was initiated in the Lodge of St. Andrew, April 10, 1793, at Green Dragon Tavern. He was admitted to St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter and held several important offices in that body, being High Priest in 1804–07 and again in 1813, '14. He held important positions in the Grand and General Grand Chapters, and was prominent in all the higher orders of the Masonic institution.

He was Master of this Lodge in 1801, '02, '03, and '05. He resigned his membership in the latter part of 1805 and returned to the Lodge of St. Andrew, in which he served as Master from 1810 to 1817. He was twice married and the father of a large family. He died in Boston, in 1857, at the age of seventy-one.

The second name on the Charter is that of WILLIAM BENTLEY, who was the first Senior Warden, serving in 1801, '02, and '03, and the second Master, holding that office in 1804 and 1806.

Many facts regarding the life of Brother Bentley have been preserved by one who was interested in his career as a minister of the gospel. We quote liberally from this account, as it presents a vivid picture of the life and character of our early brother.

William Bentley was the son of Thomas and Abigail Bentley, and was born in Newport, R. I., March 3, 1775. When he was two years old the English took Newport by storm, and in firing on the town destroyed his father's house and tannery. His father sought safety for his family by flight, and while thus doing a four-pound shot passed between himself and wife and struck the ground. The shot was secured as a souvenir of the event, and the family proceeded to Dighton, Mass., where a grandmother of William lived. Within a few days his parents removed to Providence, R. I., where his father suddenly died, leaving his family in a destitute condition.

At the age of nine William was sent to his grandmother, with whom he lived until he was nearly fourteen years old, when he came to Boston to learn the trade of baker. During the period of his childhood he had but little benefit of school or church, but at the age of sixteen he became deeply interested in religion and united with the Baptist church. On attaining his "freedom" he started business for himself and was fairly successful, employing several journeymen and apprentices. About one year after he started his business he married Polly Barber, a sister of John Barber, one of our charter members and the third Master of the Lodge. He lived happily with this wife until her death in 1851. He was later married again to a Mrs. Fitch, of Connecticut.

When Brother Bentley set up his bakery there is no doubt that he expected to follow the business for life. A simple incident changed his whole career. We have said he was a church member at sixteen, but as he became older and more interested in business he began to neglect his church and its duties. His interest was rekindled by the preaching of a visiting revivalist, which so affected him that in a short time he forsook his business and gave his whole time to the work of the church. He began to preach, meeting with great success in the towns around Boston. In 1807 he was ordained as a regular minister and preached at Salem, but his first settlement was at Tiverton, R. I.

He preached at New Bedford, and was the founder of the Baptist church at that place. He was also settled in Worcester, where he organized a church and built a church edifice. From Worcester he removed in 1815 to Wethersfield, Conn., where he remained six years, his labors resulting in the erection of a meeting house. From this time he was not regularly settled, but preached all over the State, and "in his peculiar, cheerful, effectual way, accomplished much good. During his ministry he baptized over seven hundred converts. He was possessed of considerable mental energy, and especially great intensity of feeling, and vividness of imagination. His language was often awkward, but the moment his mind began to glow, it became simple and touching and often quite eloquent. At times he was quaint, almost ludicrous; strange expressions of feeling passing rapidly over his singularly elastic face, or peering out of his twinkling eyes, producing a titter in the congregation, which would be instantly checked or turned into tears by some sudden burst of enthusiasm or stroke of tenderness."

The beginning of Brother Bentley's career as a preacher was at the time he was Master of the Lodge; his installation into that vocation occurred in the year of his retirement from office. We do not know where he received the degrees of Masonry, but we do know that he was a firm believer in the usefulness of the Lodge, and took an active part in its support. He

was constant in attendance at the meetings, being absent but once from the time of its organization until he was Master. His services were greatly appreciated by the brethren, and on his retirement from office it was

"*Voted:* That the thanks of this Lodge be given to our R. W. Bro. Bentley for his pre-eminent services while in the Chair, dispensing light and knowledge, and in contributing so largely his Masonic talents to raise the Lodge to the respectable rank it enjoys."

Brother Bentley was a member of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter, having been admitted to that body June 9, 1800. His death occurred December 24, 1855.

THOMAS SULLIVAN is next named on the Charter. He was Junior Warden in 1801, '02. We know very little of this brother. The records show that in 1803 he was away "from home, deprived of health and depressed by misfortune." The records also show that he was highly esteemed by his brethren, who generously voted to send him $50. He was made an Honorary member in 1803. The Directory of that time gives his occupation as cordwainer, at 58 State street.

The fourth name is that of SAMUEL BILLINGS. This brother was born in Canton, Mass., in 1772. He came to Boston in early life and established himself as a merchant, occupying for many years a store on Long Wharf. He was highly respected for his integrity, uprightness and moral worth. He filled several offices

of trust and responsibility in the town. He was one of the Selectmen under the town government, and a member of the first Board of Aldermen when the town became a city. He was also Senator from Boston in the State Legislature, and for many years a director in the State Bank. He held no office in the Lodge, but his name gave dignity and inspired confidence in its success. He was a member and officer of St. Andrew's Chapter and the Grand Chapter, a Charter member of what is now Boston Commandery, in which he held several offices, being Generalissimo in 1806. After a long and useful life he died at his residence in Boston on the 18th of September, 1847.

The next name is that of FRANCIS HAUTHWAT. We are unable to learn much about this brother. He held no office in the Lodge, and it does not appear that he took any part in its business. He was a member of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter. In the Directory he is called "captain," and his residence given as 3 West street.

AMASA THAYER is the sixth name on the Charter. According to the Directory he was a wharfinger, in Quaker lane, now Congress street. He held no office, but was quite regular in his attendance at the meetings. He was a member of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter from 1803 to 1814.

JOHN BARBER, who is the seventh on the list, was the first Secretary of our Lodge, serving in that cap-

acity in 1801 and 1802. He was Junior Warden in 1803 and Senior Warden in 1804. There was some trouble in the Lodge in the latter part of 1805, which led to the resignation of all the officers, and was the means of the election of Brother Barber again to the office of Senior Warden for the balance of that year and for the year following. He was Master of the Lodge in 1807. He was admitted to St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter in 1802. We learn from the Directory that he was a tailor, and located on Prince street. He died December 7, 1818.

Joseph Hudson was Senior Warden in 1801. He withdrew from membership November 5, 1805. According to the Directory he was a sail-maker on Purchase street.

The ninth name is that of William Quiner. He was a baker on Prince street. The Selectmen's Minutes of July 5, 1797, have a record of his permit "to erect an oven on his land for the purpose of baking." He was Senior Deacon of the Lodge from its organization until November 24, 1802; then Junior Warden for the year following. He was Treasurer in 1804, but resigned his membership August 8, 1805. He was a member of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter, in which he resigned his membership in October, 1804.

Joseph Dorr was a merchant at 27 State street. He was Junior Deacon in 1801 and 1802. He was the

son of Ebenezer and Abigail Dorr, and was born December 3, 1767.

JOHN INGALLS, the eleventh on the list, is described in the Directory as a mariner, and was located on Salem street.

Of JOHN JACKSON, the next on the list, we know only that he was a member of Massachusetts Lodge in February, 1781. He forfeited his membership in our Lodge, probably by non-attendance, in 1804.

ELISHA NORCROSS, the thirteenth named, was from the Lodge of St. Andrew. He served our Lodge as Steward in 1801, '02, as Senior Deacon in 1803, Junior Warden in 1804. He withdrew from the Lodge April 2, 1805, receiving at that time the "thanks of the Lodge for his services and attention in the discharge of several important offices." He was readmitted to membership January 7, 1806, and was immediately elected Secretary, serving in that capacity until January, 1811. He removed to New York in 1817, at which time he was made an Honorary member of the Lodge. The Directory gives his business as a hairdresser, on Ship street.

GAMALIEL SMALL, who is the fourteenth and last on the Charter, was the first Treasurer of the Lodge. He was present at the first seven meetings, but never afterwards. It is probable that Brother Small died at about that time, for at the meeting of October 19, a committee was appointed to "wait on the Lady of Bro. Gamaliel



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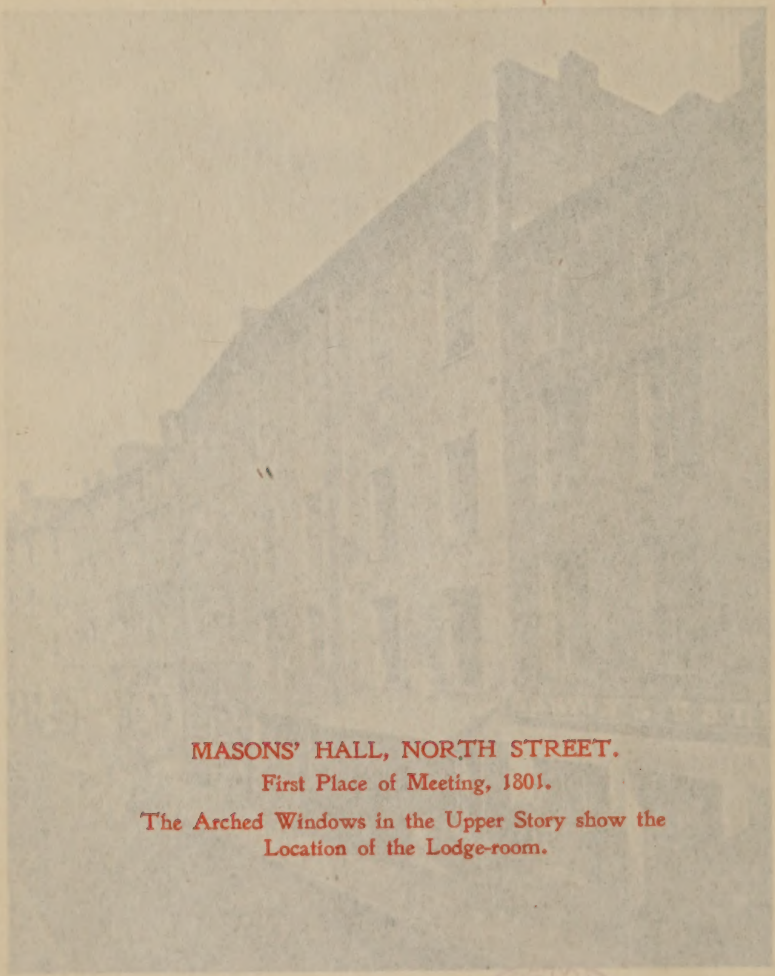
First Place of Meeting, 1801.

The Arched Windows in the Upper Story show the Location of the Lodge-room.



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Small and request the Papers and other things belonging to this Lodge." The Directory gives the name of "Captain Gamaliel Small," with residence on Prince street. This brother received the degrees in Columbian Lodge, October, 1797, that Lodge having voted that "he be made immediately, being bound to sea."

The first meeting of Mt. Lebanon Lodge, of which we have a record, was held Tuesday, July 7, 1801, in Masons' Hall on Ann, now North street. The building in which this hall was situated was demolished in the early part of 1895, but is well remembered by all familiar with that section of our city. An excellent description of the building with the history of its occupation has been preserved by R. W. Brother Marvin in his historical address delivered at the Centennial of Columbian Lodge. At our first meeting all of the officers, except the Master and Wardens, were elected; the latter were probably named in the Dispensation, although we have no information on the subject. The By-laws are mentioned in the record of this meeting, from which we may conclude there had been some earlier meeting of which we have no record. At the first meeting the officers were installed by the Master, after which he addressed the members on the subject of Masonry.

Meetings were at first held with great frequency, there being fourteen previous to November 23, on which date the Lodge was consecrated and its officers installed

by the Most Worshipful Grand Master. We have only the most meagre description of this event in our records. Beside the date, place, and names of officers, the entire record is contained in six lines, as follows: "The Lodge then opened on the first degree of Masonry, a prayer at opening by the Right Worshipful Master, and the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was Introduced when this Lodge was Installed according to Ancient form. The Lodge with the Grand Lodge retired and Partook of A Supper at the Expense of this Lodge."

The Secretary at that time was quite unconscious of the value which the brethren of a century later would place upon a complete record of the event. The *Columbian Centinel*, published two days after, gives a much more interesting account of the ceremony; but we are indebted to the records of the Grand Lodge for a complete description of the proceedings of this interesting occasion, as follows:

"The ceremonies began by an Anthem from a select choir of Vocal and instrumental musicians. Next succeeded a solemn Address to the Supreme Architect, by the Reverend Bro. Harris, Gd. Chaplain. The M. W. S. Dunn was then pleased to examine the Records & Laws of Mt. Lebanon Lodge, which were approved and sanctioned by him. The Grand Master then entered on the solemn Duty of Consecrating Mount Lebanon Lodge & Installing its Officers; and with an appropriate charge installed the Master of the Lodge, and

each Officer was also properly invested with the several Badges of their Office agreeably to Ancient usage. The Grand Secretary was directed and proclaimed as follows, viz: This Lodge regularly Constituted with Ample Powers, by the name of Mount Lebanon Lodge, under the Authority and Government of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts. An excellent address was delivered by the Most Wf. Josiah Bartlett, Past Gd. Master, on the principles & Duties of Free Masonry, which was received by the Brethren with pleasure and applause. Solemn Music was then performed and after a Benediction by the Grand Chaplain, the ceremony of the evening was closed. The two Lodges then moved in Procession, arranged Masonically by the R. W. G. Marshal [Benj. Russell], to Marean Hall* where a Table, pleantifully covered with the Bounties of Providence, entertained about one hundred Brethren and several of the Reverend Clergy not of the Fraternity. A number of Toasts appropriate to the occasion were given by the M. Wl. S. Dunn through the G. Marshal. The Grand Lodge retired to another apartment and was closed in ample form."

* William Marean was a tavern keeper on Market Square in 1796, and on Wing's Lane in 1800; the date of his death has not been found, but a "Widow Sarah Marean," presumably his relict, kept a tavern on Elm Street, 1803–7. "Marean Hall" was doubtless an apartment, perhaps the dining-room, in the tavern, which was located near the place of meeting, but whether this was the one on Wing's Lane, or that on Elm Street conducted by the widow, we are unable to determine, no Directory for 1[illegible] having been printed.

Some account of the subjects which occupied the attention of the brethren in the early days will help us to form an idea of their character and purposes. These descriptions must necessarily be brief and incomplete to come within the limits of this address. As the events of the first quarter of the century were most potent in shaping the character of the Lodge, we shall devote most of our time to that period.

Our Lodge started on its career with the most encouraging prospects; although its membership was small, it was deeply interested and constant in attendance at the frequent meetings. Candidates for the degrees were constantly knocking at the door, seventeen being made Master Masons before the end of the first year; only three of them, however, were admitted to membership, that privilege being restricted to forty brethren. This limit was continued until 1813, when it was raised to sixty. The meetings were conducted in a grave and dignified manner, and were usually opened with prayer by the Worshipful Master, who was then and for several years afterwards called Right Worshipful.

At the beginning it was the custom to collect a fee from visitors; the amount of the collection was first reported October 6, 1801, it being six dollars. The Secretary does not mention the disposition of the money. Later records, as well as other information on this subject, tell us that it was first used in pro-

viding supplies for their social entertainment, for the early brethren did not consider their dignity as Masons or their reputation as good citizens impaired by moderate indulgence in the cup that cheers, when gathered around the social board. At this meeting we also find the first record of the charity of the Lodge, when it was voted "that the Hatt go Round to collect something for [a brother's] relief, when six dollars and 37 cents were collected."

At this time a brother who had only been advanced to the degree of Fellow Craft could be proposed for membership, so as to avoid loss of time after receiving the Master Mason's degree.

November 20, 1801, the thanks of the Lodge were voted to Brother Joseph Jones for his handsome present of black and white balls. This fact is mentioned, not only because it is the record of the first gift to the Lodge, but also for the reason that there is no record of the admission of this brother to membership. The same is true of John D. Dyer and Richard S. Holden, both of whom, although not Charter members, were undoubtedly members from the beginning of the Lodge.

The representatives of our Lodge were granted full power to act in the Grand Lodge as they might think best; at the same time, the brethren were most loyal to the interests of the Grand Lodge, as is strikingly illustrated by the record of June 1, 1802. It appears that the Grand Lodge had adopted regulations that

were not altogether satisfactory to our Lodge. Referring to this, the records say: "We as a Lodge have promised to support and maintain the Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge; your Committee therefore would recommend that Said Regulations be incorporated into our code of By-Laws and read with them, agreeably to the recommendation of the parent Lodge."

At the annual meeting, January 11, 1803, Robert Lash was chosen Secretary. He was admirably qualified for the position, and his records are models of excellence both in composition and execution. This brother was one of the first initiates of our Lodge. He early took an interest in its affairs, and later was one of the best known and most influential Masons in this vicinity. He was one of the strong men whose work and influence have added lustre to the reputation of our institution. His upright life and sterling moral character contributed largely to the dignity and good name of Freemasonry in the days of anti-Masonic excitement. Even the enemies of our rite were forced to respect this brother, and it was the personal influence of men of his character that disproved the malignant falsehoods and finally won for our Order the respect of the best part of our community.

Brother Lash was Master of the Lodge in 1812 and 1813, and was active in many other departments of our institution; one of the Lodges of this State bears his honored name. His death occurred October 7, 1863.

In 1803 a letter was received from the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island, "requesting our brotherly aid by purchasing tickets in a Lottery for the purpose of discharging a Debt on Masonic Hall in Newport." The letter was referred to the Standing Committee for consideration, but we find no report of their conclusions. At this time the By-laws were subjects of frequent discussion and revision. In December, 1806, they were presented in a satisfactory form, and the Secretary directed to make a "fair copy" for the signatures of the members. This is the oldest original copy of the By-laws that is now in the possession of the Lodge. The *Freemason's Monitor* and one dozen of aprons were purchased at about this time, indicating a desire of the brethren to become acquainted with the landmarks of the Order, and to be decently clothed at the meetings.

September 16, 1803, the Lodge voted to meet every Tuesday evening, to become more perfectly acquainted with the lectures; also that the "thanks of this Lodge be given to our Rt. Worshipful Bro. Gleason for his unremitted assiduity in administring to us instruction in the several Lectures." Benjamin Gleason, mentioned in this record, was the first Grand Lecturer of the Grand Lodge, being appointed to that position by Grand Master Thomas, September 10, 1805. He was admitted a member of our Lodge June 2, 1807, and was Master in 1811. He was a native of Boston, born in 1777, and

graduated at Brown University in 1802. He originated a system of teaching astronomy and geography, which was at one time quite popular. He took a great interest in Freemasonry, and did a good deal of work in its behalf. He died in Concord, Mass., in September, 1847.

There are many records which show the interest of the brethren in the work and lectures of the degrees, and their desire to become perfect in their practice. None took more interest in this subject than the Master, Wor. Bro. Fowle, who was one of the promoters if not the author of important changes introduced in the work at the time he was Master. Referring to this subject at a later date, he said: "I had long witnessed the improprieties and errors that had crept into the work, lectures and government of the lodges, and could I find a few zealous and active Masons who would assist me without fear of being denounced as innovators or disorganizers, I thought I could effect reforms which would be beneficial to the craft; and I feel proud to say that the reform we effected in the work and lectures met the approbation of the Grand Lodge, and has been adopted almost universally, not only here, but in all the States."

The regularity with which the officers of the Lodge attended the meetings in its first years is remarkable, and an evidence of their deep interest in their work. Wor. Bro. Fowle was present at forty-seven consecutive meetings previous to July 15, 1803, when he was absent

for the first time. The By-laws required the regular attendance of the members under penalty of forfeiture of membership, and the records show that this provision was not a dead letter.

In 1804 it was again voted to procure aprons for the Lodge. This action was probably occasioned by the growth of membership.

Our relations with the other Lodges of the town were from the first very cordial, and committees were frequently appointed to visit them for the purpose of strengthening the bonds of good-fellowship. The records of the Lodge of St. Andrew disclose the following interesting incident: —

"A delegation from Mt. Lebanon Lodge and in the name of that respected body, formally visited St. Andrew's, and in a very delicately courteous manner expressed a desire for mutual intercourse between the brethren. The members of St. Andrew's heartily embraced the delegation, and instantly appointed five of their prominent associates to return the visit."

This occurred in April, 1804: at that time the Lodge of St. Andrew was not under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of this State. She was to a considerable degree isolated, and her members without fraternal relations with the other Lodges. It is not probable that they were debarred from visiting the other Lodges, as had been their experience for a considerable period some years before — but they were sufficiently alone to appre-

ciate this attention, and the visit from our Lodge was most welcome, as their action shows.

Another incident of fraternal intercourse is mentioned in our record of October 4th, the same year, when "On motion of R. W. Bro. Fowle a committee was appointed to visit St. John's Lodge, and in return for their fraternal and polite communication on Tuesday last (expressed by a respectable Committee), to assure them of the high sense this Lodge entertaines of the value of a reciprocal attachment, and to propose that at ½ past 9 o'clock they should mutually drink to this sentiment, Peace Unity & Plenty."

The first official visit of a District Deputy Grand Master mentioned in our records occurred November 1, 1803. This office was created by the Grand Lodge December 15, 1801. It is quite probable that a visit may have been made to our Lodge by this officer in 1802, but the fact does not appear in our records.

November 6, 1804, a committee was appointed to visit Columbian Lodge, who performed this duty December 6, as appears by their records; in January following this committee was instructed to visit all the Lodges in the First Masonic District "as often as it might be convenient, during the term of one year." This action was probably designed to observe the work of the other Lodges, in order to preserve a uniformity.

June 18, 1805, the Lodge received from Brother John Touton an elegant bowl which he had purchased

in China. He was accorded a vote of thanks. This brother's name is not found among those of our members, and there is nothing in the records to show the reason for this attention.

As far as the records inform us, the affairs of the Lodge were prosperous, and its members dwelt in perfect harmony until the latter part of 1805, when an event occurred that came near ending its history. It appears that a member was accused of grossly slandering the officers. A special meeting was called to consider the subject. One member "took a solemn oath" that he heard the brother make the remark of which he was accused, and two others stated they had heard him make a similar remark on another occasion. The accused brother "solemnly denied the assertion." A vote was then taken, and it was decided by a majority of one that the charge was not sustained. This did not settle the trouble, for at the next meeting the brother who had been accused of slander resigned his membership; then followed the resignation of every officer of the Lodge and two other members. It was undoubtedly the opinion of the resigning officers that their action would close the Lodge, for an estimate of the assets and liabilities of the Lodge is given, with the opinion that all demands could be met.

No doubt the brethren who remained were greatly discouraged by this event, but they were not without hope of sustaining the organization, and only three days

later, we find them assembled, when they "Agreed to form into a Society, & Bro. Willm. Bentley was chosen Moderator & John Barber Secretary, for the purpose of choosing officers that the Lodge be reorganized." William Bentley was elected Master, and John Barber Secretary, both of whom had before served the Lodge in the same offices.

At the annual meeting in 1805, all of the officers below the Senior Deacon were nominated by the Master but elected by the Lodge. They were installed at the following meeting, with considerable ceremony, in the presence of several distinguished brethren, including the District Deputy Grand Master, two clergymen, "and many other respectable brethren." An Ode was sung, and Right Wor. Bro. Henry Fowle delivered "An address expressive of the happy tendency and benign effects of this ancient & honorable institution."

From this time the Lodge again entered on a prosperous career, winning the good opinion of the Grand Master, as shown by the record of his visit to the Lodge in the following March, when he instructed the Secretary to enter his opinion upon the records.

Our Lodge, like all Masonic bodies, was very generous to the clergy, who were usually admitted to its privileges without payment of initiation fees or dues. In 1807 further courtesy was extended to the profession, by voting to allow the brethren of the "Rev. Clergy to visit this Lodge free of expense."

The year 1807 was memorable for the improvements made in the apartments on Ann street, which were occupied by several of the Masonic bodies, including our own. These improvements were made at the expense of the Lodges and St. Andrew's Chapter. The amount contributed by our Lodge was $203.73. The improvements were of such magnitude that this Lodge determined to celebrate their completion by a special service, and it was voted "that our fair sisters be invited, and that suitable arrangements be made for their reception."

No other mention is made in our records of this celebration, but a very full account of the interesting event was printed by the Lodge. We have no copy of the publication, although several are preserved in Masonic libraries, and it may also be found in the Public Library of this city. As the occasion was so unique, and the first in the history of our body which was graced by the presence of ladies, we quote the entire programme, including the poem that was read by one of our members. We begin with the title: —

"An Address Pronounced at the Visitation of Masons Hall Boston on the evening of August 11, A. L. 5807 in the presence of a numerous assembly of Ladies and Gentlemen and a special convention of Mount Lebanon Lodge, By Bro. Benjamin Gleason P. G. L. Boston Printed by Oliver & Munroe. No. 17 State Street.

"NOTE. The purpose of the Visitation was to view the elegant decorations of Masons' Hall, recently completed at a very considerable expense, by the different Lodges, and the St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter, who there alternately hold their regular conventions. A pleasing solemnity, connected with the most social harmony, warmed every heart and cheered every countenance on the occasion. It was a scene of happiest friendship, and reflected the highest honor on Mount Lebanon Lodge.

"The Lodge having convened at an early hour, was duly organized, opened, and adjourned. A very brilliant and respectable assembly of Ladies and Gentlemen were then invited by the Committee of Arrangements, to take their seats in the Hall. After the necessary preparations, the performances were exhibited in the following

ORDER

1 INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC . By a select company of Gentlemen
2 RECITATION . . . . . By Wor. Bro. J. Barber
'Behold how good and pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity' &c.
3 INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
4 HYMN — Beneficence . . . . . Full Choir
5 INTRODUCTORY POEM . . . . By Bro. R. Lash, Jr.
6 MUSIC . . . . . By the Band
7 AN ADDRESS ON THE NATURE AND PRINCIPLES OF THE MASONIC INSTITUTION . . By Bro. B. Gleason
8 INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC
9 MASONIC ODE — 'When Earth's Foundation' &c.
10 CONCLUDING SONG . . . . . By Bro. Welch
11 INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC — 'Come see Masons' Felicity.'

"The company then retired, the Lodge was closed in due form; an entertainment was provided in the Social Hall — and the Evening closed with songs, sentiments and general festivity."

The Poem read by Bro. Robert Lash was as follows:

Hail! lovely partners of each joy and tear,
Which, through life's little pilgrimage, we share;
Whose gentle sympathies sooth every woe,
Whose gen'rous smiles teach gratitude to glow:
We greet you welcome to our blest retreat,
Where Friendship, Love, and social Virtue meet.

To mystic rites, we bid a short adieu,
And dedicate the social hour to you.
The scene is grateful to the raptured eye
With Strength and Wisdom, — Beauty *now* may vie.
For your approvance, we present our Art;
No magic, but the science of the heart!
'Tis not the pomp of show, the *token, sign,*
The *square* and *compass, level, rule* and *line,*
Which constitute the *Tenets* we profess;
No, 'tis the 'happy privilege to bless.'
To form a circle of the Orphans' train,
Who seek from us relief, nor plead in vain:
And when the Widow's sighs are proffered here,
To feel the transport of a human tear
Diffuse each generous feeling of the heart,
And bless ourselves while blessings we impart:

These are our *Tenets*, this our loved employ;
This is the theme, which consecrates our joy.
God-like Humanity, these rites proclaim,
And on this Altar, we have pledged her Fame:
This Altar, sacred to our hallow'd vow,
On which to Heaven, in humble Hope we bow.
Faith cheers our prospects, and points out the road
Which leads to Love, to Happiness and God.

Ye lov'd companions of domestic life,
Endear'd to us as Sister, Friend and Wife;
The ties reciprocal of Love, we blend
And here appear the Husband, Brother, Friend.
Be ours the emulation to pursue
Those bright *Examples*, which we're taught by You.

In 1808 the brethren were disturbed by the announcement that an unauthorized body located in Roxbury was conferring certain Masonic degrees in a clandestine manner. The degrees in question were those appertaining to the Chapter, and while the Lodge, and even the Grand Lodge, had no control over them, as honest Masons they felt it to be their duty to denounce, and if possible to suppress, the undertaking.

The persons engaged in this business were not altogether without precedent for their action. Their leaders were officers of a regular Lodge, one being the Worshipful Master. Of course the Charter of the Lodge was in his charge; nothing therefore was easier than to

have it present whenever they met for work. Possibly they believed that the presence of a Lodge Charter would render their action lawful.

Something like this had been done less than twenty years before, when the Royal Arch Lodge of Boston, now St. Andrew's Chapter, made use of the Charter of the Lodge of St. Andrew, to give regularity to their proceedings. There was this difference in the two instances ; the Lodge of St. Andrew was not subordinate to the St. John's (the regular Grand) Lodge, and so was not amenable to its discipline, nor was there then a Grand Chapter in existence ; but at the time we are considering, a Grand Chapter was lawfully established. The Grand Lodge therefore could not permit its subordinate to invade the rights of an organization with whom it was amicably related. Its action was prompt and effectual, and the undertaking was soon suppressed. The interest and action of our members in this affair proves they were loyal to the interests of regularly organized Masonry.

In 1809 the fee for diplomas was fixed at $1.00, which was paid to the Secretary as a part of his salary. During the same year the Lodge authorized the appointment of a Marshal.

In 1810 we have another glimpse of the social side of the brethren, when they voted that "a committee be chosen to visit St. John's Lodge and inform them that at half past nine we would reciprocate with them the

sentiments of friendship and unanimity among our Lodges;" and again, later in the same year, when it was

"*Voted*, That our fair sisters be invited to pass a social evening with us."

There is no record of their attendance, but there is no doubt of their acceptance of the invitation, or that the evening was pleasantly spent, for on January 1 following, the brethren voted to have a Public Installation of officers, and to "invite our sweet-hearts and wives." The record of the following meeting informs us that "a large number of ladies were present, and that at half past nine o'clock they adjourned to the eating hall and partook of a collation."

In 1811 a Closet Steward was appointed, whose duty it was to take charge of the stores of the Lodge, and with the assistance of the other Stewards to see the table properly spread, when the Lodge was called to refreshment. An inventory of the property of the Lodge in 1812, embraces the following articles: 12 bottles, 2 jugs, 1 large bowl, 1 large pitcher, 7 small pitchers, 9 plates, 56 wine glasses, 1 trunk and 1 tin box. We find in the next report that twenty of the wine glasses were broken during the year.

From about 1810 until the organization of the Boston Board of Masonic Relief, the Lodge was almost continually called upon to assist destitute Masons, most of

whom were strangers. The consideration of these requests formed an important part of the business. The establishment of the Board of Relief took this work from all the Lodges, and it did it much better than it could be done by the individual Lodge. The expense was divided among the various bodies.

In 1811 a hat was purchased for the Master, and it was voted that it should be for the use of this Lodge alone, which would imply that there had previously been a hat in common use by the Masters of the several Lodges.

During the first quarter of the century Dispensations were very common; the District Deputy Grand Masters did a wholesale business in this article. Judging from the number that came to this Lodge, no request could have been refused.

We have the first mention of a Past Master's diploma, November 3, 1812, at which time one was presented to Wor. Bro. Lash by the D. D. Grand Master, on the occasion of his official visit.

In 1813 the report of the Treasurer discloses the fact that notes of hand were taken in payment of the fee for degrees. This practice has long since been prohibited by the Grand Lodge.

In 1814 Wor. Brother Lash was installed High Priest of St. Andrew's Chapter, and the officers of this Lodge were invited to be present at the ceremony.

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The new apartments were occupied but a short time, for, on the 3d of November, 1818, the building in which they were situated was destroyed by fire, and a part of the furniture and regalia of the Lodge was lost. The next meeting was held at the Commercial Coffee House, at the corner of Milk and Batterymarch streets. The Lodge was then obliged to return to its old quarters on Ann street, where it remained for a short time.

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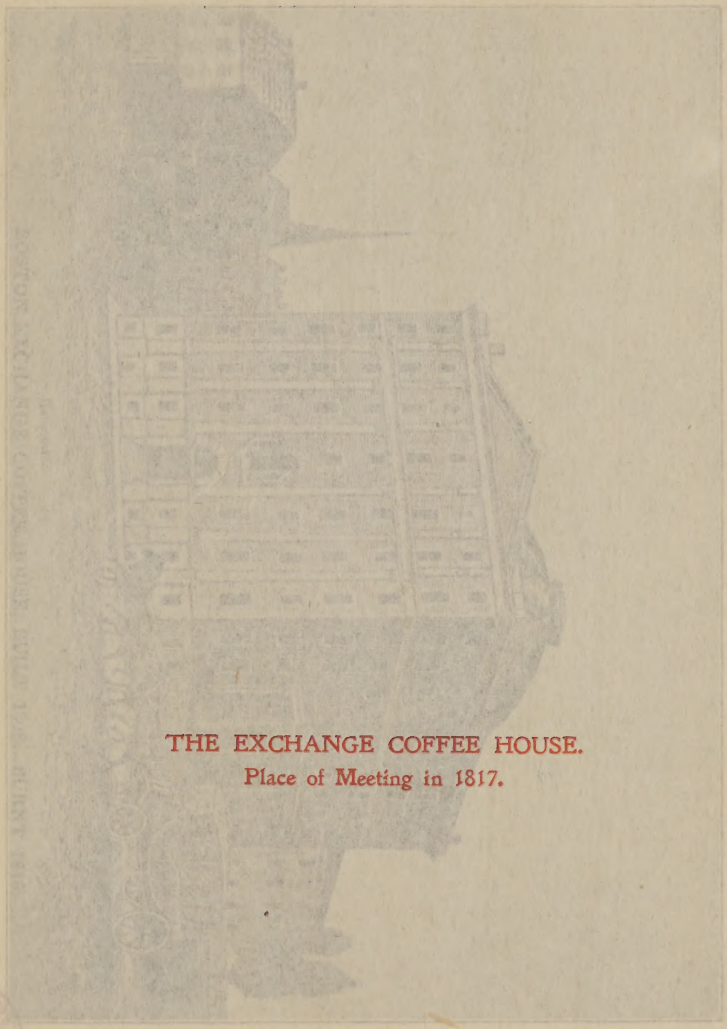

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In 1824 the limit of membership was removed, and at the same time blank applications were authorized, showing the residence and occupation of candidates for the degrees, with the signature of the member proposing them. The same year fifty-five sashes were purchased, at a cost of $107.03. For about fifty years the sash was the distinguishing badge of membership in the Lodge. A committee was also appointed to consider the expediency of presenting jewels to the Past Masters, but there is no record of their report.

At this time the fee for the degrees was $21, and that for membership $7. This fee has varied considerably at different times. As far as it is shown in the records, it has been $24, $22, $25, $30, $40, $50, and $60.

In 1825 the harmony of the Lodge was interrupted by the action of some of its members, who prevented the admission of candidates for the degrees without good reason. A Special Meeting was called to consider the trouble; the result was that one member was expelled, and three suspended for six months.

During this year Gen. Lafayette visited Boston and received much attention from the Masons, as well as from the citizens generally. He was greatly respected by the fraternity, and the members of this Lodge felt they would honor themselves by inviting him to sit for his portrait. A committee was appointed to consider the expediency of this action. At a later meeting they reported adversely, saying the funds were "sacred to

charitable use," and the picture should be obtained by subscription. As the portrait is later mentioned among the possessions of the Lodge, we have no doubt it was acquired in the manner suggested.

The Lodge procured its first banner in 1825, and it was carried on the 17th of June, in the procession organized by the Grand Lodge for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of Bunker Hill Monument. General Lafayette was the principal guest on that occasion, and the event was without doubt the most important public ceremony in the history of our Grand Lodge up to that period. It is a source of regret that our records give no account of this interesting event.

At the Annual Meeting in December of this year, the Worshipful Master presented a report which gives a full account of the financial condition of the Lodge; but what is of more interest, he shows that the brethren made practical application of the principles of their profession, when he says: "Notwithstanding accumulated expenses they have been enabled to contribute to the comfort of the distressed, to bind up the broken heart, and make the widow and the orphan participators in their benevolence."

In 1826 we have some interesting references to the Order of Odd Fellows. There was, at that time, a feeling that this organization was in some manner trespassing on the rights of the Masonic fraternity. The subject was presented to the Lodge, and stringent



State Street and Old State House, 1826.

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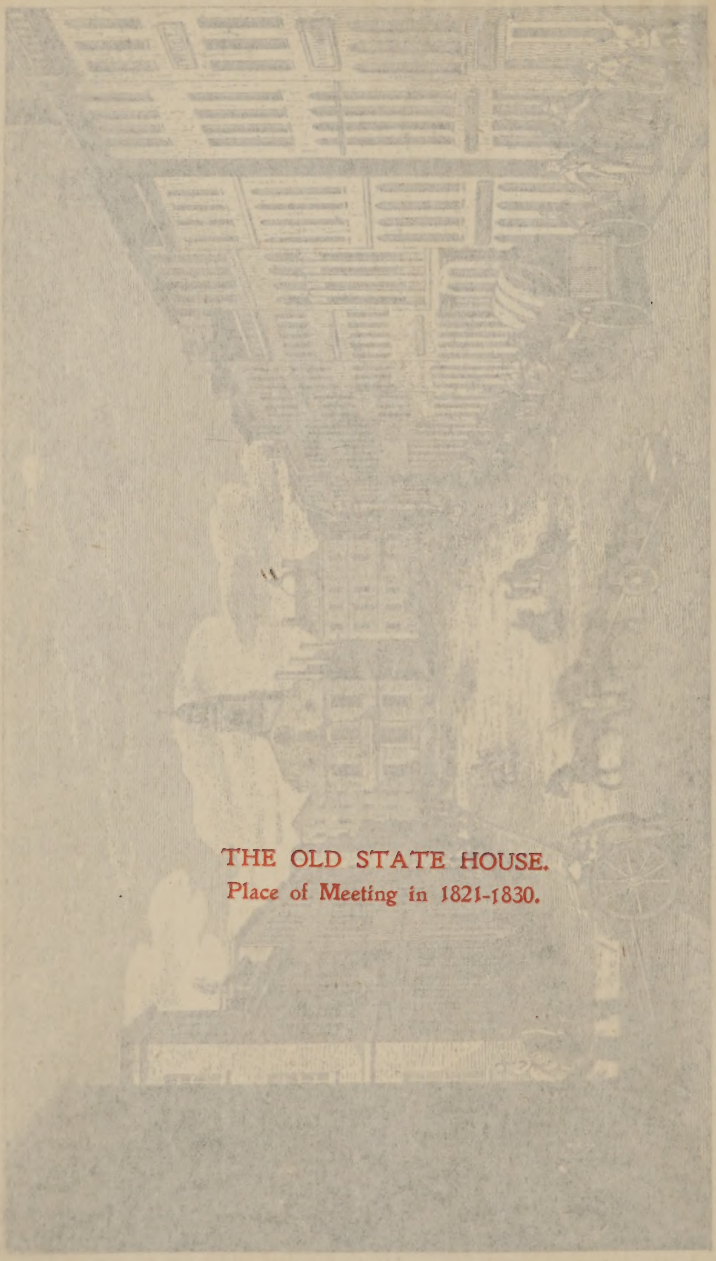

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Only one or two items of interest in this period can be mentioned. The advisability of establishing life-membership was considered in 1841, but was concluded to be inexpedient. In 1846 it was proposed to present jewels to Past Masters, but this was opposed on the ground of expense, the objection coming from Wor. Simon W. Robinson, Past Master of the Lodge.

Ten years later we have the record of an interesting meeting, when ten Past Masters were presented with jewels. The presentation was made by Right Worshipful Stephen Lovell, a member of the Lodge, and at that time, District Deputy Grand Master. Worship-



THE FIRST TEMPLE.
Dedicated 30 May, 1832.

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Only one or two items of interest in this period can be mentioned. The advisability of establishing life-membership was considered in 1841, but was concluded to be inexpedient. In 1846 it was proposed to present jewels to Past Masters, but this was opposed on the ground of expense, the objection coming from Wor. Simon W. Robinson, Past Master of the Lodge.

THE FIRST TEMPLE.
Dedicated 30 May, 1832.

Ten years later we have the record of an interesting meeting, when ten Past Masters were presented with jewels. The presentation was made by Right Worshipful Stephen Lovell, a member of the Lodge, and at that time, District Deputy Grand Master. Worship-



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ful Robert Lash, the Senior Past Master, responded for the recipients. Brother Lash was at that time eighty-two years old, and had been a member of the Lodge for fifty years. The speeches of both the distinguished brothers are recorded in full.

It is not necessary to go into the details of the last fifty years. To many of our older members its events seem very near. We have one brother present whose membership covers the entire period, and when you look on Brother Charles O. Eaton, I am sure you will say he is still young.

There is another present, — a Past Master, — Wor. Brother Franklin H. Sprague, not now a member of this Lodge but affiliated with another, in which he has done good work for the Order, who received the degrees in Mt. Lebanon before its first half-century had closed. Many of us have enjoyed pleasant Masonic association with a goodly number of those who were actively working for the Lodge when it began its second half-century. To some of us it is easy to recall the faces of Waterman, Nurse, Millard, Endicott, Parmenter, Robertson, Parr, Orne, Baker, Pollard, Smith, with Davenport and Sampson who follow near, and others who might be mentioned among those who did the work, and made the history of the Lodge in the latter half of its existence.

During this period our country has passed through the trying scenes of a great civil war. At first it was

feared that the excitement of the time would divert attention from the Lodge; and that the increased expense of living would prevent candidates from applying for the degrees. On the contrary it proved the source of a greater prosperity. Freemasonry stood for brotherhood; it meant a loving word and a helping hand. It is not strange then, that when the volunteer offered his services to his country, he sought admission at the same time to our brotherhood. A multitude of experiences have proved the wisdom of his action. No matter whether the uniform was blue or gray, favors were extended, assistance rendered, and lives saved, just because the soldier was a brother.

In 1861 a committee was appointed by the Lodge "to afford all necessary relief to the families of such members as may volunteer to serve their country during the existing trouble."

We have no complete list of the brethren who volunteered, but as far as has been ascertained they were as follows:—

Daniel Henry, who was Junior Warden of the Lodge when he enlisted. He was killed in battle May 10, 1864. John Graham, Samuel D. Harrington, W. G. Smith, James R. Salla, Alvan M. Turner, Lafayette Culver, Horatio N. Holbrook, Caleb T. Mather, Henry J. Hallgreen, Henry M. Hawkins. Of this list the last four brethren survive, and they are still members of the Lodge.



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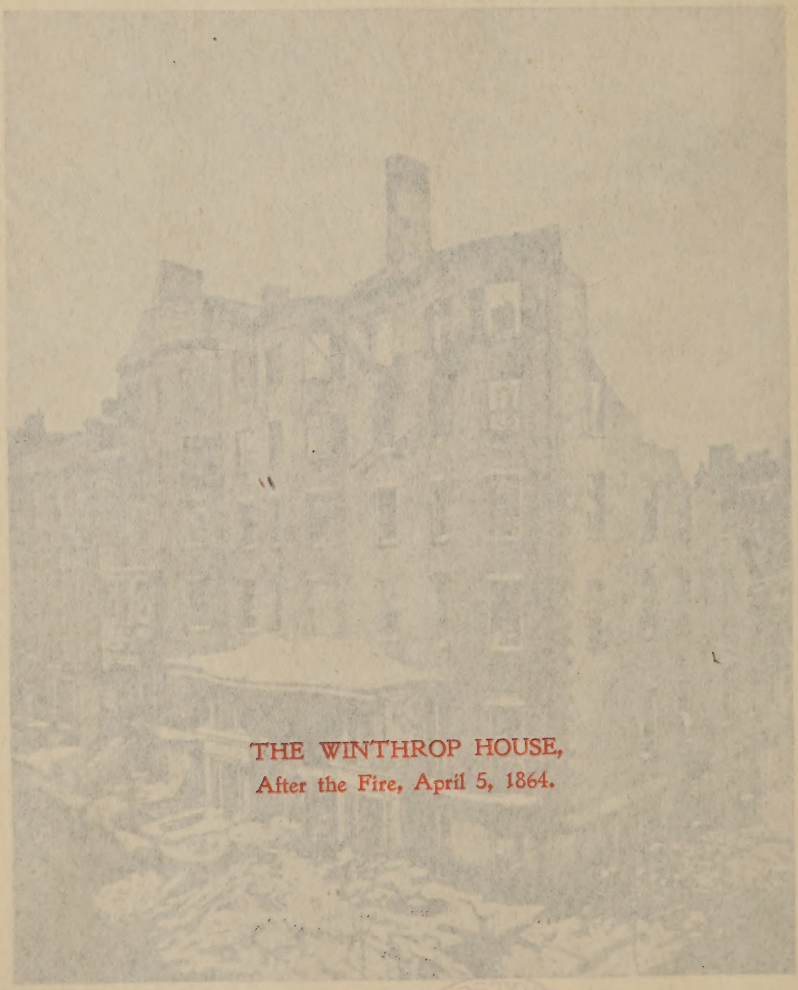

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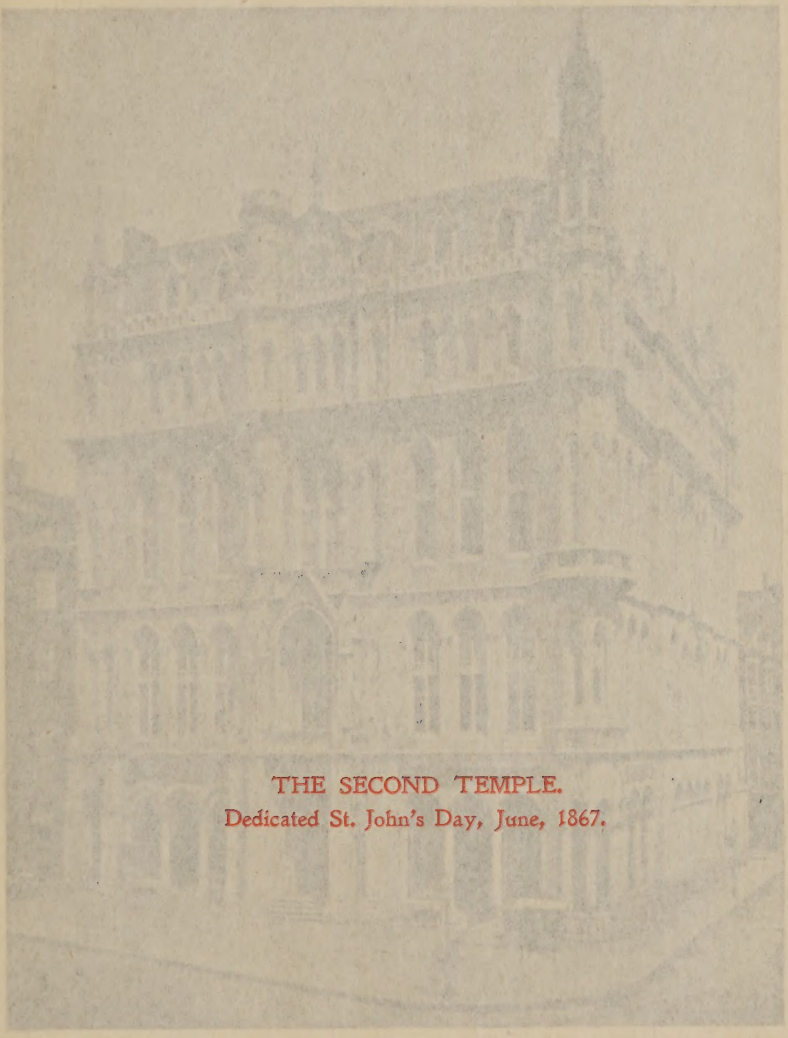

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We have had fifteen Treasurers; the longest in service is our present Treasurer, Charles W. Parker, who is now completing his eighteenth year.

Eleven Secretaries have kept the records. Wor. Brother Thomas Waterman performed that service forty-four years. His time, with that of the present Secretary, covers more than two-thirds of the life of the Lodge. Including the present meeting we have a record of 1,312 since the beginning.

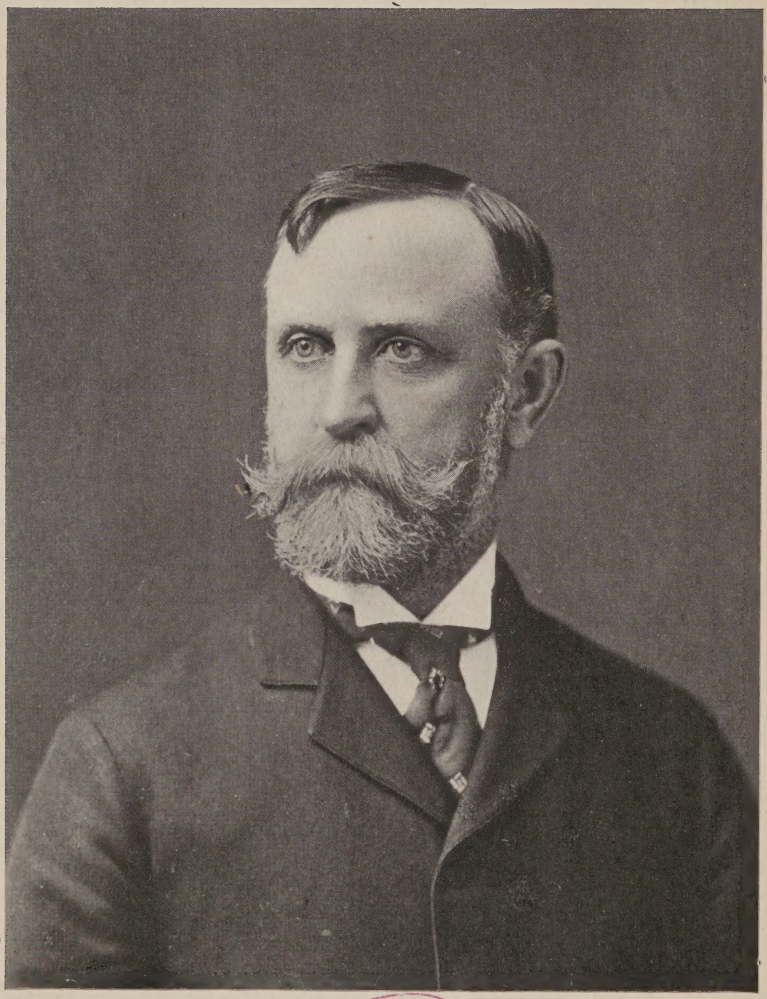
About eleven hundred Masons have been initiated. The greatest amount of work was done in the years of the civil war. In 1864 sixty candidates were proposed for the degrees and forty-six initiated.

It would be a pleasure to us if to-night we could present the original Charter under which the Lodge began its career; unfortunately it was lost in the fire which destroyed the Winthrop House, and we must now be content with the copy authorized by the Grand Lodge.

It is a source of gratification that all our records have been preserved; although we have passed through fires and many removals, it seems as though a special Providence has protected them from harm. We have also many letters and other papers which have come into the hands of the various Secretaries since 1811, and which afford interesting information regarding the business and charities of the Lodge.

No attempt has been made in this address to give an account of what the Lodge has done in charity, but there is no subject more frequently mentioned in the records. None of the acts of our predecessors deserve greater praise than their treatment of the sick and unfortunate who came to them for relief. Charity was to them the corner-stone of Freemasonry, and on it they built the structure of noble and useful lives.

Brethren, my task is now completed. I have led you as rapidly as possible through some of the incidents that have made the history of our Lodge; we now stand at the end of a century, gratefully recognizing the hand of an Overruling Providence who has led our steps and directed our way, believing with confidence that the same Providence will guide and direct us in the years to come. Let our past be an inspiration for the future. Let the devotion of the fathers to the principles of Freemasonry deepen our own love for the same great truths, and as they were faithful to the interests of our Order, whether prosperity smiled or adversity assailed, so may we be encouraged to face the responsibilities of the new century, emulating their fidelity, practicing their virtues, and contributing our best efforts for the success of an institution whose chief purpose is to make mankind better and happier.



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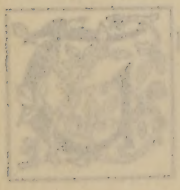

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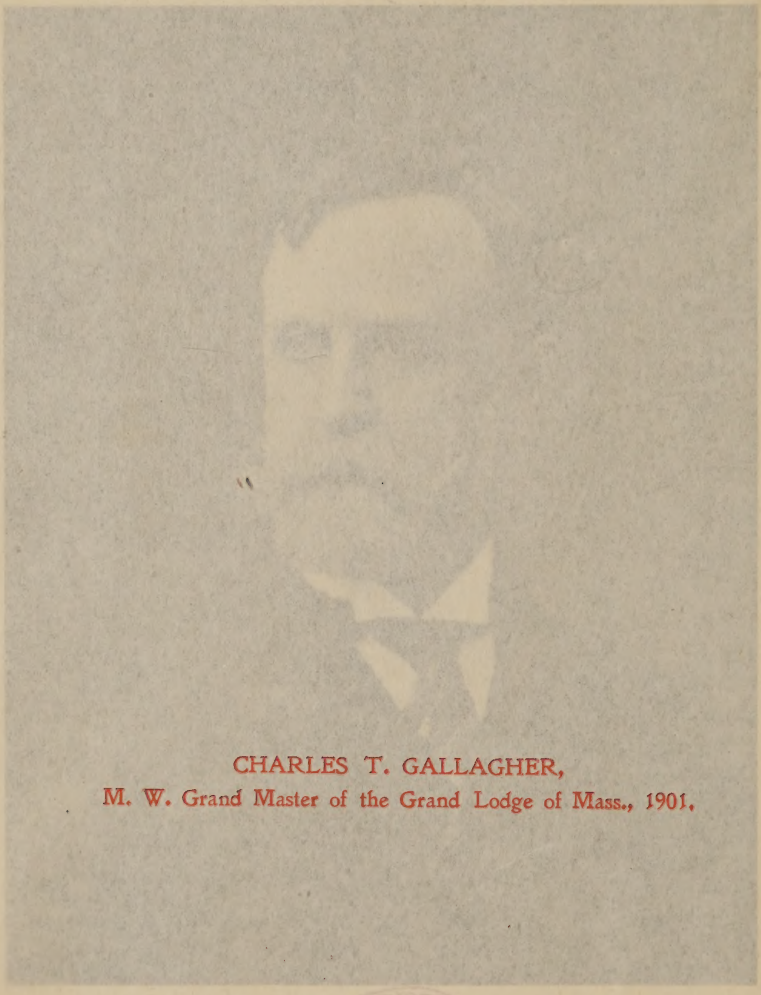

CHARLES T. GALLAGHER,
M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mass., 1901.

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State of Maine, one at Demarara in the Spanish Main, and the remainder in Massachusetts. Among the latter was the organization of that noble little body of men, who, recognizing the sturdiness of the cedar that grew on the scriptural mountain, took to themselves the name which you still bear, and as a part of the "great awakening" of their time we are to celebrate the Centennial of their doing.

Their manifest interest in Masonry, and their zeal for its advancement, have been ably seconded and supported through the century passed; the same spirit of generous emulation, the desire to excel, and above all to place your good old Lodge on the highest plane of success in all undertakings, has found a similar expression in your action this day, developing as it has one of the most brilliant, successful and enjoyable anniversary occasions that it has been the lot of the representatives of the Grand Lodge to witness. It is delightfully pleasant always to enjoy the centennial ceremonies of any organized body; but when there is shown a keen interest, a thorough preparation and organization such as you present this night in the elaborate programme that is before me, the heart of the guest should indeed be full, and his expressions of gratitude co-equal to the occasion.

You have indeed a noble heritage, and you have nobly achieved the work committed to you in commemoration of your founders. They were worthy men of a worthy

town, enlisted in a worthy cause, in behalf of a worthy Institution. They had all witnessed and many of them taken part in the development of a colony into a nation. They had seen their beloved city of Boston dwindle to five thousand inhabitants after the siege, and rise again to five times that number. They had known either personally or intimately of the actions of the great Washington, their and our patron; and in addition to other causes, they were no doubt largely influenced by the generous words of commendation and hoped-for success which he expressed in his letters to various jurisdictions, after laying down the robes of office as President, when he wished success to the Masonic Institution which he so dearly loved.

It was during the administration of Samuel Dunn, whose name appears upon your Charter as Grand Master, that he received for the Grand Lodge from the hands of Martha, the widow of George Washington, a lock of his hair, which was placed in a golden urn fashioned by the hand of Paul Revere, and by him suitably inscribed, the whole being kept in a rosewood casket, likewise the handiwork of Paul Revere. This sacred relic is, at each installation, transmitted from Grand Master to Grand Master with appropriate ceremonies and most solemn injunction as to its care and custody; and appropriate to the time, for it would hardly be appropriate at any other year, I make the connecting link between the hand that is on your Charter and the

hand that received this precious trust, by bringing with me and presenting to your view to-night this graceful relic from that saintly head. Its memory is an inspiration to us as its form was to our fathers. Our homage goes out toward it, and when it shall cease to have our reverence, the Institution we represent and all its principles will fail. Worthy and beloved of all Masons, all men and all people, Nature kindly provided that posterity should not sully his name, and "Heaven left him childless that all the Nation might call him Father."

What miracles of change time has wrought in the past century. When your Lodge was formed, this little City with its handful of a few thousand inhabitants, — every man knowing every other man, the entire town almost self-observant from one end to the other, — was almost without industries, had but little commerce, and was limited in almost every form of modern institution except churches, and absolutely unprovided with many things now regarded by us as necessities; the fifty-mile radius from the State House was sparsely settled, and the communities were pastoral and agricultural; beyond the fifty-mile radius there was little in common with the inhabitants of this section. To-day within that fifty-mile radius one-thirtieth of the population of the entire United States resides. It contains one-twentieth of the wealth of the whole country, and one-fifth of the savings of the American people is to be found in Massachusetts Savings Banks.

Within the radius referred to, more than 2,000,000 people reside, a greater number than within the same radius of any of the great cities of the United States, excepting New York. The valuation of real and personal property owned by these people is more than $2,600,000,000, unfound in the same fifty-mile radius of any great city except New York. The same is true of the business transacted by the clearing house of the Boston banks.

We are apt to think of Philadelphia and Chicago as beyond and above Boston in all things, but here we have a striking object lesson of the marvellous growth and development of a people whose aim in life, being guided by strict integrity and industrious application, has surpassed them both in material things; and while we are second to New York in all that I have named, in the total railway mileage within the fifty-mile radius, for steam and street railway facilities, she has 2,894 miles against 2,606 miles for the same distance about New York City.

All this wonderful development and growth have come from the fertile brain, the industrious hand, the high integrity and business standing of its commercial people. With a soil arid and rock-bound, yielding little in agricultural products and no valuable minerals, our people have developed and fostered industries with the magnificent record I have stated, until our City stands as the great centre of New England, proud in the

achievements of the past and hopeful with great promise for its future.

Among the men who formed a part of this great development, prominent and active in the history of our City and State, were men of your Lodge. They were men of sterling worth and character. They passed through the ordeal of fire in anti-masonic times, and a sufficient number had sufficiently the courage of their convictions to maintain their loyalty to the principles of our Institution; so that when that political craze had passed, they were able to renew with fidelity and zeal their devotion to the ancient landmarks which they had never abandoned. All honor to them and their associates! May their names ever remain with you a roll of honor for the distinguished services they performed! Cherish their memory and emulate their example, so that in the hour of need we may be made strong in our might to maintain the principles of right and justice and all we hold dear.

The great material prosperity to which I have alluded has of course carried with it the advancement of great principles, immortal truths, and the development and advancement of education and religion. Hand in hand with this development have gone the principles and precepts dear to us, which were taught by our fathers as they will be by our sons, principles and precepts which everywhere mark the cardinal virtues of the true Mason.

One hundred years ago the first cotton mill was running with two hundred and fifty spindles. Whitney discovered the cotton gin, and one mill has extended to a thousand, and two hundred and fifty spindles have become eighteen million. The first wool carding machine was in operation under American invention not three years beyond the past century. One hundred years after, there are twenty-five hundred wool manufacturers in the United States.

All the development in all branches of machinery, of manufacture, of metals, of glass industries, of furnace and mill products, of railway and electrical appliances, the handling of great supplies for domestic life and agriculture, the extension of commerce on the seas, the greatest development in these and other lines has been done in this our country during the past one hundred years. Not only in the arts and sciences and material prosperity, but in human thought and development, old prejudices have been eradicated, and this past century of civilization and humanity has closed with a complete emancipation and freedom for human thought. The problem for us is the century that we approach.

The divine attribute of the Mason is Truth. Our civilization having become fixed and no longer experimental, the duty of the future is to develop what we have achieved, and apply it in the most honest and useful method for the further advancement of civilization, to the end that the next Centennial Anniversary

of your Lodge will close what may be termed a Truth-seeking century. It will be the duty of the brethren of the Craft to see that in our future progress neither dishonesty nor fraud shall enter into the work of the hand or the expression of the mouth; that in the mart, the workshop, and in the government; in science, literature, and art; in the professions, and on land and sea; the methods employed shall be those of honesty and Truth.

The equitable adjustment that must take place in the relations of capital, labor, trades, occupations, markets, and commercial highways, must be borne out by thinking men governed by the most honest intentions. In the development of these great problems, the principles of our Institution cannot fail to be a potent influence in stimulating the minds and characters of men in every station of life; and by the applications of the great principles of Truth, the next century will close with a country no longer torn by differences or dissensions, but all will be "united in one common purpose, with unselfish devotion to the public weal."

Not only in our own country, but in dealing with the world, the principles of reciprocity and mutual international assistance throughout the civilized world must be perfected and developed by the humanitarian influences of the English-speaking people; and as they have encouraged civil and religious liberty, representative and constitutional government, free public schools, freedom

of thought, and all that has been an encouragement to education, commerce, industry and the arts, so they have ever fostered and developed the Institution of Freemasonry and its principles, justly and properly to be regarded as the handmaiden of the highest and best civilization.

We point with pride to England, saved from the Spanish Armada, and Holland withstanding the atrocities of Alva and Philip, as being saved to civilization to foster and develop all we hold dear, and all that is great, noble and grand in the civilization and development of our race. May the light saved by them and transmitted to us, continue to burn as a beacon that shall guide other less favored nations to Truth as part of the great plan of the coming century. May this development go hand in hand with Masonry, so that its influence may extend to all parts of the earth, demonstrating its universality, and that its precepts shall be equally extensive.

May we not say then with the great orator of the landing of the Pilgrims:

"Advance, then, ye future generations! We would hail you, as you rise in your long succession to fill the places which we now fill, and to taste the blessings of existence where we are passing, and soon shall have passed, our own human duration. We bid you welcome to this pleasant land of the Fathers. We bid you welcome to the healthful skies and the verdant

fields of New England. We greet your accession to the great inheritance which we have enjoyed. We welcome you to the blessings of good government and religious liberty. We welcome you to the treasures of science and the delights of learning. We welcome you to the transcendent sweets of domestic life, to the happiness of kindred and parents and children. We welcome you to the immeasurable blessings of rational existence, the immortal hope of Christianity, and the light of everlasting truth!"

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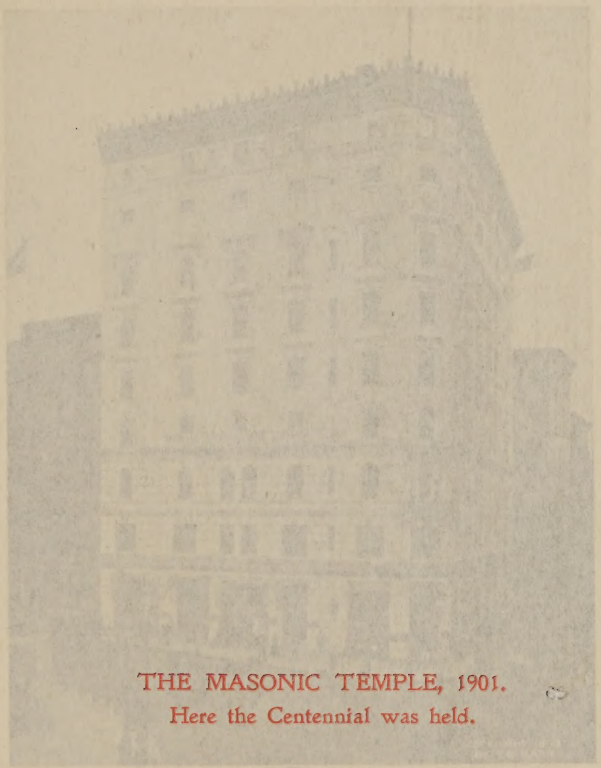

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ter, and the invited guests, and repaired to the Banquet Hall.

This Hall had been beautifully decorated with wreaths of ivy and streamers of the same, in which were partly hidden tiny electric lights, while upon the tables were placed dainty little tapers and large bouquets of flowers. As the company entered the Hall, Brother T. M. Carter's Orchestra struck up the Boston Commandery March.

Some two hours were pleasantly passed here, the orchestra charming the ear with favorite selections, while the caterer delighted the palate with delicious tid-bits. When the sherbet was reached, the entire electric lights, with the exception of the borders, were extinguished, and with a swing, the hundred or more waiters filed round the Hall, singing as only the colored man can sing, each bearing aloft an ice, brightly illuminated. The brethren appeared to be much taken with this feature, and the waiters had not proceeded far, before the voices of many of the members and their ladies were heard, swelling the chorus.

The Entertainment in Ionic Hall followed the Banquet, which was attended by nearly all who had been present during the evening; after this there was dancing in Gothic Hall, in which most of the younger members took part, though many of the older and more sedate brethren seemed glad of the opportunity to renew their

youth and tread a measure with some of the many fair ladies present.

At midnight the celebration of the first Centennial of Mt. Lebanon Lodge was brought to a close, and with the hopes and wishes that the next Centennial might be as interesting and successful as the first, the brethren, their ladies and guests, with merry faces and happy hearts, bade each other

Good Night.



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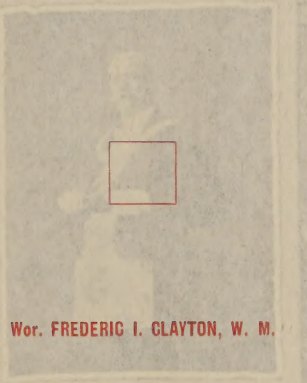

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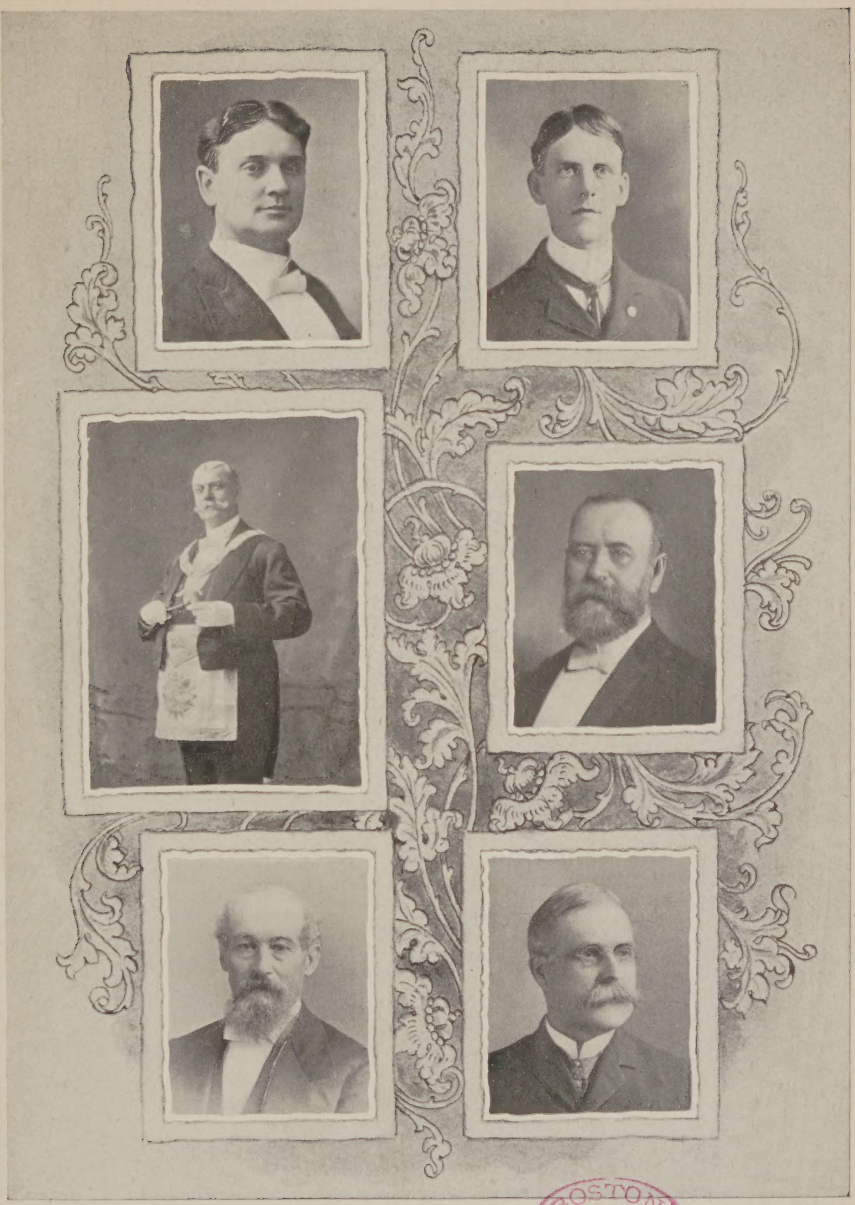

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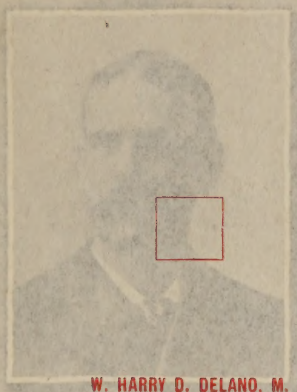

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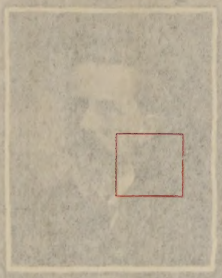

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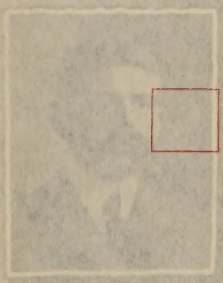

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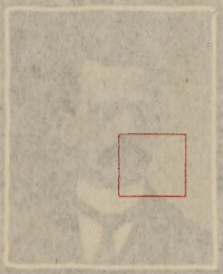

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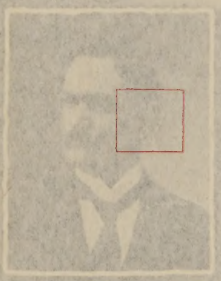

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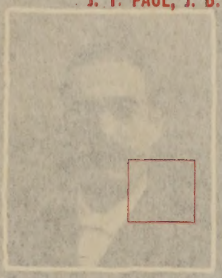

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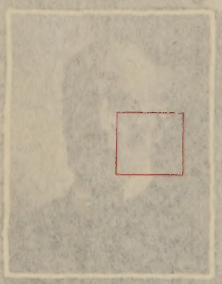

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		Tower, Levi . . .	11	Oct. 8, 1860
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	Perkins, David . .	17	Sept.	8, 1862
o †	Moore, George D. . .	18	Oct.	13, 1862
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