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HISTORY

OF

PORTLAND COMMANDERY, NO. 2,

OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR,

INCLUDING THAT OF KING DARIUS COUNCIL FROM 1805 TO 1821, AND OF MAINE ENCAMPMENT, NO. 1, FROM 1821 TILL 1855, WHEN ITS CHARTER WAS GIVEN TO TEMPLARS IN THE VALLEY OF THE KENNEBEC.

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History of Portland Commandery.

Chapter I.

KING DARIUS COUNCIL.

Although Portland Commandery is No. 2, and Maine Commandery, at Gardiner, outranks it, yet the fact that our Order existed in Portland at the beginning of the century, and before any Templar Grand Body was organized on this continent, and the circumstance that the charter of Maine Encampment was given to the Gardiner brethren in 1854, and the Encampment removed to that place, so that Templar masonry did not exist there until seven years after Portland Commandery was chartered, is a reason for beginning its history with the beginning of Templarism in this country.

The earliest trace which we find of the Order in America is in the records of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter, at Boston. At a meeting held August 28, 1769, William Davis received the four steps of Excellent, Super-Excellent, Royal Arch and Knight Templar. This Chapter appears to have been at that time self-constituted, and to have been connected with St. Andrew's Lodge. The ritual is supposed to have been obtained from the Irish Lodge connected with the 29th British Regiment, and an old address, issued by "Grand Kilwinning Chapter of High Knights Templar of Ireland, Jan. 30, 1806," states that body to have been chartered by the "Royal Mother Lodge of Kilwilling of Scotland, the true source from which any legal authority could be obtained." Thus we trace

Templarism back to Scotland, and St. Andrew's Lodge held its charter from the Grand Lodge of that country. The orders were probably invented by Chevalier RAMSAY, in the interest of the Stuart family, together with the degrees now practiced by the Scottish Rite. The latter Order, organized in Paris, in 1761, and started at Charleston, S. C., in 1783, claimed control of these orders, as was shown by the fact that the Grand (Encampment) Commandery of New York was constituted in 1814 by authority of the Sovereign Grand Consistory then sitting in New York City. But self-constituted Commanderies, organized in connection with the York Rite bodies, then existed in that State, as well as in New England, and it is clear that our present orders, as arranged by THOMAS SMITH WEBB, have come down to us from the original Scottish source, without coming through the Ancient and Accepted Rite, as has been by some asserted. In corroboration of this, it may be mentioned that the Order of the Red Cross is still claimed by bodies existing under the authority of the Grand Chapter of Scotland, and Scottish Chapters are entitled to work the Red Cross degree, which includes Knights of the Sword, Knights of the East, or Princes of Jerusalem, and Knights of the East and West, or Knight Mason of Jerusalem [Correspondent Scottish Freemason, Aug. 1. 1879.]; and it is significant, and may be a valuable point in connection with the proposition to give up the Red Cross Order, that in Boston and Portland, and probably other places, Red Cross Councils were instituted, and that Order conferred, before they undertook to give the Order of the Temple. Boston Encampment was self-constituted, and held its first meeting March 12, 1802. From that time until March 15, 1806, it conferred only the Red Cross Order. March 3, 1806, the self-constituted "United States Grand Encampment" gave it a charter of recognition, which included the orders of Red Cross, Knight Templar and Knight of Malta.

June 8, 1805, Boston Encampment conferred the Order of the Red Cross upon STEPHEN FOSTER, of Portland, and in that same year, August 23d, a Council of Knights of the Red Cross was formed at Portland, called

DARIUS COUNCIL OF KNIGHTS OF THE RED CROSS,

by three Knights of that Order, who admitted two other members. At that October meeting it was voted "to adopt a petition, and forward it to the Grand Encampment of the Northern States, asking to be received under its jurisdiction and protection"; and at a meeting held May 19, 1806, it was voted, "That Sir STEPHEN FOSTER attend the Assembly of the Grand Encampment at Boston and request a charter." FOSTER had been present at the formation of the "United States Grand Encampment," March 3, 1806, and evidently proposed to come under its jurisdiction, and that Body, at its next meeting at Boston, May 29, 1806, elected him Grand Sword Bearer, and conferred the orders upon others. STEPHEN FOSTER was Secretary. October 9th they elected officers, and JOHN COE was elected R. S. and S. M.

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Officers be authorized and directed, whenever the Encampment of Knights at Portland shall petition for a charter of recognition, to issue the same accordingly, agreeably to the Constitution."

The fee for such a charter was fifteen dollars to the Grand Encampment and five dollars to the Grand Recorder. The Constitution then adopted provided that "Every independent Council of Knights of the Red Cross should meet at least quarterly for business and improvement, and should consist of a Sovereign, a Chancellor, a Master of the Palace, a Master of Cavalry (who is Senior General), a Master of Infantry (who is Junior General), a Master of Finance, a Master of Dispatches, a Standard Bearer, a Sword Bearer (who is Master of Ceremonies), and as many members as may be found convenient and proper."

A note states that "An independent Council of Knights of the Red Cross is understood to be a Council that derives its authority immediately from the Grand Encampment, unconnected with an Encampment of Knights Templars." The minimum fees were fifteen dollars for the Red Cross Order and fifteen dollars for the Order of the Temple.

October 6, 1806, it was "Voted, That this Council be known by the name and title of King Darius Council."

October 13th, Sir STEPHEN FOSTER addressed a letter to Sir OTIS AMMIDON, Grand Recorder, applying for a charter.

The courtesy of Sir ALFRED F. CHAPMAN, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, who has loaned us all the papers on file, enables your committee to give this letter, as well as other documents in their appropriate places.

"PORTLAND, October 13, 1806.

"SIR KNIGHT,

"Yours of 5th August and Sept. 10th, former accompanied with ten, the latter with nine copies of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment, were both received in safety. From the last Communication I conclude you committed a little error in the inclosure—intending, I suppose, to forward a list of officers, &c., instead of the Constitutions—which would have been very acceptable, and what we are desirous to receive.

"At the last Assembly of the Grand Encampment in Boston, on my special application in behalf of the Council in this place, a vote passed unanimously, granting to the Knights of the Red Cross in Portland a Charter of recognition. Unexpected events have occasioned our neglecting to apply for said charter to this period. At a Council held on the 6th inst., consisting of Sirs JOHN COE, WM. SWAN, ISAAC GAGE, STEPHEN FOSTER, WM. CROSS, ROBERT STRONG, JAMES D. HOPKINS, GEORGE BONNELL and WM. STEVENS, it was unanimously voted that I should apply for said charter, forwarding the stated fees. In conformity with said vote, I have the honor to make this communication and that request—also would inform you we have determined that our Council shall be distinguished by the name of King Darius's Council —or, should any other Council have adopted this name, please to leave the blank in the body of the charter, and I will forward to you another that shall be fixed on. I cannot but hope, after receiving the Charter of Recognition, we shall, as a Council, be stimulated to conform to all the laws of the Grand Encampment so far as they appertain to us; also to promote the genuine principles of the Order, and become a pillar in the Eastern *territorial part* of the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment. With requesting your early attention to this business, I am, Sir Knight, in behalf of our Council and myself, very respectfully your ob't Serv't,

STEPHEN FOSTER.

"To Sir OTIS AMMIDON,
Grand Recorder. ($20 rec'd.) [Post-paid 17c.]"

The charter was received Dec. 22, 1806, and was dated May 29, 1806. The following is a copy:

"*To all whom it may Concern:* The United States Grand Encampment of Knights Templars and the appendant orders, convened and assembled in the town of Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, on the 29th day of May, Anno Domini 1806, send Greeting

"Whereas, a Petition has been presented to this Grand Encampment from * * * * residents of the town of ——— and its vicinity, in that part of the State of Massachusetts called the District of Maine, all true and courteous Knights of the Red Cross, stating that they have heretofore assembled together, as was the custom of Knights antecedent to the establishment of the Grand Encampment, and exercised the privileges of forming and opening an occasional assembly or council of Knights of the Red Cross, for the benefit, as they conceived, of the institution—and its members: But being deeply impressed with a sense of the necessity and importance of discipline and subordination, and persuaded that in order to support the honour and dignity of the institution, it is essentially necessary that there should be an acknowledged head, and tribunal, of superior authority, competent to protect their rights and privileges, and to redress their wrongs and injuries, they, therefore, acknowledging the jurisdiction of the United States Grand Encampment, pray for a Charter of Recognition, extending and confirming unto them the rights and privileges of a regularly constituted Council of Knights of the Red Cross.

"Now be it known, That we, the Grand Encampment aforesaid, considering that the interests of the institution may be promoted by granting the prayer of the said Petition, have authorized and empowered, and do by these presents authorize and empower, the said * * * * to form, open and hold a regular and constitutional Council of Knights of the Red Cross, in the aforesaid town of ———, by the name, stile, or title of ———————, to confer the said order upon tried and worthy candidates; * * to elect, from time to time, their several officers; to make by-laws and ordinances for their own government; to admit members; and to do and transact all such matters and things as are lawful and proper to be done and transacted in such an assembly.

"And we do hereby enjoin it upon the said * * * Council, to see that they are regularly and constitutionally represented in the assemblies of the Grand Encampment; to be punctual in making their annual returns to the Grand Recorder; and the payment of their dues into the Grand Treasury and to conform in all their transactions to the Constitution and the Edicts of the Grand Encampment, otherwise this Charter, and the powers herein granted, are to cease and be of no further effect.

"In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, and caused the seal of the Grand Encampment to be annexed, the day and year first above written."

The form seems to be the first draft, and lacks the signatures but is endorsed "Copy of Charter of Recognition granted to the Knights at Portland."

Until this time Sir JOHN COE had presided over the Council, by

the title of R. S. February 23, 1807, the charter was accepted and a code of by-laws was adopted.

At the Annual Assembly of the United States Grand Encampment, May 28, 1807, King Darius Council was represented by W. Sir JOHN COE, by W. Sir EDWARD HORSMAN, [of Boston, Secretary of Grand Chapter], and by W. Sir BENJAMIN GLEASON, proxy for W. Sir STEPHEN FOSTER, Grand Sword Bearer. STEPHEN FOSTER was re-elected to his office.

The return is preserved, and gives the membership as follows:

Sir John Coe, Sovereign; William Swan, 1st General; Isaac Gage, 2d General; Stephen Foster, M. Ceremonies; William Cross, Master Finances; William Lord, Master Dispatches; William Stevens, Sentinel; James D. Hopkins, Geo. Bonnell, Robert Strong, members; Sir John Coe, Delegate to the Grand Encampment.

At the May meeting, 1808, at Providence, FOSTER was present, but the Council was not represented. Sir JAMES D. HOPKINS, had been appointed delegate, but not being able to attend in person, his proxy was deemed to be irregular. The return shows JAMES D. HOPKINS, Sovereign, the others as in 1807. Dues, one candidate, $2.50.

The Annual Assembly for 1809 was at Newburyport, May 29th. STEPHEN FOSTER was present, but King Darius Council was not represented. FOSTER was re-elected.

THOMAS BROWN was appointed by Mount Vernon Chapter in March, 1809, to confer with King Darius's Council about meeting in Cumberland Hall, in Market Square, and the Council evidently met there.

The Annual Assembly for 1810 was at Boston, May 31st. FOSTER was not present, but was re-elected Sword Bearer. EDWARD HORSMAN was the delegate, as appears by a proxy from the Council signed "JOHN PRICHARD, M. D."

The return for this year is extant, and shows the officers and members as before, except that JOHN PRICHARD had become

Master of Dispatches, ROBERT STRONG, Capt. Guard, and GEORGE BONNELL, Commissary. No candidates.

The Annual Assembly for 1811 was at Providence. King Darius Council was not represented. FOSTER was re-elected. At this time there were in the jurisdiction only St. John's Encampment at Providence, Boston Encampment, Newburyport Encampment and King Darius Council, all but the latter organized before 1805.

In 1812 HORSMAN was delegate, JOHN PRICHARD again signing his credentials. No Portland man was present. King Darius Council returns were received and put on file. They show the officers as before, with RUFUS WASHBURN added to the membership, and the order gratuitously conferred upon Rev. MARTIN RUTER.

In 1813 the meeting was at Boston. SHUBAEL BELL was proxy for FOSTER, and HORSMAN was delegate for the Council. FOSTER was re-elected. The return shows officers and members as before, with no work. This same year, May 17, 1813, it appears on Mount Vernon Chapter records that Bro. STEPHEN FOSTER requested to have the dues of King Darius Council for the occupancy of Cumberland Hall remitted, showing that they had been meeting there and that they had done but little work.

In 1814 SETH JOHNSON was proxy for FOSTER at the Grand Encampment, and HORSMAN for the Council. FOSTER was re-elected. Washington Encampment, at Newport, R. I., then received a charter of recognition. The return shows no change in officers or members and no work. It is made out in WILLIAM LORD'S handwriting, and signed by JOHN PRICHARD in a tremulous hand.

In 1815 neither FOSTER nor representative was present, but FOSTER was re-elected.

In 1816 the Grand Encampment changed its Constitution by striking out "United States" and changing the titles of its officers, thus merging itself into what is now the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

A month later, June 20 and 21, 1816, the General Grand Encampment of the United States was formed at a Convention held in New York, by delegates from

Boston Encampment,	Boston,
St. John's Encampment,	Providence,
Ancient Encampment,	New York,
Temple Encampment,	Albany,
Montgomery Encampment,	Stillwater,
St. Paul's Encampment,	Newburyport,
Newport Encampment,	Newport,
Darius Council,	Portland.

The Massachusetts Encampments (including Darius Council) seem to have been represented by THOMAS SMITH WEBB, HENRY FOWLE, Rev. PAUL DEAN and JOHN J. LORING, all of Boston, no Portland man being mentioned.

At this time we know JAMES D. HOPKINS was the Master of King Darius Council, as his name is so given in the Massachusetts Annual Register for that year, but nothing further appears of record except that they held meetings regularly until 1820, when the impetus received by the formation of a new State government with its capital at Portland, and a new Grand Lodge meeting at the same city, moved them to apply for an extension of the charter, to embrace the Orders of Knights Templar and Knights of Malta. The last meeting was February 17, 1821, when it was again voted to petition for an Encampment of Knights Templar and appendant Orders.

During these fifteen years, we find that two Portland masons had taken the Orders in Boston Encampment: OLIVER BRAY received all the Orders there June 14, 1808, and STEPHEN SWETT November 13, 1815. The former was a trial justice, the latter a deputy sheriff. They possibly were unable to obtain admission to King Darius Council, and, being active in other branches of masonry, sought advancement in Boston. MARTIN RUTER also took the Order of the Temple in Boston Encampment, March 10, 1813.

JOHN COE was a druggist, and a man who stood high in the

church and in the community. He died in Worcester, August 20, 1847, at the age of sixty-seven. He was a member of Portland Lodge, and Junior Warden in 1803 and Senior Warden in 1805–6.

STEPHEN FOSTER was a trader, who was initiated in Portland Lodge in 1804, and was its Senior Warden in 1814. In the Directory of 1823 he is set down as a clerk, living in Clay Cove. His sister married ARTHUR SHIRLEY. He died April 26, 1824, aged forty-two years.

JAMES DEAN HOPKINS was a leading lawyer, and was the first high priest of Mount Vernon Chapter, a past master of Portland Lodge, and district deputy grand master of Massachusetts. He was born in Axminster, County of Devon, in the West of England, in 1772, came to Portland at the age of twelve, and died June 17, 1840.

WILLIAM SWAN was an importer in the West India Trade for forty years, Bank President, and one of our most prominent and honored citizens. He was born in Groton, Mass., January 6, 1782, came to Portland in 1795, and died here Sept. 18, 1853, at the age of 71 years. He presided over Mount Vernon Chapter five years, and also over the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter. A fine portrait of him may be seen at the house of his nephew, FRANCIS K. SWAN. He was buried in a tomb in the Eastern Cemetery.

ISAAC GAGE was a merchant, who came here in 1785 from Essex County, Massachusetts. He was a member of Portland Lodge, and its Junior Warden in 1800–1. In his later life he kept a boarding house on Middle Street, next east of the old Second Parish Church, then the fashionable part of the city. He died in December, 1826, aged 62 years. The Hon. JOHN MUSSEY says GAGE kept a boarding house in 1805, on the corner of Temple and Federal Streets, and that he boarded there in 1813. It afterwards became the Elm Tavern and was kept by Deacon BARRELL.

WILLIAM STEVENS was an old sailor, poor in estate, but a favorite with the fraternity. He was Sentinel of Darius Council, of Mount Vernon Chapter, and of the Grand Bodies, and Tyler of Portland Lodge. He died in March, 1834. He continued Tyler of Mount Vernon Chapter until his death, but JOHN LEACH seems

to have taken his place in Maine Encampment. Probably he did not take part in the re-organization as an Encampment.

Martin Ruter was a Methodist clergyman, who came to Portland in 1811 and preached at the Chestnut Street Church. He remained about four years, afterwards going to Cumberland, and then to Newmarket, N. H. He finally went to Texas, where he founded Rutersville College, of which he was President for many years. He was an able preacher, and was self-taught in French, Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Arabic and Persian, versed in Theology and well read in Church History.

Robert Strong was a mariner, who was initiated in Portland Lodge in 1797.

John Prichard was a merchant, who was initiated in Portland Lodge in 1799. He died Jan. 20, 1823, aged fifty years.

William Cross was a merchant, initiated in Portland Lodge in 1802.

Rufus Washburn was initiated in Portland Lodge in 1803, and dimitted in 1806. As there is no further mention of him, it may be inferred that he left the town.

George Bonnell was initiated in Portland Lodge in 1804, and was dimitted in 1807. He probably removed in the Embargo days.



CHAPTER II

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

At the Grand Assembly of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island at Providence, R. I., June 10, 1822, Grand Master FOWLE reported as follows:

"In August, 1820, a petition was forwarded to me from the Knights composing the Council of the Red Cross, who were also Knights Templars, at Portland, Me., praying for a charter of recognition as an Encampment of Knights Templar, agreeably to a resolution of this Grand Encampment (Assembly of May 29, 1806), when they were constituted a Council of the Red Cross. After due consideration, and obtaining all the necessary information on the subject by correspondence and other communications, I received their charter for a Council, and granted them another, recognizing them an Encampment of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders, according to the powers vested in the Grand Masters of the State Grand Encampments by the Constitution of the General Grand Encampment.

"I received of said Knights,		$15.00
Paid for engrossing charter,	$10.00	
Postage and other contingent expenses,	5.00	
		$15.00

(Signed,) H. FOWLE,
Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of
"Boston, June 28, 1821. *Massachusetts and Rhode Island.*

"N. B. This report would have been made at the last Communication of the G. E., but the principal officers and members being absent, it was thought proper to defer it until the present time.

"June 10, 1822. (Signed,) HENRY FOWLE, G. M.

"On motion, it was

"*Voted,* That the doings of Sir H. FOWLE, in the above statement, be approved, and that the same be placed on record."

On the files of the same Grand Encampment appears the following, indorsed "H. Fowle's Report respecting the Encampment at Portland, 1821."

"A petition dated Dec. 1, 1820, praying for a charter of recognition as an Encampment of Knights Templar at Portland, Me., and signed by a constitutional number of Knights Templars, was presented to me soon after the above date. The petition stated, that, when they took their charter for a Council of the Red Cross, the Grand Encampment passed a resolution authorizing either of the four first officers to grant a charter of recognition to the aforesaid Knights on their application for the establishment of an Encampment.

"A letter from some of the petitioners accompanied the petition, which stated that Maine having become an independent State, and they having been established as a Council of the Red Cross, were desirous of being considered also as the first Encampment. This and a number of other reasons were mentioned as their motives for wishing the establishment of an Encampment in Portland. Upon examining the records of 1806, I found the resolution referred to; and knowing no reason why the prayer of their petition should not be granted, I directed a charter of recognition to be made out accordingly, for which they paid me the usual price of $15, ten of which I paid for writing the charter, and the balance is at the disposal of the G. Encampt.

"Boston, 28 June, 1821. HENRY FOWLE, *Grand Master.*"

The original petition, on file, was signed by STEPHEN FOSTER, STEPHEN SWETT, J. D. HOPKINS, DANIEL HUNT, SOLOMON SIAS, JOHN WILDRAGE, GEORGE MCLELLAN, OLIVER BRAY and NELSON RACKLYFT, and was dated Dec. 1, 1820. It asked that the new body should be called Maine Encampment, and that the "Rev. SOLOMON SIAS [should be the] M. E. Grand Commander, Sir JAMES DEAN HOPKINS, ESQ., Generalissimo, and Sir STEPHEN FOSTER, Captain-General."

A letter from STEPHEN FOSTER, dated Aug. 25, 1820, says:

"M. E. COMPANION FOWLE.

"*Dear Sir:*—Since I saw you, I have had considerable conversation with the Knights Templars here relative to the expediency of applying for a charter or dispensation to hold an Encampment and conferring the T. and Maltese degrees here. I have also had some conversation with Companion PURKET, who thinks that the business might be accomplished.

"I would observe that, previous to the establishment of the Grand Encampment, we were in the habit of conferring the Red Cross, Templar and Maltese degrees on Royal Arch Masons; but after the Grand Encampment was organized, we applied for a charter of recognition to hold a Council of Knights of the Red Cross only, which was granted on the 29th of May, 1806, for which we paid twenty dollars, being the sum required for the whole of

the degrees. At that time we did not care to cultivate any more than the Red Cross. I think if we had the power now to hold an Encampment, we should have a number of respectable applicants from the respective Chapters in this quarter—those who would do honor to the Institution—and I wish you to give me information, so soon as you can conveniently, what course we ought to pursue.

"If we could have our Charter endorsed free of any more expense (as we originally paid all that was then required), we should like it; if not, I suppose we must pay the sum now required for a new Encampment. In either case, I think we had better be under the Mass. and Rhode Island Gd. Encampment, if consistent, and let our dues be paid there. If it should be necessary to have a petition signed and sent on, will you communicate the form and any other information it may be necessary for us to attend to; in so doing you will oblige your friend and Companion,

STEPHEN FOSTER.

"N. B. Companion PURKET, who will be the bearer of this, has had considerable conversation with me on the subject, and can give you more particular information."

The charter of Maine Encampment bore the date of March 17, 1821, and read as follows:

"By the Most Worshipful HENRY FOWLE, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

"To all whom it may concern: Be it known, That, whereas a petition has been presented from SOLOMON SIAS, JAMES DEAN HOPKINS, STEPHEN FOSTER, JOHN WILDRAGE, GEORGE MCLELLAN, OLIVER BRAY, STEPHEN SWETT and DANIEL HUNT, all true and courteous Knights Templars, resident in the town of Portland or its vicinity, in the State of Maine, representing that they have heretofore assembled as Knights of the Red Cross, under a charter from the General Grand Encampment of the United States, as it was styled, dated May 29, A. D. 1806, but are now desirous to unite with their brethren of the Orders in this country under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; and whereas, by a vote of said G. G. Encampment, passed May 29th, A. D. 1806, the Grand Officers were authorized and directed, whenever the Encampment of Knights at Portland should petition for a charter of Recognition, to issue the same agreeably to the Constitution, Now, therefore, by virtue of the power vested in me by said vote and Constitution, I do hereby authorize and empower the said SOLOMON SIAS and his companions to form, open and hold an Encampment of the valiant and magnanimous Orders of Knights of the Red Cross, Knights Templars and Knights of Malta of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, in the said town of Portland, by the name, style or title of the Maine Encampment of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders; to confer those Orders

upon tried and worthy candidates, to make by-laws and ordinances for their own government, and generally to do and transact all such matters and things as may and ought to be done in such an assembly. And furthermore I do hereby authorize the said Maine Encampment to take rank and precedence in the Grand Encampment and elsewhere from the date of their former charter above mentioned, and I do hereby appoint the said SOLOMON SIAS to be the first Grand Commander, the said JAMES D. HOPKINS to be the first Generalissimo, and the said STEPHEN FOSTER to be the first Captain General of said Maine Encampment. And I do hereby require the said Encampment to conform in all their doings to the Constitution, Laws and Edicts of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and in failure thereof, this Charter and the powers herein granted shall cease and be of no further validity."

Rev. SOLOMON SIAS, the Commander, was pastor of the Chestnut Street Methodist Church. He was knighted in St. John's Encampment, at Providence, and appeared in the Grand Encampment at Boston, October 2, 1818, as proxy for P. PECK, Grand Senior Warden. He was born in Loudon, N. H., February 25, 1781, and died at Newbury, Vt., February 12, 1853, at the age of seventy-two years. He was first stationed at Portland in 1819, and in that year delivered an address before the two Lodges on St. John the Evangelist's day, which was published. He coutinued here until June, 1821. From 1824 to 1827, he was an editor of Zion's Herald. He left one daughter, and a son named after himself, who is also a mason. He was five feet seven inches in stature, square built, but spare, with a grave countenance and mild gray eye. He was a man of unswerving integrity, charitable and forgiving to the erring, kind and sympathetic to the unfortunate, and a loving husband and father. He suffered from anti-masonic persecution after his return to Vermont in 1827, and was excluded from the Methodist pulpit in Danville, on account of his connection with the fraternity.

At the Annual Assembly at Boston, June 20, 1823, Maine Encampment was not represented.

In 1824 its returns were received. JOSEPH M. GERRISH was represented by his proxy, JACOB AMES, of Boston; and ELEAZER WYER by CHRISTOPHER BURR. ELEAZER WYER was elected Grand Sword Bearer. The fees paid were forty-five dollars. A

duplicate of the return is fortunately among the papers received from Grand Recorder CHAPMAN:

"RETURN of Maine Encampment of Knights Templars, to February 13, 1824. Joseph M. Gerrish, GC; Eleazer Wyer, G; Nelson Racklyft, CG; Rev. Thomas M. Smith, P; Samuel Fessenden, SW; Charles B. Smith, JW; Oliver S. Hartshorn, TR; William Lord, REC; Arthur Shirley, ST. B; Joseph Harrod, SB; Seth Clark, W; Nehemiah Cram, Horace Seaver, Samuel L. Raymond, Guards; John Leach, Sentinel. *Members*—James D. Hopkins, Daniel Hunt, John Wildrage, Stephen Swett, Samuel Woods, Revd. Jona. Greenleaf. Officers elected annually on the second Monday in September.

"Candidates admitted since last return made:

Names.	Red Cross.	K. T. etc.	Fees to G. E.
John Leach,	May 14, 1821.	June 11, 1821.	5.00
Oliver Pierce,	*	" 20, "	2.50
Revd. Thomas M. Smith,	Nov. 4, 1823.	Nov. 4, 1823.	† 0.00
Samuel Fessenden,	" 24, "	" 24, "	5.00
Horace Seaver,	" 24, "	" 24, "	5.00
Samuel L. Raymond,	" 24, "	" 24, "	5.00
Samuel Woods,	Dec. 29, "	Jan. 2, 1824.	5.00
Charles B. Smith,	" 29, "	" 2, "	5.00
William Lord,	*.....	" 2, "	2.50
Rev. Jona. Greenleaf,	Jan. 12, 1824.	" 12, "	† 0.00
Rev. Cyrus Cummings,	Feb. 6, "	.....	† 0.00
Rev. Samuel Rand,	" 7, "	Feb. 9, "	† 0.00
Robert P. Dunlap,	" 9, "	" 9, "	5.00
Luther Richardson,	" 10, "	" 10, "	5.00
			$45.00

*Had Red Cross before. † Clergymen."

The following letter is also on file:

"PORTLAND, January 25, 5824.

"DEAR SIR:

"At the last regular meeting of the Encampment in this town, I had the honor of being appointed a committee to communicate with you on the subject of the Installation [constitution] of the same, and also upon the best manner of acquiring that information which shall enable us to do honor to the Institution.

"Until recently the Encampment has slumbered, but now a number of respectable gentlemen have united with it, and all are now anxious to open regular communications with the Grand Encampment, pay up the dues, be installed, and brighten themselves in those sublime degrees.

"Now, sir, will you be good enough to state whether we can be installed, and when? and whether you can attend in this town for this purpose? What will be the probable expense to us?

"And what would be the additional expense of delaying you in this town, for a sufficient time to give us information upon these degrees?

"Information on these subjects would be received very gratefully by us.

"With great esteem, your friend and brother,

SAMUEL FESSENDEN.

"HENRY FOWLE, ESQ."

In 1825 NELSON RACKLYFT, Generalissimo, was represented by his proxy, NATHANIEL COFFIN. The return of this year is also on file:

"RETURN of the Maine Encampment to June 1, 1825. Samuel Fessenden, GC; Nelson Racklyft, G; Charles B. Smith, CG; Samuel Rand, P; Horace Seaver, SW; Samuel L. Raymond, JW; Oliver S. Hartshorn, TR; William Lord, REC; Arthur Shirley, ST. B; Joseph Harrod, SW. B; Seth Clark, W; Nehemiah Cram, Luther Richardson, Stephen Swett, Guards; John Leach, Sentinel. *Members*—Joseph M. Gerrish, Eleazer Wyer, James D. Hopkins, John Wildrage, Rev. Thos. M. Smith, Rev. Jonathan Greenleaf, Rev. Cyrus Cummings, Daniel Hunt, Samuel Woods, Oliver Pierce.

"Candidates admitted since last return made:

Names.	Red Cross.	K. T. etc.	Fees to G. E.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings,	March 8, 1824.	March 8, 1824.	$0.00
Rev. George D. Boardman,	Feb. 22, 1825.	" 1, 1825.	0.00
Rev. Phineas Crandal,	March 14, "	" 23, "	0.00
Rev. Asa Mead,	April 1, "	April 15, "	0.00
Rev. George W. Campbell,	" 15, "	" " "	0.00"

Being all clergymen, no fees were received or paid.

In 1826 there was no representation, and no returns were made.

In 1827, THOMAS S. BOWLES, the Commander, was represented by JOHN COOK, JR. NELSON "RATCLIFF," Generalissimo, was present, and CHARLES B. SMITH, Capt. General, was represented by NATHANIEL KNAPP.

In 1828, CHARLES B. SMITH was represented by OLIVER S. HARTSHORN. Returns were made, and the fees for 1826–7–8, $32.50, were paid. In the archives of Maine Commandery a duplicate of this return is found, which Sir PHILIP H. WINSLOW has kindly furnished through Past Grand Commander DRUMMOND.

"RETURN of the Maine Encampment of Knights Templars, Portland, from June 1, A. D. 1825, to June 1, A. D. 1828, 3 years.

M. E. Sir Thomas S. Bowles, G. C.	Sir Arthur Shirley, St. B.
Sir Nelson Racklyft, G.	" Joseph Harrod, S. B.
" Charles B. Smith, C. G.	" Eben Seaver, W.
Rev. Samuel Rand, P.	" Seth Clark, }
Sir David Burbank, S.W.	" Eleazer Wyer, } Guards.
" Horace Seaver, J.W.	" Nehemiah Cram, }
" Oliver Hartshorn, Treas.	" John Leach, Sentinel.
" William Lord, Rec.	

MEMBERS.

Sir Samuel Fessenden,	Rev. Ephraim Willey,
Joseph M. Gerrish,	Sir Daniel Hunt,
James D. Hopkins,	Samuel Woods,
John Wildrage,	Oliver Pierce,
Rev. Thomas M. Smith,	Luther Richardson,
Jona. Greenleaf,	Stephen Swett,
Cyrus Cummings,	Nath'l Coffin.
Phineas Crandall,	

Officers elected annually on the second Monday in Sept.

CANDIDATES ADMITTED SINCE LAST RETURN MADE.

Names.	Time of Receiving the Orders.		Fees to G. E.
	Red Cross.	Kts. Templars.	
Sir Nath'l Coffin,	June 10,	June 10, 1825.	5.00
Abisha Bruson,	Jan. 27,	Feb. 9, 1826.	5.00
Eben Seaver,	Mar. 15,	Mar. 29, 1826.	5.00
David Burbank,	Dec. 25, 1826.	Jan. 26, 1827.	5.00
Rev. John H. Ingraham,	Jan. 16, 1827.	Jan. 18, 1827.	0.00
Luke Whitney,	June 11, 1827.	July 3, 1827.	5.00
Henry S. Smith,	June 11, 1827.	July 3, 1827.	5.00
Asa H. Seavy,*	Feb. 11, 1828.	.....	2.50
			$32.50

"A True Copy of the Records,

"Attest,

"WILLIAM LORD, Rec."

*Name afterwards changed to Marcian Seavey.

From 1829 until 1845, the Encampment was dormant.

In 1838, the committee on delinquent Encampments reported that they had requested Maine Encampment to convene as many

members as possible, to choose at least five officers, including a Recorder, prior to that meeting, and forward their doings to the Grand Recorder forthwith, at the same time encouraging them to keep up their organization and make annual returns.

In 1840, the Grand Master reported that no satisfactory information respecting Maine Encampment had been received, and the subject was left with him.

In 1844, the Grand Recorder was ordered to write immediately to Worcester County and Maine Encampments, and request them to make returns forthwith.

In 1845, it was represented at the annual meeting at Providence by ALEXANDER H. PUTNEY, proxy for SAMUEL FESSENDEN, Grand Commander, and JAMES R. MILLIKEN, proxy for NELSON PEABODY [RACKLYFT], Captain General.

Grand Master FLINT reported that, having been requested to organize the Maine Encampment, at Portland, he had deputed Sir JOHN B. HAMMATT to visit them, who made the following report, which, having been read, was accepted:

"In accordance with the commission annexed, I visited the Maine Encampment, at Portland, and finding their records, charter and regalia all in good order, and a competent number of Sir Knights present, that they had paid all dues to the Grand Encampment up to the time of the suspension of their labors, I have, on this 17th of March, 1845, re-organized said Encampment, caused them to elect their officers, and have installed said officers and permitted them to resume their labors and continue their meetings so long as they shall conform to the Constitution and regulations of this Grand Encampment, and therefore request that they may be recognized as a regular Encampment under your jurisdiction.

"JOHN B. HAMMATT,
"*Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Mass. and R. I.*

OFFICERS ELECTED AND INSTALLED.

"Sir SAMUEL FESSENDEN,	Grand Commander.
CHARLES B. SMITH,	Generalissimo.
NELSON RACKLYFT,	Capt. General.
CYRUS CUMMINGS,	Prelate.
EBENEZER [ELEAZER] WYER,	Senior Warden.
SETH CLARK,	Junior Warden.

William Lord,	Treasurer.
Arthur Shirley,	Recorder.
Stephen Swett,	Sword Bearer.
Arthur Shirley,	Third Guard.
William Lord,	Second Guard.
Stephen Swett,	First Guard.

"Fees for 1845 paid, $80."

Samuel Fessenden was elected Grand Captain General, the only occasion on which a Maine man was ever honored with one of the representative offices in that Grand Body.

The following letter, which, after thirty-four years, was found and published in the *Liberal Freemason,* will show the state of affairs at this time:

"Portland, January 27th, 1845.

"Dear Sir:—The undersigned have the honor respectfully to inform you that a Convention of Knights Templars of Portland and vicinity, members of Maine Encampment, was holden at the Exchange, in said Portland, on the 21st inst., for the purpose of considering the subject of recognizing and reviving said Encampment in this city. That after deliberate consultation upon the subject, and reflecting with pleasure upon the flattering condition and prospects of the Masonic Lodges and Chapter here, and the manifest interest that seems to pervade our people on the subject of Freemasonry, and especially considering that we have now among us several worthy Royal Arch Masons, who have recently expressed to us a desire to be admitted to the honors of Knighthood, and declared to us their intention of offering themselves in due form as candidates for the orders as soon as the Encampment shall be ready to receive their applications, it was unanimously resolved by the Convention that it is expedient to re-organize the Maine Encampment of Knights Templars, and to make suitable preparation for conferring the several orders, contemplated by our Charter, upon such worthy candidates as may apply therefor. But inasmuch as our Encampment has, for so many years, lain dormant, from causes presumed to be well understood by the officers of the Grand Encampment, during which long period we have neglected even to keep up a proper organization by the election of officers, and consequently have failed to make any returns to the Grand Encampment, by reason of which we have also failed to receive any of their communications for several years past; it was deemed by the Convention that a just and proper respect for the authority of the Grand Encampment, under whose auspices we desire to act, required that before proceeding to perform any act as an Encampment, or even to organize anew under our charter, we should first communicate with the Grand Encampment, or some

of its officers, upon the subject; and for this purpose the undersigned were chosen a committee by the Convention.

"We, therefore, respectfully request that you will do us the favor to consult with such of the other principal officers of the Grand Encampment as it may be convenient for you to see, upon the subject of our wishes; and if there be no objection to our proceeding as proposed (and we are aware of none), to solicit in our behalf their aid and co-operation. We also desire to be furnished with the latest revised code of By-Laws of the Grand Encampment, with any other permanent regulations having reference to the obligations or duties of subordinate Encampments, and also to be informed generally whether any, and if any, what particular requirements or conditions the Grand Encampment, or its officers, may deem proper to make in reference to our commencing operation, as proposed.

"We will state here that there are about a dozen of our old members remaining in the city and vicinity, who feel an interest in reviving the operations of the Encampment, and that through our long period of suspension, our charter, records and regalia have been carefully preserved. And now, having given you a general understanding of our condition and wishes, we beg leave to state one other fact; it is this—in consequence of the long suspension of operations in our Encampment, having had no experience or practice for some twelve or fifteen years, we do not feel ourselves competent to confer the orders with that accuracy and precision which we deem it important should always be observed. We, therefore, desire that, in case no obstacle shall be interposed to our proceeding, you will do us the additional favor to recommend to us, if you can, some worthy Sir Knight well skilled in the work and lectures of the several Orders, who, for a suitable compensation, would be willing to spend a week or two with us, and set us right. Your early attention to the subject of this communication will confer on us a great favor, as we are anxious to get under way as soon as possible, in order to avail ourselves of the benefit of the long winter evenings. An answer may be addressed to either of the undersigned.

"With respectful consideration and fraternal regard, we remain your obedient servants,

CHARLES B. SMITH,
WILLIAM LORD,
A. SHIRLEY,
} *Committee.*"

In 1846, there was no representation, nor were returns made. ALEXANDER H. PUTNEY was elected Grand Warder, and the Grand Recorder was directed to request the Grand Commander of Maine Encampment to install Sir ALEXANDER H. PUTNEY as Grand Warder at its next regular meeting, and to notify the Grand

Recorder thereof. PUTNEY was the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine the following year.

In 1847, there were no representatives nor returns. The Grand Recorder was ordered to notify Maine Encampment of their delinquency for two years.

In 1848, there were no representatives nor returns. Notice was ordered to be given to Maine Encampment that if returns were not made and dues paid, the charter would be declared forfeited at the next Assembly. At the close of the proceedings, credit is given Maine Encampment for returns and fees, $12.50.

In 1849, the Grand Recorder read the following:

"PORTLAND, Oct. 24, 1848.

"SIR KNIGHT GILBERT NURSE:—After long delay, arising from the condition in which Maine Encampment was left, after the organization of nearly all the new and active members of our Encampment into a new one under the jurisdiction of the General Grand Encampment of the United States, I have the pleasure of transmitting to you our returns of work done in Maine Encampment since our last return to your Grand Encampment, by which you will perceive there is $12.50 due for work, according to your by-laws. Our present list of members consists principally of those who survived the persecution of Masonry, and some few others who reside in the country. At the separation we found ourselves destitute of funds, and have therefore been under the necessity of meeting the expenses of the Encampment by a resort to the pockets of individuals, and it is hoped, therefore, the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island will receive the $12.50 in full of our indebtedness to that body.

"At a meeting of Maine Encampment held last evening, the following preamble and resolution, after undergoing a discussion, were passed unanimously, and the Recorder directed to transmit the same to the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

"*Whereas*, The General Grand Encampment of the United States have registered the Maine Encampment, at Portland, as belonging under their jurisdiction from and after the triennial meeting of said General Grand En campment, September, 1847, therefore

"*Resolved*, That the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island be respectfully requested to grant to the Maine Encampment a discharge from the jurisdiction of said Grand Encampment, from and after that time.

"Copy of record.

"(Signed,) A. SHIRLEY, *Recorder Maine Enct.*

"Please receive the amount sent, and return me a receipt for the same.

"April 25, 1849. The foregoing letter was prepared as soon as means were furnished to pay dues to Grand Encampment, and the returns were intended to have been made at the time, and would have been, had not the Recorder been disappointed in an opportunity proffered him by a Sir Knight of Portland Encampment to convey it to you. The Recorder was partially blind when he wrote his letter, and has since become almost totally so. He asks me to make this statement, that the Grand Encampment may know where the blame of delay in making the return and paying the dues properly attaches itself. The Recorder is disqualified to perform any business in which the use of sight is necessary. The evil now existing will no doubt be remedied at the next meeting of the Maine Encampment.

"(Signed,) MARY SHIRLEY."

The committee to whom this was referred reported:

"That the General Grand Encampment of the United States, at its Triennial Assembly in September, 1847, having assumed the jurisdiction of Maine Encampment, we would recommend that the returns made, enclosing $12.50 (which accompany the above communication), be accepted in full of all indebtedness, and that Maine Encampment be released from our jurisdiction."

This was adopted, and no further mention of Templar Masonry in Portland appears on the Massachusetts records; but we find in the General Grand Encampment records that CHARLES B. SMITH represented the Commandery at Boston in 1850, and was put on the Committee on Dispensations and New Encampments. At this session St. John's Encampment, at Bangor, was chartered.

In 1852, we find Maine Encampment taking part in the formation of the Grand Encampment of Maine, and represented by CHARLES B. SMITH, who was chosen the first Grand Master of the new Grand Encampment. CHARLES B. SMITH, JOHN PURINTON, A. L. E. CLAPP and MARCIAN SEAVEY dimitted from Portland Commandery, December 9, 1851, in order to join Maine Commandery and re-organize it.

In 1853 it was represented by CHARLES B. SMITH, JOHN C. HUMPHREYS, of Brunswick, and JOHN PURINTON, of Portland. At that meeting Grand Master SMITH said in his address:

"You are aware, Sir Knights, that two of our subordinate Encampments are located in the city of Portland. Experience has shown that one only is necessary to perform all the duties required in connection with the orders in

this city. I therefore respectfully suggest the expediency, as soon as a sufficient number of duly qualified Sir Knights, in any suitable location in the State, shall become desirous of establishing an Encampment in such location, of transferring (with consent of the members thereof) the Charter of one of these Encampments from Portland to such place, upon terms highly favorable to the petitioners.

"This proposition, should it meet your approval, would probably afford sufficient inducement to the Sir Knights of some other location to avail themselves of the benefits thus tendered to them; and such an arrangement, by opening a new field of operation for the Orders, would, it is believed, be promotive of the general interests of Knighthood in this jurisdiction."

"*Voted*, That G. Master be empowered to change the location of Maine Encampment, No. I, with the consent of its present officers and members, whenever a sufficient number of Knights Templars in regular standing shall petition therefor, and he shall deem it to be for the interest and welfare of the Order."

The returns of that year show the following officers:

Charles B. Smith, GC; John C. Humphreys, G; John Purinton, CG; Marcian Seavey, P; Charles Megquier, SW; Thomas P. Tufts, JW; Joseph M. Gerrish, TR; A. L. Emerson Clapp, REC; Seth Clark, ST. B; M. F. Walker, SW. B; A. Carter, Jr., W; Isaac Davis, Sent.

In 1854, Grand Master SMITH reported that the Encampment had remained dormant during the year; that no application for its transfer had been made, though an intimation had been received that the Sir Knights in the Valley of the Kennebec had been canvassing the subject. At the close of the session a petition was received from THOMAS B. JOHNSTON and ten others, praying for a dispensation to remove the Charter and location of Maine Encampment, No. 1, to Gardiner, there to organize, and confer the Orders of Knighthood alternately in Gardiner and Richmond.

This was granted, and the Grand Master was empowered to change the location whenever the petitiouers should make a satisfactory arrangement with the present officers and members.

In 1855 the Encampment was represented by new officers, and the Portland members had mostly become unaffiliated. CHARLES B. SMITH joined Portland Commandery.

From the foregoing, it will be seen that the Orders of Knighthood were given in Portland from the very beginning of the Order

under its present organization in 1805. That in the beginning, King Darius Council conferred all three Orders, Red Cross, Temple and Malta, but that after receiving a charter of recognition, December 22, 1806, it conferred only the Red Cross Order, until created an Encampment by the charter of 1821.

As a Red Cross Council, it evidently was feeble, did but little work, was not uniformed, and did not appear in public. Undoubtedly it was kept along something as our Scottish Rite was for the first ten years of its existence.

It probably met in Washington Hall with the Chapter until 1809, when the Chapter having taken Cumberland Hall, in Market Square, it followed the Chapter there. In 1813 the Council was poor, and asked the Chapter to remit its rent. In 1818, of course, it removed to Academy Hall, where it remained until it went to Gardiner.

After starting as an Encampment, it does not appear to have prospered largely, having but few candidates, and part of the time making no returns. For sixteen years, from 1829 till 1845, it was dormant; and then it made a great effort, re-organized under command of SAMUEL FESSENDEN, uniformed, and, with Boston Encampment, escorted the Grand Lodge to Brunswick to lay the corner stone of King's Chapel, July 16, 1845. The next year, on the Fourth of July, it escorted the Grand Lodge of Maine, Mount Vernon Chapter, Portland and Ancient Land-Mark Lodges, in the grand procession which broke ground for the Atlantic & St. Lawrence Railroad. In 1847 Portland Encampment was chartered, and those uniforms went into retirement, and did not appear again until 1856, when, having fallen into the possession of Sir Knight JOHN DAIN, some of them were sold by him, were refurbished, and faithfully served in Portland Commandery until burned in the fire of 1866. Some were in possession of the Brunswick members, and in October, 1859, when Portland Commandery went there to attend the funeral of ROBERT P. DUNLAP, some of the members of Maine Commandery were clothed in quaint old uniforms, like our own, but sufficiently dissimilar in cut to show that they represented the style of 1845.

Joseph M. Gerrish, who was Commander of Maine Encampment in 1824, was born in Durham, Me., March 24, 1783, and died April 29, 1853. He was Sheriff and Jailer for some years, and then joined the firm of Wyer, Noble & Co., who did a large business in ship and stove work. From 1837 until 1850, he was half-owner of the *Advertiser*. He was Treasurer of the Grand Lodge from its organization until 1831, when he resigned. He was one of the most active and honored of our fraternity, and a wealthy and influential citizen.

Nelson Racklyft, who was Generalissimo in 1825, and Captain General in 1845, was a painter, who kept on Union Street. He was Master of Portland Lodge, High Priest of Mount Vernon Chapter, and King in the Grand Chapter. He died January 3, 1855.

Thomas S. Bowles, who was Commander in 1827, was born in Portsmouth, N. H., where he became a mathematical instrument maker. He came to Portland and kept the Elm Tavern, which stood on the corner of Temple and Federal Streets. He removed to Bath and died there July 26, 1851, aged sixty-six years. In 1845–6–7–8, he was Deputy Grand High Priest of our Grand Chapter, and was President of the Masonic Convention in Portland in 1843. He was Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of New Hampshire in 1821, having been quite prominent there before coming here.

Charles B. Smith, Commander in 1828 and afterwards, was a druggist in Portland, and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge for many years. He was born in Bridgton in 1790, made a mason there, joined Ancient Land-Mark Lodge in 1818, received the Chapter degrees in Mount Vernon Chapter in 1819, the Orders of Knighthood in 1824, and was almost constantly an officer in Subordinate and Grand Bodies so long as he lived. He was Grand Commander in 1852–3–4. He died August 1, 1862, aged seventy-two years, and was buried in the Western Cemetery by Atlantic Lodge, escorted by Portland Commandery.

Samuel Fessenden, Commander in 1825, 1845 and 1846, was

a lawyer of distinguished ability, the friend and compeer of SIMON GREENLEAF. He was born at Fryeburg, 1774, graduated at Dartmouth in 1806, was admitted to the Cumberland Bar while residing at New Gloucester, in 1809, and died at Portland, March 19, 1869, aged eighty-five years. He was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maine, and was Representative and Senator in the Maine and Massachusetts Legislatures. His greatest fame came as the leader of the anti-slavery party in this State, and his distinguished son, Senator FESSENDEN, as leader of the Republican party, succeeded him.

ALEXANDER H. PUTNEY was a hatter. He was Grand Master in 1847–8, and removed to California, where he died.

JOHN C. HUMPHREYS, who was Generalissimo of Maine Encampment in 1853–4, was a resident of Brunswick. He was Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and an old and prominent mason. He died June 18, 1865, aged sixty-seven years.

ARTHUR SHIRLEY, the venerable Recorder, was a printer, and published many of the early proceedings of our Grand Bodies. He was initiated in Portland Lodge in 1804, and was its Treasurer from 1820 to 1849. He received the Capitular degrees in Mount Vernon Chapter in 1811, and was Secretary of the Grand Chapter nineteen years, retiring in 1849. He was a strong radical, and a vigorous supporter of the temperance movement. In his old age he became blind, as will be seen by his daughter's letter. He died January 21, 1864.

ELEAZER WYER, who was one of the representative officers in 1824, and was Senior Warden in 1845, at the re-organization, was at the head of the leading firm of stove-founders. He was High Priest of Mount Vernon Chapter, and a very active mason, but generally avoided the presiding offices. He was born in Charlestown, Mass., in 1785, and died February 29, 1848, aged sixty-three years.

SETH CLARK, who was Warder in 1824 and Junior Warden at the revival in 1845, was a tailor, and kept where the Merchants' Bank now stands on Exchange Street. His shop was a resort for

scores of the old townsmen, including many of the leading masons, such as OLIVER BRAY, WOODBURY STORER, SAMUEL FESSENDEN, JAMES D. HOPKINS, HENRY H. BOODY and JOSEPH HARROD, and was a point where much fun and practical joking centred. He was born in Williamsburg, Mass., January 14, 1783, and came to Portland in 1804. He was not fond of office, but was active in masonic good work, and much respected and beloved by his companions. He died in 1871.

WILLIAM LORD, the Treasurer and Second Guard in 1845, was City Treasurer, and was Treasurer of Portland Lodge from 1805 to 1820; Treasurer of Mount Vernon Chapter from 1811 to 1816, and Secretary of the Grand Lodge from its organization in 1820 until it moved to Augusta in 1832. He was initiated in Portland Lodge in 1802, and died September 11, 1854.

JOHN WILDRAGE, a charter member of Maine Encampment, was born in Portland, March 6, 1772, in a house on Middle Street, which stood where Marrett, Bailey & Co.'s carpet store now stands. He was a master-mariner, and took the Blue Lodge and Chapter degrees, and Orders of Knighthood, all in Boyne Lodge, No. 156, Kinsale, Ireland, May 1, 1794. His three diplomas are preserved by his grand-nephew, GEORGE W. DEERING. He died in Portland, April 23, 1831.

SAMUEL RAND, who received the Orders in 1824, with ROBERT P. DUNLAP and the Rev. CYRUS CUMMINGS, was a Freewill Baptist clergyman, who preached twenty years in Portland, during which time he is said to have baptized three hundred and twenty-five persons. Casco Street Church was built for him, and he was one of the ablest preachers of his denomination. He was born in Chester, N. H., September 17, 1784, and died in Portland, October 10, 1830, aged forty-six. He lived in a house which he built on Spring Street, near Winter Street, which is now occupied by his son, SUMNER C. RAND, who is an active mason. He married Miss LEFEVER, of Salem, Mass., and they had five children. He was Prelate of Maine Encampment in 1825–6–7–8.

SAMUEL L. RAYMOND, who was Junior Warden of Maine En-

campment in 1825, was a brickmaker, and a member of Ancient Land-Mark Lodge. He died in Cuba, where he had a large brick manufactory, and was supposed to have been poisoned.

Joseph Harrod, Sword Bearer of Maine Encampment from 1824 to 1828, was a merchant, and kept on the East corner of Middle and Exchange Streets. He removed to New Orleans in 1827, and continued in business there until 1854, when he retired to Barrytown, on the Hudson, where he died in October, 1876, aged ninety-six years.

Jonathan Greenleaf, who received the Orders in Maine Encampment, Jan. 12, 1824, died in Brooklyn, N. Y., in April, 1865, aged seventy-nine years. He was a charter member of the Grand Chapter. A clergyman by profession, he was one of the "silver-tongued" Greenleaf family of New Gloucester. He was born in Newburyport, Mass., Sept. 4, 1785, and went to New Gloucester in 1790, with his father, Moses Greenleaf, who was a Captain in the Revolutionary Army, and had presided over an Army Lodge in which Washington had sat as one of the craftsmen.

Chapter III.

PORTLAND ENCAMPMENT.

Two causes seem to have operated to induce the Portland Templars to organize a new Encampment in Portland when one already existed. The first was a desire to form a Grand Encampment in Maine, which was accomplished in 1852, St. John's Encampment having been organized in Bangor in 1850. The second was the difficulty of supporting Maine Encampment, which was obliged to pay five dollars to the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts for each candidate who received the Orders, while the General Grand Encampment demanded but two dollars. These two causes seem insufficient to entirely account for the transaction, but the four original members who survive remember no other motive than the desire to form a Grand Encampment.

In the proceedings of the General Grand Encampment it is recorded that at the tenth triennial session held at Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 14, 1847, Deputy Grand Master Joseph K. Stapleton reported that since the triennial session in 1844 he had issued dispensations for five new Encampments, among them one to Portland Encampment, No. 2, at Portland, Me., and a charter was ordered to be issued.

The dispensation read as follows:

DISPENSATION.

To all whom it may concern, greeting:

Whereas, a petition of sundry Knights Templars in or near the city of Portland, in the State of Maine, praying that a dispensation may be granted them to open and hold an Encampment of Knights Templars, and Councils of the Appendant Orders, at the city of Portland aforesaid, has been pre-

sented to me for consideration. And, whereas, it appears to me that the prayer of the petitioners ought to be granted:

Now, Know Ye, That I, JOSEPH K. STAPLETON, Deputy General Grand Master of the General Grand Encampment of Knights Templars for the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested, do grant this my dispensation to CHARLES B. SMITH, JAMES C. CHURCHILL, NELSON RACKLYFT, ALEXANDER H. PUTNEY, FREEMAN BRADFORD, CHARLES FOBES, MARCIAN SEAVEY, J. B. COYLE, J. R. MILLIKEN, MOSES CLARK and CYRUS CUMMINGS, the petitioners aforesaid, and to their associates and successors; and empower them to open and hold an Encampment of Knights Templars, and Councils of the Appendant Orders, at the place aforesaid, to be called and distinguished by the name of Portland Encampment, No. 2, and in each of the several Orders, to confer the respective degree thereof, upon such person or persons, possessing the requisite qualifications, as they may think proper.

And I do, by these presents, appoint Sir CHARLES B. SMITH, as Grand Commander, Sir JAMES C. CHURCHILL, as Generalissimo, and Sir NELSON RACKLYFT, as Captain General, with continuance of said powers and privileges, until the second Tuesday of September next, and no longer, Provided, that they pay due respect to our said Grand Encampment, and to the Constitution and Edicts thereof, and in no way remove the Ancient Landmarks of our Order: Otherwise, this dispensation, and all things therein contained, to be void and of no effect.

Given under my hand and seal, at the City of Baltimore, this thirtieth day of April, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and forty-seven.

JOSEPH K. STAPLETON. [SEAL.]

By virtue of this dispensation, the first meeting was held at Masons' Hall, in the Old Academy building on Congress Street, Monday evening, May 10, 1847, when the subordinate offices were filled by election, and the organization was completed as follows:

CHARLES B. SMITH, Commander; JAMES C. CHURCHILL, Gen.; NELSON RACKLYFT, Capt. Gen.; Rev. CYRUS CUMMINGS, Prelate; ALEXANDER H. PUTNEY, Senior Warden; FREEMAN BRADFORD, Junior Warden; HENRY H. BOODY, Treas.; MARCIAN SEAVEY, Rec.; JAMES R. MILLIKEN, Standard Bearer; MOSES CLARK, Sword Bearer; WILLIAM KIMBALL, Warder; CHAS. FOBES, Capt. G.; JOHN B. COYLE, Capt. G.; ISAAC DAVIS, Sent. and Comy.

FREEMAN BRADFORD, ALEXANDER H. PUTNEY and WILLIAM KIMBALL were directed to prepare a code of by-laws.

The first work was done May 25th, when JOHN DAIN received the Order of the Red Cross. At that same meeting, the by-laws were presented and accepted.

On August 16th, FREEMAN BRADFORD, who was then Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, was directed to lay the petition for a charter before the General Grand Encampment, and it was voted to pay one-half his expenses in attending the meeting.

At a meeting held September 27th, Sir Knight BRADFORD made an interesting report of his visit to the meetings of the General Grand Chapter and General Grand Encampment, and presented the charter.

CHARTER.

The General Grand Encampment of the United States of America, to whom it may concern, Greeting:

Whereas, heretofore, to wit: on the 30th day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven, a dispensation was granted to certain Sir Knights to open and hold an *Encampment of Knights Templars* and the appendant Orders in the city of Portland, in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine, by the name of Portland Encampment, No. 2:

And Whereas application has been made to this GENERAL GRAND ENCAMPMENT for a perpetual *Charter* or *Warrant* to enable them to continue in all the rights and privileges of a regularly constituted Encampment, and a copy of their By-Laws and of the minutes of their proceedings having been submitted for Our inspection and approval, and no cause adverse to the granting the prayer of said applicants to US appearing:

Now Know Ye, That *we,* THE GENERAL GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, reposing special confidence and trust in the fidelity, zeal and masonic ability of the officers and members of the said Encampment, and for the purpose of diffusing the benefits of the Order, and promoting the happiness of man, by virtue of the power in US vested, DO, BY THESE PRESENTS, recognize said ENCAMPMENT, as regularly Constituted and Established under the jurisdiction of this General Grand Encampment, with full and adequate powers to confer the several Degrees of *Knights of the Red Cross, Knights Templars,* and *Knights of Malta,* upon such person or persons, possessing the requisite qualifications, as they may think proper.

And WE do also recognize the present Officers and Members of the said Encampment, with continuance of the said powers and privileges, to them and their successors forever. *Provided, Nevertheless,* That the said Officers and Members, and their successors, pay due respect to Our said General Grand Encampment, and to the Constitution and Edicts thereof, and in no way remove the ancient Land-Marks of Our Order. Otherwise this Charter, and all things therein contained, to be void and of no effect.

Given at the City of Columbus, in the State of Ohio, this 18th day of Sep-

tember, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven; and of our Order seven hundred and twenty-nine.

W. B. HUBBARD, *G. G Master.*
JOS. K. STAPLETON, *D. G. G. Master.*
WM. H. ELLIS, *G. G. Generalissimo.*
CHAS. W. MOORE, *G. G. Capt. General.*

By order of the General Grand Encampment.

[SEAL.] CHARLES GILMAN, *G. G. Recorder.*

It was voted to accept and organize under it, and the following officers were chosen:

CHARLES B. SMITH, Com.; JAMES C. CHURCHILL Gen.; NELSON RACKLYFT, C. G.; CYRUS CUMMINGS, Prelate; ALEXANDER H. PUTNEY, S. W.; FREEMAN BRADBORD, J. W.; HENRY H. BOODY, Tr.; MARCIAN SEAVEY, Rec.

The Encampment was consecrated and the officers installed, Oct. 25th, by JOSEPH M. GERRISH, Past Commander of Maine Encampment, by virtue of a commission from Deputy General Grand Master STAPLETON.

At the December meeting, MARCIAN SEAVEY resigned his office as Recorder, and RICHARD W. KENNARD was elected in his stead.

1848. An invitation from St. Andrew's Lodge, at Portsmouth, to attend their celebration on the 24th of June, was accepted, but no further mention of it occurs.

CHARLES B. SMITH, FREEMAN BRADFORD and NELSON RACKLYFT were appointed a committee to agree upon a device for a seal, and they were ordered, at the next meeting, to procure the seal. It was engraved by ABNER LOWELL.

At the August meeting, a committee was ordered to borrow $150 to pay the outstanding debts of Portland and Maine Encampments, showing that this Commandery really controlled that charter.

At the annual meeting, Sept. 25th, the Standing Committee on accounts reported upon the joint accounts of the two Encampments, showing Portland Encampment free from debt except its liability for Maine Encampment. The officers elected were:

Charles B. Smith, G. C.	James R. Milliken, St. B.
James C. Churchill, Gen.	John Purinton, Sw. B.
Nelson Racklyft, C. G.	William Kimball, Warder.
Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	John B. Coyle, Guard.
Richard W. Kennard, Recorder.	Daniel Winslow, "
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	Jonathan Swett, "
A. H. Putney, S. W.	John Dain, Commissary.
Freeman Bradford, J. W.	Isaac Davis, Sentinel.

At this time we find the Commander, C. B. Smith, and Freeman Bradford, passing a lecture when there was no work, a custom somewhat neglected by their successors.

1849. In April, the Treasurer was directed "to ascertain the situation and collect the property of all description, regalia, &c., belonging to the Maine Encampment, and to ascertain who has paid for regalia."

The festival of St. John the Baptist was celebrated by the Grand Lodge this year with great ceremony, Benjamin B. French, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, delivering an address at the First Parish Church. A dinner was given in a pavilion on Munjoy. Freeman Bradford was Chief Marshal, and Portland Encampment led the procession. There is no mention of it in the Encampment records, but the rush of work, all before the 24th of June, indicates that it was the great subject of interest this year in this body.

On July 23d, Charles B. Smith, Freeman Bradford and Charles Fobes were appointed a committee to settle all claims between Portland and Maine Encampments; and in August the Treasurer was ordered to repay to the several members the sums advanced to procure the dispensation. Work had been good during the year, seventeen candidates had received the Orders, and they were in funds.

The annual meeting occurred September 24th, and the officers chosen were:

Charles B. Smith, G. C.	Freeman Bbadford, S.W.
Nelson Racklyft, Gen.	James R. Milliken, J.W.
William Kimball, C. G.	Charles Fobes, Treasurer.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	R. W. Kennard, Recorder.

Thomas B. Parsons, St. Bearer.	Thomas J. Sanborn, Guard.
Allen Haines, Sw. Bearer.	Jonathan Swett, "
John B. Coyle, Warder.	John Dain, Commissary.
Daniel Winslow, Capt. of Guard.	Isaac Davis, Sentinel.

They were installed October 22d, by P. C. Joseph M. Gerrish.

1850. At a special meeting February 13th, the petition for St. John's Commandery, at Bangor, was approved.

There were only four candidates this year. The annual meeting was held September 23d, at which the finance committee reported $61.20 in the treasury.

The officers chosen were:

Charles B. Smith, G. C.	Thomas B. Parsons, St. B.
William Kimball, G.	John Purinton, Sw. B.
John Russell, Jr., C. G.	Daniel Winslow, Warder.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	John B. Coyle, Capt. of Guard.
Freeman Bradford, S.W.	Thos. J. Sanborn, "
James R. Milliken, J.W.	A. E. Howell, "
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	John Dain, Commissary.
Richard W. Kennard, Recorder.	Isaac Davis, Sentinel.

They were installed October 7th, by Samuel Fessenden, P. C. of Maine Encampment.

In February, notice was received from the General Grand Encampment that the Grand Encampment of Virginia had
1851. given up its claim to independence and acknowledged the jurisdiction of the General Grand body.

At the annual meeting, Sept. 22d, the finance committee reported a surplus of $130.88 in the treasury. Six candidates had been admitted. Resolutions were adopted to invite Maine and St. John's Encampments to unite in forming a Grand Encampment for the State of Maine.

The officers elected were:

Freeman Bradford, G. C.	Charles Fobes, Treasurer.
William Kimball, Gen.	R. W. Kennard, Recorder.
John Russell, Jr., C. G.	John F. Purinton, St. B.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	William W. Sweat, Sw. B.
Thomas J. Sanborn, S. W.	Frederick W. Nichols, Warder.
Moses Dodge, J. W.	James R. Milliken, Guard.

Augustus H. Gilman, Guard.	John Dain, Commissary.
Franklin Fox, "	Isaac Davis, Sentinel.

A committee was appointed to procure two dozen aprons. These were of black cotton velvet, with skull and crossbones cut in white sheepskin, to imitate the regular uniform aprons which many lacked.

At the December meeting, petitions were received from Charles B. Smith, John Purinton, A. L. E. Clapp and Marcian Seavey, asking dimits that they might join Maine Encampment to complete its membership. Their requests were granted.

1852. At the January meeting, a set of jewels and collars were ordered from A. W. Pollard, of Boston, at the cost of $97.50.

There was but one candidate this year.

At the annual meeting, Sept. 27th, the officers chosen were:

Freeman Bradford, G. C.	John B. Coyle, Sw. B.
William Kimball, Gen.	James R. Milliken, St. B.
Thomas J. Sanborn, C. G.	W. W. Sweat, Warder.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	Daniel Winslow, Guard.
John Russell, Jr., S. W.	Thomas G. Young, "
Moses Dodge, J. W.	Jonathan Swett, "
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	John Dain, Commissary.
R. W. Kennard, Recorder.	Isaac Davis, Sentinel.

They were installed Oct. 25th, by Charles B. Smith, P. C.

Henry Hill Boody, a charter member, who received the Orders in Maine Encampment, died Jan. 12th, aged sixty-four.

1853. He was Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, and one of the most active and useful men in the Order. He was a retired trader, having accumulated a considerable property. He was buried in Evergreen Cemetery, and Ancient Land-Mark Lodge holds a fund devoted to the care and preservation of his tomb. He was Treasurer of the Commandery in 1847.

On the 24th of June the Encampment accompanied Mt. Vernon Chapter and the Lodges to Kennebunk, to help York Lodge celebrate St. John's day. The records do not actually say they went, but nine candidates were received in April, May and June, and the

Encampment paid its share towards the cost of a band, raising it by subscription.

The annual meeting fell on September 26th. The following officers were chosen:

Freeman Bradford, G. C.	James R. Milliken, St. B.
Thomas J. Sanborn, G.	A. E. Howell, Sw. B.
John C. Baker, C. G.	Stevens Smith, W.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	Edward B. Robinson, Guard.
William Andrews, S.W.	A. P. Stinson, "
Moses Dodge, J.W.	John Dain, Commissary.
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	Isaac Davis, Sentinel.
Richard W. Kennard, Recorder.	

They were installed by Charles B. Smith, now Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Maine, that body having been organized on the 5th of May, 1852, "at the Court House in Portland." Fourteen candidates had received the Orders during the year.

1854. On September 25th, the first jurisdictional edict in this State is recorded as issued by Grand Master Smith. It granted exclusive jurisdiction to each subordinate in the place of its location, and concurrent jurisdiction in all other cities or towns where no Encampment was located.

This was the annual meeting, and only three candidates had been received during the year. These were all from Gardiner, and they took the Orders in order to be able, with others who had been received the previous year, to accept the charter of Maine Encampment which was this year given to them.

The officers chosen were:

Moses Dodge, G. C.	James R. Milliken, St. B.
Thomas J. Sanborn, Gen.	Franklin Fox, Sw. B.
John C. Baker, C. G.	Andrew P. Stinson, Warder.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	A. E. Howell, Guard.
William Andrews, S. W.	David Averill, "
Stevens Smith, J. W.	E. B. Robinson, "
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	John Dain, Commissary.
Richard W. Kennard, Recorder.	Isaac Davis, Sentinel.

Charles B. Smith was re-admitted to membership, the dowager Encampment having been now comfortably settled in life.

1855. The new hall on Middle Street was completed in April, and the Encampment finished the southwest room in fresco and furnished it for a banqueting hall, at an expense of $341.41.

The annual meeting fell on Sept. 24th. Twelve candidates had been admitted during the year. The officers chosen were:

Moses Dodge, G. C.	R. W. Kennard, Recorder.
Charles B. Smith, Gen.	Franklin Fox, St. B.
Andrew P. Stinson, C. G.	Ira Berry, Warder.
Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	A. E. Howell, Guard.
Wiilliam P. Preble, Jr., S. W.	David Averill, "
Stevens Smith, J. W.	John Dain, Commissary.
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	Isaac Davis, Sentinel.

They were installed by Past Commander Freeman Bradford.

On Nov. 20th a vote is recorded which provided for the appointment of a Director to join a board consisting of one from each of the three Lodges, the Chapter, Council and Commandery, who should have entire control of the apartments and furniture, furnish everything needful, keep them warmed, lighted and cleaned, appoint and pay a superintendent, and assess the expenses equitably upon the different bodies. Freeman Bradford was appointed Director from the Encampment.

1856. In March eighteen swords and belts were purchased by the Encampment and assigned to the working members, but the Encampment reserved the ownership.

Isaac Davis, the old Sentinel, was buried May 18th, with masonic honors, from Chestnut Street Church, 230 brethren being present. He took the Orders in Maine Encampment, and became a charter member of Portland Commandery, filling the office of Sentinel from the organization until his death. He was much beloved and respected. One of his sons, Hall L. Davis, is a member of this Commandery.

The annual meeting occurred Sept. 22d. There had been nine candidates received during the year. The officers chosen were:

Moses Dodge, G. C.	Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.
Charles B. Smith, Gen.	W. P. Preble, Jr., S. W.
Andrew P. Stinson, C. G.	Stevens Smith, J. W.

CHAS. FOBES, Treasurer.
R. W. KENNARD, Recorder.
FRANKLIN FOX, St. B.
ALLEN HAINES, Sw. B.
IRA BERRY, Warder.
JOHN DAIN, Com'y and Sent.
FREEMAN BRADFORD, Guard.
JOHN C. BAKER, "
HERMANN KOTZSCHMAR, "

JOHN F. PURINTON, a son of JOHN PURINTON, died Oct. 17th, and was buried on the 21st. His age was twenty-eight. He received the orders Jan. 13, 1851, and was elected Standard Bearer the same year.

At the November meeting, IRA BERRY was appointed member of the Board of Directors on the part of the Encampment.

1857. At the January meeting the by-laws were amended, making the fees for the Orders twenty-five dollars.

During this year the Orders were given to Companions of Saco and Biddeford, and at the May meeting their petition for an Encampment at Biddeford, to be called Bradford Encampment, was approved and recommended. Four members of Portland Encampment joined them to complete their number, and dimitted after they had received some candidates, and were re-admitted at the August meeting, their affiliation fee being remitted.

The annual meeting came on September 28th. Twenty-two candidates had been created Templars during the year.

The officers chosen were:

MOSES DODGE, E. C.
WILLIAM P. PREBLE, Gen.
ANDREW P. STINSON, C. G.
Rev. CYRUS CUMMINGS, Prelate.
STEVENS SMITH, S. W.
IRA BERRY, J. W.
CHARLES FOBES, Treasurer.
RICHARD W. KENNARD, Recorder.
JOHN DAIN, St. B.
STEPHEN BERRY, Sw. B.
FRANKLIN FOX, Warder.
RUFUS STANLEY, 1st Guard.
J. AMBROSE MERRILL, 2d Guard.
H. B. BROWN, 3d Guard.
CHARLES SAMPSON, Com'y and Sent.

The title Eminent Commander, instead of Most Eminent Grand Commander, here appears for the first time, and in 1858. March following the title Portland Commandery is first found. These changes had been ordered by the General Grand Encampment in September, 1856.

In February, J. AMBROSE MERRILL was appointed Director for the remainder of the term.

At a special meeting June 15th, an invitation from the City Government to assist in laying the corner stone of the New City Building, and one from the Grand Master to escort the Grand Lodge on that occasion, were received and accepted. An invitation was extended to all Knights Templars in the State and vicinity to join this Commandery on that occasion. Meetings were held 25th, 28th, 29th, 30th, and July 1st; eleven applications received, and ten of the candidates were made Templars in season to join in the celebration, of which the record is as follows:

"MONDAY, July 5, 1858.

"By request of M. W. Grand Master HIRAM CHASE, and in accordance with a vote of the Commandery, at half-past eight o'clock A. M. Portland Commandery, No. 2, of Knights Templar, met at their Asylum, opened the Commandery, organized, and, accompanied by Cumberland Band, escorted the M. W. Grand Lodge of Maine in a city procession through many of the principal streets to the corner of Congress and Myrtle Street, where the corner stone of a new building to be erected for Municipal and County purposes was laid by the Grand Lodge with masonic ceremonies. They then escorted the Grand Lodge, City Government, Military officers, &c., to a pavilion on Munjoy Hill; returned to the Asylum, deposited their uniforms and arms, and marched to the Commercial House, where they sat down to a sumptuous dinner provided by Sir NATHAN J. DAVIS. About fifty Knights of the Commandery were present, including some of the eldest members. An hour and a half was spent sociably and pleasantly, with sentiments, speeches, music, &c., when the Knights joined hands around the table, sang 'Auld Lang Syne,' accompanied by the band, and thus closed the festivities and duties of the day."

A list of fifty-four names of those present is given. The Commandery had the right of the line accorded them by the military, and, as will be seen, escorted the military officers to the banquet. The officers of the Commandery were invited to the civic dinner, but they preferred to dine with the Commandery.

At the annual meeting, September 27th, the following officers were elected:

Moses Dodge, C.	John Dain, St. B.
W. P. Preble, Gen.	Stephen Berry, Sw. B.
Stevens Smith, C. G.	Warren Phillips, Warder.
Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	John C. Baker, Guard.
Ira Berry, S. W.	J. A. Merrill, "
H. B. Brown, J. W.	Rufus Stanley, "
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	Chas. Sampson, Sentinel, Com'y and Armorer.
Isaac C. Nesmith, Recorder.	

J. Ambrose Merrill was appointed Director.

The Committee on Accounts reported the Commandery about $150 in debt. Fifteen candidates had been received.

1859. In February, a movement was made for an excursion the coming summer, and a committee was appointed to consider the matter.

The Grand Commandery having adopted a statute making the annual elections in subordinates fall upon the stated conclave preceding Good Friday, the annual meeting this year was held March 28th. The Committee of Finance reported the Commandery $110.35 in debt, and no candidates since last election.

The officers elected were:

Moses Dodge, C.	John Dain, St. B.
Wm. P. Preble, Gen.	Stephen Berry, Sw. B.
Stevens Smith, C. G.	Warren Phillips, W.
Cyrus Cummings, Prelate.	J. A. Merrill, Guard.
H. B. Brown, S. W.	Rufus Stanley, "
J. C. Baker, J. W.	J. B. Fillebrown,"
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	Charles Sampson, Sentinel.
I. C. Nesmith, Recorder.	

In June invitations were received from the City of Gardiner and from Maine Commandery, inviting this Commandery to assist in celebrating July 4th.

It was voted to accept the invitations and to extend the visit to Bangor, provided thirty-five would agree to go. On the 18th the committee reported that the required number could not be obtained.

Sept. 12th the Commandery turned out twenty-four members, with Portland Band, to attend the funeral of its late Prelate, the

Rev. CYRUS CUMMINGS. There was a large procession of Masons and Odd Fellows, and it is recorded that the Commandery performed the services at the grave. Comp. CUMMINGS was made a Templar in Maine Encampment March 8, 1824, and was a charter member of this Commandery. He was a Methodist clergyman, and was Grand Prelate, and Prelate of this Commandery, from the organization of each body. He was also Grand Chaplain for many years in Grand Lodge and Chapter. He died Sept. 9th. Resolutions in his memory were adopted at the January meeting.

October 24th, the Commandery, thirty-two strong, accompanied by Portland Band, went to Brunswick to attend the funeral of Past Grand Master ROBERT P. DUNLAP. Grand Commander BRADFORD acted as Commander. The Commandery was the escort of a large masonic procession. A detachment of Maine Commandery acted as pall bearers. Comp. DUNLAP received the Orders in Maine Encampment Feb. 9, 1824. He was Past Grand Master, Past Grand High Priest, and Past General Grand High Priest, and the first Grand Master of our Grand Council. He was the leading mason in Maine for many years, and a prominent citizen, having been Governor of the State.

ANDREW P. STINSON, who received the Orders June 13, 1853, died March 18, 1860, of consumption. He was a clothier, and had been Master of Ancient Land-Mark Lodge. In the Commandery, he was a Guard in 1853, Warder in 1854, and Captain General in 1855–6–7.

1860.

The annual meeting fell on March 26th. There had been eight candidates during the year. The officers elected were:

MOSES DODGE, C.	JOHN DAIN, St. B.
WM. P. PREBLE, Gen.	EDMUND PHINNEY, Sw. B.
STEVENS SMITH, C. G.	STEPHEN BERRY, Warder.
HENRY C. LOVELL, Prelate.	J. A. MERRILL, Guard.
H. B. BROWN, S. W.	GEO. H. CHADWICK, "
J. B. FILLEBROWN, J. W.	M. F. KING, "
CHAS. FOBES, Treasurer.	CHAS. SAMPSON, Sentinel, Com'y and Armorer,
I. C. NESMITH, Recorder.	

At the May meeting, an excursion was voted and a committee appointed to recommend time and place.

On the afternoon of June 29th, thirty-one members turned out to a clambake and drill at Bangs' Island.

An invitation was received from the Grand Master and from the City Council of Biddeford, inviting the Commandery to participate in laying the corner stone of a new city building in that place. It was not accepted.

On July 7th, twenty-nine strong, it went to Fort Scammel for a drill and chowder.

On the 25th of June, a resolution had been offered by Commander DODGE that all members procuring new uniforms should procure the Grand Encampment regulation uniform, excepting the sword, surcoat and cloak. This came up July 23d, and was refused a passage.

The Committee on Excursion recommended that the Commandery go to Bangor in August, and WILLIAM P. PREBLE, WILLIAM W. DAVIS and MOSES DODGE were appointed a committee to make the necessary arrangements.

An elegant banner, painted by HARRY BROWN, was paid for by subscription, and presented to the Commandery at this meeting.

July 28th, there was another drill at Fort Scammell; eighteen present.



Chapter IV.

FIRST EXCURSION—ALGER'S ADDRESS—LEWISTON EXCURSION.

The first regular excursion of Portland Commandery took place Monday, August 20, 1860, when forty Knights in full uniform assembled at half-past seven o'clock in the evening. The list of these ancient pilgrim warriors may be of interest now. It certainly will be to those who were present.

1860.

*Moses Dodge, E. C.
Wm. P. Preble, Gen.
*Stevens Smith, C. G.
Henry C. Lovell, Prelate.
H. B. Brown, S. W.
J. B. Fillebrown, J. W.
Chas. Fobes, Treasurer.
*I. C. Nesmith, Recorder.
*John Dain, St. B.
Edmund Phinney, Sw. B.
Stephen Berry, Warder.
J. A. Merrill, Capt. of Guard.
Geo. H. Chadwick, "
M. F. King, "
*Charles Sampson, Sentinel.
S. J. Lord.
*F. W. Nichols.
Warren Phillips.
Rufus Stanley.
*J. Ignatius Stevens.
*Freeman Bradford, P. G. C.
John C. Baker.
*A. M. Burton.
*Jacob Chaplin.
A. L. Dennison.
Wm. W. Davis.
*James Freeman.
John Fox.
*Peter B. Frost.
A. E. Howell.
F. R. Harris.
*Isaac Ingersoll.
*Jabez M. Knight.
Samuel Kyle.
Chas. F. King.
Edmund Libby.
W. A. Pearce.
Wm. Perry, Jr.
Thomas Richardson.
H. F. Wendell, Portsmouth, N. H.

From the stars affixed, it will be seen that in the twenty years which have elapsed since then, nearly one-third of that pleasant

* Dead.

fellowship have set off on their final pilgrimage to that Holy City where the ransomed of the Lord shall come with everlasting joy.

The record says that:

"The lines were formed, and the Commandery, accompanied by the Portland Band, marched to the steamer Daniel Webster and embarked for Bangor, where it arrived in due time Tuesday morning, and was received by St. John's Commandery, Sir Wm. H. Mills, Commander, accompanied by the Bangor Cornet Band, and escorted through the principal streets of the city, stopping and partaking of refreshments at the residences of Sir Knights Mills and Silas Alden, to the Masonic Hall, which had been assigned to the Commandery as headquarters during its stay in the city.

"The Sir Knights of Portland Commandery were welcomed to the hospitalities of the city by E. Sir Knight Joseph C. Stevens. Response by E. Comr. Moses Dodge.

"The Commandery was then escorted to quarters at the Bangor House by St. John's Commandery, and dismissed till half past five o'clock."

They met at Masonic Hall at the appointed time. The Committee of Arrangements announced that they had made arrangements for the Commandery to attend the concert to be given by the Portland Band at Norumbega Hall that evening, and on Wednesday to visit Oldtown, and to attend a banquet at the Dwinal House, to be given by St. John's Commandery on their return. In the evening they attended the concert, with St. John's Commandery, all in costume.

On Wednesday the two Commanderies visited Indian Oldtown, returning in the three o'clock train in time for a banquet at the Dwinal House. This entertainment was admirable. From turtle soup to the closing cigar, the dinner was perfect, and the speeches were such as to be long remembered. Lewis Barker's story about the Brigadier Generals has become familiar, in different shapes, since that time. In the evening there was a promenade concert given by Portland Band, which was attended by the Commandery.

Thursday morning the Commanderies met at half-past nine, marched to the residence of Joseph C. Stevens, where, after refreshments, they listened to parting addresses from Sir Knights Mills, Stevens and Dodge. Portland Commandery was then escorted to the Bangor House, and afterward to the steamer M.

Sanford, where Auld Lang Syne was sung by the Knights, in unison, accompanied by the band.

After a pleasant sail down the river, Belfast was reached, and, disembarking, the Commandery was received by the City Grays, under command of Hon. THOMAS H. MARSHALL, and escorted through the principal streets of the city to the American House. Here the Commander announced that he had received a dispatch from Mrs. MOSES DODGE, inviting the Commandery to a collation at her house on its return to Portland. It was unanimously accepted. In the evening the band gave a concert at Pierce's Hall, which was attended by the Commandery.

Friday morning the Commandery marched to the steamer Daniel Webster and embarked for Portland, where they arrived at five in the afternoon. They were received by a long blue lodge procession, which escorted them to the residence of Commander DODGE, where a collation was served, and then through several streets to the Preble House. There "Sir Knight FREDERICK FOX, as president of the evening, introduced Hon. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND, Grand Master, who welcomed the Sir Knights home in an appropriate and eloquent address, which was responded to by E. Commander DODGE in his usual happy style. The Commandery then sat down with their masonic brethren to an elegant supper which had been provided by the Masonic Lodges of the city, after which, and listening to speeches from several of the brethren, the Commandery marched to the Asylum and closed in due form."

On the 27th, a vote of thanks was given to the committee who had so admirably carried out the excursion; and Sept. 3d a long series of resolutions were adopted, sent to the persons concerned, and published in the daily papers, thanking everybody whose hospitality had been enjoyed, and felicitating the Commandery upon the good effects wrought in the East by the crusade, and upon the effect of the pleasant and hopeful reminiscences on their own minds.

On the 14th of September an application was received, accepted, and all the Orders conferred, and the candidate thus sent forth never has appeared in the Commandery since.

On the 24th a committee was appointed to consider the subject of obtaining additional rooms in the adjoining block then building by JOHN C. PROCTOR. On the 26th of November they reported against the project, and it was dropped.

1861. On the evening of Feb. 21st, the Rev. Sir Knight WM. R. ALGER, of Boston, delivered before the Commandery, at City Hall, an eloquent address on Ancient and Modern Chivalry.

At the annual meeting, March 25th, the officers elected were:

MOSES DODGE, C.
WM. P. PREBLE, Gen.
STEVENS SMITH, C. G.
H. C. LOVELL, Prelate.
H. B. BROWN, S. W.
M. F. KING, J. W.
CHAS. FOBES, Treasurer.
I. C. NESMITH, Recorder.
J. B. FICKETT, St. B.
EDMUND PHINNEY, Sw. B.
STEPHEN BERRY, Warder.
J. A. MERRILL, Capt. of G.
GEO. H. CHADWICK, "
EDWARD A. BAILEY, "
CHAS. SAMPSON, Sentinel.

Thirteen candidates had received the Orders during the year.

On September 11th, the Commandery made an excursion to Lewiston, returning the next morning. The assessment was five dollars, and only twenty-five Knights attended. It was at a time of anxiety, about the time when ROSECRANZ defeated FLOYD, when Washington was daily expecting an attack, and our first regiment was back re-organizing as a two years' regiment, and nothing but the prestige of the previous year's excursion made it possible. A question of discipline which is still a mooted point in some Grand Commanderies was settled on that occasion. The Commandery declined an invitation to attend a masonic meeting. It was afterwards decided that the Commandery was under military law, and it was ordered into line. It did not go, and since that day, in Portland Commandery, the voice of the majority has always governed the action of the officers.

1862. The annual meeting fell on March 24th. The standing committee reported ninety-seven dollars in the treasury. Eight candidates had been created Knights.

The officers elected were:

Stevens Smith, C.	I. C. Nesmith, Recorder.
Harrison B. Brown, Gen.	J. B. Fickett, St. B.
Peter B. Frost, C. G.	Charles F. Thrasher, Sw. B.
Ira Berry, Prelate.	Stephen Berry, Warder.
Frederick R. Harris, S. W.	J. A. Merrill, Guard.
William W. Davis, J. W.	Thos. Richardson, "
Chas. Fobes, Treasurer.	Samuel Kyle, "

Marquis F. King was appointed member of the Board of Directors.

Chapter V.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION—EXCURSION TO LIVERMORE—RECEPTION OF REGIMENTS.

This year came the centennial of Portland Lodge, and the Commandery took an active part in the celebration, appoint-
1862. ing a committee to invite Knights of other Commanderies to join us. On the afternoon of June 18th and the evening of June 21st, the Commandery drilled on the Arsenal grounds, although the record makes no mention of it. On the 19th, also, a delegation went to Biddeford to help Bradford Commandery confer the Orders. On Monday afternoon, June 23d, the Commandery assembled with full ranks, and, with Portland Band, escorted the Grand Lodge of Maine to the Boston & Maine Depot, where the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and Boston and DeMolay Encampments were received and thence escorted to their quarters. A page is left in the record for a description of the next day's proceedings, but it is not yet filled.

The Commandery met early in the morning and received the Providence Templars at the boat, and the Portsmouth Templars at the cars, and escorted them to their places in the procession. There were 2,500 Masons in the procession, 500 of them Templars. Portland Commandery turned out seventy-five strong. Rain set in as the procession marched to the dinner, which was spread in a pavilion on Munjoy; but the array was not broken, and 2,000 sat down to the table. The entertainment was free to all masons, and the whole affair was admirably carried out.

The exercises at City Hall were very interesting, the oration being by the Rev. E. C. Bolles. In the evening a promenade concert was given at City Hall, which was crowded by the fraternity.

On July 28th, Sir Knight Ira Berry presented to the Commandery a valuable Bible, as a gift from Mrs. Mary B. Boody. The thanks of the Commandery were returned, and a suitable case was ordered for the book.

On August 4th, the Commandery turned out thirty-five strong, accompanied by the U. S. 17th Regiment Band, to attend the funeral of Past Grand Commander Charles B. Smith. [See memoir, p. 25.]

On Monday, October 13th, the Commandery took part in the reception of the famous Seventh Regiment which was sent home from Antietam on a furlough by Gen. McClellan, as a compliment to their gallantry in that battle. The parade was a fine one, but a shower wet the uniforms. The record omits all mention of the event, excepting to record a vote of thanks from the City Government.

At the November meeting a resolution was offered by the Captain General that the Commandery should, in future, attend the funerals only of Past or presiding Commanders or Grand Commanders. It was laid upon the table and never adopted.

The annual meeting fell on March 23d. The Treasurer reported a balance in the treasury of $343.27. The Recorder re-
1863. ported that seventeen meetings had been held during the year; that forty-eight Orders had been conferred on

sixteen candidates; two had been added by affiliation, and there were ninety-one members.

The officers elected were:

Stevens Smith, C.	Jerome B. Fickett, St. B.
Josiah H. Drummond, G.	Charles F. Thrasher, Sw. B.
Peter B. Frost, C. G.	Stephen Berry, Warder.
Warren Phillips, Prelate.	Gordon R. Garden, Guard.
Marquis F. King, S. W.	J. A. Merrill, "
John B. Fillebrown, J. W.	William Ross, Jr., "
Chas. Fobes, Treasurer.	Chas. Sampson, Sentinel.
Ira Berry, Recorder.	

Marquis F. King was appointed Director.

On June 8th, the Commandery attended the obsequies of Frederick W. Nichols. He was a printer, and, at the time he joined Portland Commandery, June 11, 1849, was doing a considerable job business. He died June 5, 1863, aged forty-nine years. He was a member of Ancient Land-Mark Lodge and Mount Vernon Chapter. He was Warder of the Commandery in 1851.

On June 18th, an invitation was received from Worcester County Commandery, of Worcester, Mass., inviting this Commandery to join them in celebrating St. John's day. It was declined, owing to the time being too short to make the necessary arrangements.

1864. The annual meeting fell on February 22d. Balance in treasury, $411.45; fifteen meetings; ten candidates; ninety-six members.

The officers elected were:

Wm. P. Preble, C.	Jerome B. Fickett, St. B.
Peter B. Frost, G.	Dorville Libby, Sw. B.
Marquis F. King, C. G.	Gordon R. Garden, Warder.
Wm. Atwood, Prelate.	G. M. Moulton, Guard.
Stephen Berry, S. W.	J. L. Boothby, "
Wm. Ross, Jr., J. W.	Albion Keith, "
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	Warren Phillips, Arm. and Com'y.
Ira Berry, Recorder.	

These officers were installed on Good Friday, March 25th, by

P. G. C. FREEMAN BRADFORD, in the presence of sixty Templars and about seventy-five ladies, RUFUS STANLEY acting as Marshal. After the ceremonies a collation was served.

J. A. MERRILL was appointed Director.

The Commandery voted to accept an invitation from Oriental Star Lodge to join them in celebrating St. John's day at Livermore Falls, and drill meetings were held on Bramhall Hill at 4 P. M. 22d, and at the hall on the evening of the 23d. On the 24th, the members assembled at the hall at four in the morning, with the band of the 17th U. S. Regulars, marched to the Grand Trunk depot, and took the cars for Auburn. At Auburn they left the train and marched to Lewiston, where they breakfasted at the DeWitt House. After breakfast they returned to the cars and rode to Livermore, where a procession was formed, consisting of a large number of masons—Lodges and Chapters in costume—many citizens, ladies, young people and children; which, escorted by the Commandery, marched to a grove where seats had been prepared, and other arrangements made for the services of the occasion. These consisted of music, prayer, reading from Scriptures, remarks by Past Grand Master REUEL WASHBURN, and an address by Past Grand Master JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND. After the exercises, the Commandery escorted the procession back to the village, partook of some refreshment and returned to Portland, where a collation was served at the Preble House before disbanding.

On this occasion, five members of Maine Commandery and fourteen of Dunlap joined this body, and the whole number in the ranks was sixty-five. A balance was left in the hands of the committee, after paying all expenses, amounting to $57.08, which was paid to the Board of Masonic Relief.

August 22d, the Commandery assembled with the 17th Regiment band to escort a procession of Master Masons at the funeral of Past Commander STEVENS SMITH, who died on the 20th, aged fifty-four years. The religious services were performed at the Pine Street Methodist Church, and the masonic services by Grand Master PREBLE (our Commander), at Evergreen Cemetery. Sir Knight SMITH was a brother of Past Grand Commander CHARLES

B. SMITH, was an excellent working officer, and much beloved by his brethren. He was a lumber surveyor, but at the time of his death was in the Custom House. He had been long a member of the City Government in various capacities, and was a leading Methodist.

At the August stated meeting, the by-laws were amended so that any receiving the Orders might become members by signing the by-laws within six months.

At the September meeting, resolutions to the memory of STEVENS SMITH were adopted, and a page of the record is inscribed with his services.

Dec. 26th, FREEMAN BRADFORD was elected to honorary membership.

1865. CYRIL PEARL, a Congregationalist clergyman, who took the Orders July 26, 1853, died Feb. 19, 1865, at South Freeport, aged sixty years. He was for seventeen years chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence in the Grand Lodge, and our proceedings have many eloquent tributes from his pen to the virtues of brethren who had gone before him. He labored diligently in his calling, and in the cause of Education and of humanity, and ended a life of toil in comparative poverty, but with the happy consciousness of having acted well his part. He was Grand Prelate in 1861–2–3–4.

The annual meeting fell upon March 27th. Balance in the treasury, $332.13; twenty-three meetings; twenty-two candidates; 122 members. Em. Com'r PREBLE declined being a candidate for re-election, and the following were elected:

FRANKLIN FOX, C.	HARRISON B. BROWN, S. W.
PETER B. FROST, Gen.	MARSHALL N. RICH, J. W.
STEPHEN BERRY, C. G.	CHAS. FOBES, Treasurer.
EBEN. WENTWORTH, Prelate.	IRA BERRY, Recorder.

They were installed on Good Friday, April 14th, by Em. Com'r PREBLE.

At the stated meeting in April, the following officers were appointed and installed:

Jerome B. Fickett, St. B.	Geo. E. Ross, Guard.
Dorville Libby, Sw. B.	Geo. L. Goodale, "
Samuel Kyle, Warder.	Wabren Phillips, Sent., Com'y and Armorer.
Franklin Crawford, Guard.	

On June 8th the Commandery, fifty-four strong, accompanied by the band of the 17th U. S. Infantry, joined a procession of Military, Firemen and Citizens in receiving the Seventeenth and Twentieth Regiments of Maine Volunteers, and escorted them to their quarters in City Hall. The streets were thronged with people who warmly welcomed the patriot soldiers who were returning from the wars.

June 26th, the Captain General, who had been appointed a committee on the subject of drill, reported a recommendation that drill-meetings should be held once a month, in-doors, and out-door drill during the summer months as often as convenient. The second Tuesday of each month was adopted as the drill night. This was continued for several months, but finally dropped, as it was found that the attendance was small.

At the July stated meeting, a committee reported that changes had been made in the Armory so that ninety-four uniforms could be accommodated, instead of sixty-two as heretofore. The Commandery was now growing strong.

On the afternoon of August 19th, a very pleasant excursion for drill was made to Little Hog Island, where the Commandery drilled under the direction of Capt. Ira Berry, Jr., and Col. Carroll D. Wright, both of the 14th N. H. Volunteers. A chowder was served and the company returned to the city at 6 p. m. Twenty-one members attended this. The attendance at the evening drills averaged about a dozen.

At this time an earnest invitation was sent to St. John's Commandery, of Bangor, to visit Portland, but they could not then accept it.

At the September stated meeting, the following excellent vote was passed:

Voted, That it be the duty of every Sir Knight accepting office in this Commandery to be present at every meeting, or furnish a substitute duly qualified to perform the duties of the office.

It was ordered that this should be read at every annual meeting. It has never been rescinded, and the effect has been excellent.

Sir GEORGE H. SMARDON was appointed 2d Guard, in place of Sir GEORGE E. GROSS, who had left the city.

October 14th, a meeting was held to arrange for the reception of Monroe Commandery, No. 12, of Rochester, N. Y., who were expected to arrive on the following week on their way to Boston. A Committee of Arrangements was appointed, consisting of Sir Knights WILLIAM P. PREBLE, CHARLES B. VARNEY, MARSHALL N. RICH, JAMES FREEMAN and FRED. R. HARRIS. A twelve dollar assessment was laid upon *all* the members, with the provision that any stating his inability should be excused.

CHAPTER VI.

RECEPTION OF MONROE COMMANDERY—ST. ALBAN COMMANDERY FORMED—THE GREAT FIRE.

Monroe Commandery is an old and flourishing Commandery in the city of Rochester, N. Y., chartered in 1827, when 1865. the place was a village, and having in 1865 a membership of 264. On this occasion it made a long trip through Canada and down by the Grand Trunk Railway, with but a small number of members (twenty-nine), under Sir W. B. CRANDALL, Commander.

Portland Commandery turned out forty-eight strong, and received them at the depot on Saturday afternoon, October 21st.

On Sunday, 22d, the members of Portland Commandery, in citizen's dress, escorted them to Congress Square Church where Sir Knight EDWIN C. BOLLES, the pastor, preached a discourse.

On Monday morning, 23d, the lines were formed at ten o'clock, and the two Commanderies, taking the steamer Tyro at Custom House Wharf, landed at Fort Preble, and marched thence to Cape Cottage, where a clambake, admirably prepared under the direction of that experienced Knight, Sir JAMES FREEMAN, was served in the open air. After an enjoyable day, they returned by the same route.

"In the evening a promenade concert and dance took place at City Hall, where the Templars of Portland, with their ladies, received the visitors, and the evening was passed most agreeably and happily. The presence of Sir Knights from Bath and other neighboring places, the music of Chandler's Band, and a bountiful collation, contributed to the pleasure of the occasion. Dancing was kept up until about two o'clock. This was the evening of the stated meeting of the Commandery, but no other business was attended to than the entertainment of our guests."

On Tuesday morning they were escorted to the western depot, and thence accompanied by a committee of Portland Commandery to Portsmouth, where another hospitable reception was given them.

JAMES C. CHURCHILL, a charter member, who received the Orders in Maine Encampment, died Nov. 20th, and was buried Nov. 23d, with masonic honors. He was a merchant, and later in life Treasurer of the Portland Company. In 1841 he was Mayor of the city. His residence was on Congress Street, about where the central gate of the Park now is. He was Generalissimo of Portland Commandery in 1847 and 1848, and had been Grand High Priest in the Morgan times. He was born April 24, 1787, and was consequently seventy-eight years old. His widow died February 27, 1879, at the age of eighty-seven years, six months.

On Christmas evening a petition came in, signed by Past Commander MOSES DODGE and thirty-five others, for a dispensation for a new Commandery in Portland, to be called ST. ALBAN COM-

MANDERY, with the request that it be approved by this Commandery. The recommendation was given unanimously.

1866. At a special meeting March 6th, the Order of the Red Cross was conferred upon eighteen candidates.

JOSEPH COVELL, who received the Orders in Portland Commandery, Feb. 3, 1851, died at Charlottetown, P. E. I., where he was United States Consul, March 7, 1866, aged sixty-four, having been born in Wilton, July 14, 1802. He was an old Whaling Captain, but had retired from the sea and lived upon his farm in the town of Jay, whence he came frequently to Portland, where his brother HIRAM resided. He took a great interest in masonry, and an active part in the work of the Grand Bodies. In the Grand Lodge he was Past Junior Grand Warden and one of the Trustees. He had presided over King Hiram Chapter, at Lewiston, and was a member of the Order of High Priesthood. To his persevering labors are we indebted for the policy of our Grand Bodies in causing masonic history to be preserved, and a part of his own valuable library came into the possession of the Grand Lodge, at his death. He was of a most amiable disposition, and universally beloved and respected by the craft.

The annual meeting fell on March 26th. The balance in the treasury was reported at $532.11. The Order of Red Cross had been conferred upon thirty-five candidates, and the Temple upon twenty-five. There were 131 members.

The officers chosen were:

FRANKLIN FOX, C.	DANIEL W. MILLER, Sw. B.
STEPHEN BERRY, Gen.	SAMUEL KYLE, Warder.
HARRISON B. BROWN, C. G.	WM. E. SHORT, JR., Guard.
JOHN B. FILLEBROWN, Prelate.	GEO. A. HEAD, "
MARSHALL N. RICH, S. W.	ALBION KEITH, "
ORRIN S. FOGG, J. W.	WARREN PHILLIPS, Sentinel.
CHARLES FOBES, Treasurer.	WM. W. DAVIS, Armorer.
IRA BERRY, Recorder.	NATHAN J. DAVIS, Commissary.
JEROME B. FICKETT, St. B.	EDWD. B. ROBINSON, Organist.

They were installed on Good Friday, by Grand Commander MURRAY. After the ceremony, Sir Knight FILLEBROWN, on be-

half of the members, presented Eminent Commander Fox with a Sword and Belt.

William G. Davis was appointed on the Board of Directors.

At a special meeting, April 27th, Grand Commander Timothy J. Murray visited the Commandery officially, on which occasion he was presented with a Grand Commander's jewel, Sir Knight Fillebrown making the presentation on behalf of the members "with remarks expressive of the sense cherished by them of his services to the Order, and their esteem for him as a man and Brother."

"The Grand Commander responded, expressing his gratification at receiving this testimonial of esteem, and assuring the Sir Knights that his wishes and efforts would ever be, as they ever had been, for the prosperity of the Commandery and its members."

At the May meeting a communication was received from the Secretary of a masonic convention, saying that the convention had voted to instruct the Board of Directors to hire the third story (beneath the apartments then occupied), at the rate of $300 per year. The Commandery ratified the action of the convention. A committee was also appointed to admit St. Alban Commandery to a joint ownership in the working furniture and fixtures.

On May 2d, St. Alban Commandery was constituted under its charter, whereby the membership of the following Sir Knights in Portland Commandery was terminated:

Moses Dodge,	John W. Perkins,	Sylvan Shurtleff,
Wm. P. Preble,	Daniel W. True,	Edmund Phinney,
Josiah H. Drummond,	Franklin Crawford,	Ebenezer Wentworth,
Marquis F. King,	Samuel A. True,	A. L. Dennison,
Rufus Stanley,	William H. Smith,	William Atwood,
Chas. M. Rice,	Thomas F. Lamb,	Gordon R. Garden,
Warren Phillips,	Edmund Libby,	James Freeman,
J. A. Merrill,	Jefferson C. Coolidge,	William Ross, Jr.,
Warren P. Chase,	Chas. E. Humphrey,	John J. Liscomb,
	Charles Sampson.	

At the June stated meeting, the Director reported that the cost of fitting the new apartments would not exceed $2,400, and he was ordered to proceed.

JOHN PURINTON, who was Captain General of Maine Encampment in 1852–3–4, although he received the Orders in Portland Commandery, died May 29, 1866, aged seventy-eight years, seven months. He was a merchant in Portland from 1815 to 1865, a respected citizen and a most devoted and diligent mason, being one of the faithful through the "dark days."

On July 4th came the GREAT FIRE, which destroyed the Hall, furniture, jewels, banner, arms, uniform, and everything but the charter. As the lower part of the city was in ruins, the Commandery held its first meeting after the catastrophe at STEPHEN BERRY'S printing office, on Fore Street at the foot of Exchange Street. Nine members were present, and a committee was raised to confer with a committee of St. Alban Commandery in relation to procuring Furniture and Apparatus necessary for the work.

The committee on admitting St. Alban Commandery to joint ownership in working furniture, etc., reported that the property in question having been burned, there was nothing for them to do; and they were discharged.

The next meeting was held at Congress Hall, in Clapp's Block, at which time $100 was voted to the wife of the Recorder, who had saved the records at the expense of her own wardrobe. Committees were also appointed to procure new jewels and swords.

The September meeting was held in Mechanics' Hall, corner of Congress and Casco Streets.

The insurance on uniforms realized twenty dollars for each uniform lost.

At the December meeting resolutions were adopted for the organization of a Board of Masonic Trustees, and WILLIAM G. DAVIS was elected on the part of Portland Commandery.

1867. The annual meeting fell on March 25th, at which time resolutions were adopted in memory of WILLIAM PORTER CHASE, who died February 6, 1867, in Matanzas, at the age of thirty-three. Sir Knight CHASE was an importing merchant, much esteemed as a friend and citizen. He left a wife and two children.

There was a balance of $148.45 in the treasury. The receipts had been large, as there had been thirty candidates, but the expenses of refitting had been heavy. The insurance ($1050) had been mostly expended ($897) in obtaining fatigue uniforms for the members. Thirty-six had signed the by-laws, twenty-eight had dimitted to join the new Commandery, and three had died. The large loss of members was therefore nearly made up, and the membership stood at 123, where it was in 1865.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Franklin Fox, C.	Ira Berry, Jr., S. W.
Stephen Berry, Gen.	Orrin S. Fogg, J. W.
Geo. A. Head, C. G.	Charles Fobes, Treasurer.
Thomas M. Giveen, Prelate.	Ira Berry, Recorder.

They were installed on Good Friday, by Grand Commander Moses Dodge, together with the

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Geo. W. Parker, St. B.	Edw. B. Robinson, Organist.
Albion Keith, Sw. B.	George P. Gross, Guard.
Wm. A. Barker, Warder.	John C. Small, "
Wm. W. Davis, Armorer.	Joseph Y. Hodsdon, "
Nathan J. Davis, Commissary.	Warren Phillips, Sentinel.

Past Grand Commander Murray officiated as Grand Marshal, and at the close of the meeting the Knights united in singing "Auld Lang Syne."

At the April meeting, a permanent assessment of five dollars a year was voted, and in July the fee for the Orders was raised from $35 to $50, viz: Deposit $15, Red Cross $20, Temple $15.



Chapter VII.

THE BOSTON EXCURSION—GORHAM EXCURSION—LAYING CORNER STONES OF CUSTOM HOUSE AND POST OFFICE.

The dedication of the new Masonic Temple in Boston was fixed for St. John's day, June 24th. At a meeting May 10th, 1867. a committee was appointed to go to Boston and see if suitable accommodations could be procured. On May 14th the committee reported that quarters could be obtained at the American house, and the Commandery voted to go. An able committee (Wm. G. Davis, Payson Tucker, Geo. A. Head, Orrin S. Fogg and Daniel W. Miller) was appointed to make arrangements, and a lively interest was at once aroused.

June 7th, the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts was notified of the coming of the Commandery.

At a special meeting, June 11th, four candidates received the Orders of Temple and Malta, Seth C. Gordon, Robert G. Jewett, Frank G. Stevens and Leander W. Fobes. It is a rather remarkable coincidence that three of these have since been Commanders of this body.

As the 24th came on Monday, it was necessary to go to Boston on Sunday. Consequently, the Commandery met on Sunday afternoon, eighty-four strong, seventy-three being members, and eleven members of St. Alban, including Grand Commander Dodge, who was a guest. This is the largest number ever yet secured in the ranks. They were accompanied by Portland Band, which had been re-organized by Chandler and the old members who had returned from the army, and was again in admirable condition.

They arrived at their quarters at the American House at nine in the evening.

On St. John's day the lines were formed at eight in the morning, and the Commandery was soon taken in charge by Hugh de Payens Commandery, of Melrose, and escorted to its place in line. There were four Commanderies from this State: Maine Commandery, 46 Knights; Portland Commandery, 84 Knights; Trinity Commandery, 50 Knights, and Claremont Commandery, 45 Knights, all of whom formed a battalion under Grand Commander DODGE. The record says:

"The procession moved at eleven o'clock, and marched through many of the principal streets—the entire route being some seven or eight miles in length—some persons who were familiar with the city said not less than nine. The streets, for the whole distance, were densely packed with people, leaving barely room for the procession to pass. The windows of houses and stores were thronged, up to the third story, and in some cases higher. The populace were remarkably quiet and orderly. Many tasteful and costly decorations were displayed along the route. Liberal supplies of water, lemonade and other beverages were provided and distributed to the procession—a refreshment exceedingly grateful, as the weather was very warm. The route of the procession being finished, the several Commanderies marched to the Common, where they were reviewed by the R. E. Grand Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, accompanied by a 'Staff' of distinguished Knights Templar; and some time was spent in drilling and performing military evolution. The display was very fine. About thirty Commanderies were present, numbering in all, probably not less than fifteen hundred Templars, dressed in the rich costume of the Order, with many handsome banners, and good bands of music."

The Reviewing Officer, proper, was R. E. WILLIAM S. GARDNER, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was accompanied by Past Grand Master BENJAMIN B. FRENCH. The evolutions were simply those of a regular review. The record continues:

"After the parade, the Commandery marched to their quarters and took *dinner*—having been under arms from eight o'clock in the morning until nearly seven in the evening, without refreshment, save quenching thirst while on the march, as above mentioned."

In the "Dedication Memorial" the Portland Commandery banner is thus given, the description having been furnished by the Generalissimo:

"BANNER.—Tripartite. *Obverse:* Black silk velvet. Design: Passion Cross, with motto, "In hoc signo vinces," supported by two pennants, one white, with Cross of Malta upon it, the other black and white. Beneath the Passion Cross an Eight-pointed golden Star, with an Eight-pointed Cross in centre on silver ground, and a Seven-pointed Star with azure ground, with the motto, "Magna est Veritas et prevalebit," also the inscription, Portland Commandery.

"*Reverse:* White satin, black velvet border. Design: View of Jerusalem, lighted from above by Cross and Crown of Thorns, with motto: 'Be thou faithful unto death,' surmounted by Maltese Cross with red Triangle containing white Patriarchal Cross in centre. Below, a Red Cross, Shield, and Helmet, Arms, Crook and Pennants, with date of organization. A deep gold fringe and tassels compose the trimmings. This beautiful banner was painted by Sir Knight HARRISON B. BROWN."

The record continues:

"The next day the Commandery returned to Portland on a special train—stopping at South Berwick long enough to partake of an excellent collation which they found awaiting them—and reached Portland at six o'clock P. M. They were received by St. Alban Commandery and escorted to the Hall, where a collation had been prepared; and after a reasonable time spent in social and festive enjoyment, the Sir Knights separated."

On this occasion, besides the presence of so large a portion of the resident members, every officer filled his own place.

At the July meeting, the Commander "spoke of the excursion as having been highly satisfactory, owing in a great measure to the care and judgment exercised by the committee of arrangements," and Sir WILLIAM G. DAVIS stated that all the expenses had been paid, leaving a balance in the hands of the committee. A vote of thanks was also tendered to the railroad authorities, some of whom were members of this body.

On August 30th, the Commandery made an

EXCURSION TO GORHAM,

sixty strong, with Portland Band, and Grand Commander DODGE, to escort the Grand Lodge, which was to lay the corner stone of a free High School.

Grand Master TIMOTHY J. MURRAY performed the ceremony, after which Harmony Lodge entertained the Grand Lodge and

the Commandery with a collation at the Hotel. The excursion train returned at 7:30, the Commandery escorting the Grand Commander to his residence before returning to the Armory.

At the September meeting, a letter was received from the Grand Commander of Massachusetts, thanking the Commandery for attending the Dedication.

October 16th, the Commandery respectfully declined an invitation from the City Government to join in the reception of Gen. SHERIDAN on the 25th.

It was announced that the new hall would be ready for dedication about the fifth of November, and WILLIAM G. DAVIS, our Trustee, was appointed a member of the joint committee of arrangements on the part of this Commandery. On the day proposed the halls were dedicated in ample form by Grand Master MURRAY. The special expense of fitting up the Armory was $2,207.19, half of which was paid by this Commandery. This room was 21×38 feet in size, opening out from the Tyler's room, and occupying what is now the East of Corinthian hall. It was handsomely frescoed and finished in black walnut, with stalls for the uniforms.

1868. The annual meeting fell on March 23d. The Commandery was about $700 dollars in debt after paying for the new Armory. There had been nineteen candidates, and the membership stood at 138. The officers chosen were:

STEPHEN BERRY, C.	IRA BERRY, JR., S. W.
GEO. A. HEAD, Gen.	EDWARD C. SWETT, J. W.
SETH C. GORDON, C. G.	CHAS. FORES, Treasurer.
THOMAS M. GIVEEN, Prelate.	MARSHALL N. RICH, Recorder.

Votes of thanks were extended to the retiring Commander and Recorder.

The officers were installed on Good Friday, April 10th, by Grand Commander DODGE, assisted by Deputy Grand Commander LARRABEE, who made his official visit on this occasion, and who officiated as Grand Marshal. Portland Band gave some fine music from Handel, and many ladies were present. The ceremonies terminated with a banquet.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Frank G. Stevens, St. B.	John C. Small, Guard.
Albion Keith, Sw. B.	Joseph Y. Hodsdon, "
Wm. A. Barker, Warder.	Edward B. Robinson, Organist.
Geo. P. Gross, Guard.	William W. Davis, Armorer.

William Kimball died March 24, 1868, aged seventy-two years. He was born in Bradford, Mass., March 12, 1796. He received the Orders in Maine Encampment, and became a charter member of Portland Commandery. In 1847 and 1848 he was Warder, in 1849 he was Captain General, and in 1850–1–2 he was Generalissimo. He was one of the founders of the Portland Steam Packet Company, and left a large fortune. He lived on Cumberland, corner of Chapel Street.

At the stated meeting in April, an amendment to the by-laws was adopted changing the annual election to December. This was in consequence of the Grand Commandery repealing the statute of 1857, requiring elections to occur at the stated conclave preceding Good Friday. That regulation was a mere notion of a committee on statutes, yet it stood ten years, to the manifest inconvenience of all the Commanderies.

An invitation was received from the Grand Commander inviting this Commandery to join in escorting the Grand Lodge on the occasion of laying the corner stones of the new Custom House and the new Post Office, on the sixth of May, which was accepted. On that day both Portland and St. Alban Commanderies turned out, accompanied by Portland Band. The Grand Lodge was received at City Hall at ten o'clock. The day was showery, and the Commanderies got dismissed as soon as possible, barely escaping a wetting.

At the May meeting an invitation to celebrate St. John's day at Springfield, Mass., was declined.

At the June meeting, a committee was appointed to make arrangements to receive and entertain Boston Encampment on its passage through the city early in July. Arrangements were made to give them an escort and a breakfast, but the excursion was given up.

CHAPTER VIII

THE SKOWHEGAN EXCURSION—RECEPTION OF HUGH DE PAYENS ENCAMPMENT—FIRST FIELD ENCAMPMENT—BANGOR DEDICATION AND REVIEW—RECEPTION OF ST. PAUL'S.

1868. The fraternity at Skowhegan had a new hall to dedicate on August 26th. A general invitation to the craft was given, and a very particular one to this Commandery, which was accepted, and Sir Knights ALBION KEITH, FRED. R. HARRIS and S. C. GORDON were appointed a committee of arrangements. An urgent invitation was also sent to St. John's Commandery, of Bangor, to meet us there and to return by way of Portland, but this they found it impracticable to accept. On the appointed day the Commandery assembled at half-past seven in the morning, started for the depot at eight, there receiving Grand Commander DODGE as their guest, and reached Skowhegan at two P. M. Maine and Trinity Commanderies were there, and De Molay Commandery, of Skowhegan, made its first appearance. Somerset Chapter, with Kennebec, Bethlehem, Lebanon, Northern Star, Temple and Somerset Lodges, joined the procession, which was then the largest masonic procession ever assembled in Maine, except at the Centennial. Grand Master MURRAY performed the services of dedication, after which an elegant collation was served in Coburn Hall. In the evening an address was delivered by the Rev. Bro. BOLLES, which was followed by a promenade concert. Portland Commandery returned home on the morning of the 27th, the other Commanderies having gone the preceding evening. The expense of this excursion was $582.87. Six hundred dollars was collected, and the balance paid into the treasury. Sixty Knights attended, with Portland Band.

On November 23d, EDMUND PHINNEY and DANIEL W. TRUE returned to their first love, having dimitted from St. Alban Commandery, which they joined as charter members.

The annual meeting fell on the 28th of December. The Commandery was still in debt about $350. There had been twelve candidates, and the membership was now 145.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

STEPHEN BERRY, C.	FRANK G. STEVENS, J. W.
GEORGE A. HEAD, Gen.	CHARLES FOBES, Treasurer.
S. C. GORDON, C. G.	LEANDER W. FOBES, Recorder.
FRANK E. ALLEN, Prelate.	WILLIAM G. DAVIS, Trustee for two years.
EDWARD C. SWETT, S. W.	

1869. These officers were installed January 25th, by Grand Commander DODGE, together with the

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

C. B. ABBOTT, St. B.	JOHN C. SMALL, Guard.
ALBION KEITH, Sw. B.	JOSEPH Y. HODSDON, "
GEORGE B. GROSS, Warder.	DANIEL F. EMERY, JR.,"

JABEZ TRUE, who took the Orders in Portland Commandery, May 2, 1849, for the purpose of organizing St. John Commandery, died in Portland, April 5th, aged seventy-one years, having been born in Poland, November 22, 1797. He represented Poland in the Legislature from 1826 to 1828; removed to Moosehead Lake in 1829, commencing the settlement of the present town of Shirley; married in 1833 and removed to Bangor, where he was an active merchant for ten years; was appointed Sheriff of Penobscot County in 1833, which office he held eight years; was State Senator in 1859–60, and was paymaster in the army 1861–3. He was Grand Master in 1856, Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Commandery in 1852, Grand Junior Warden 1853–6, Grand Senior Warden 1857–61, and Grand Captain General in 1862. A fine photograph of him hangs in our hall.

RECEPTION OF HUGH DE PAYENS ENCAMPMENT.

At the June meeting it was announced that our old friends, Hugh de Payens Encampment, of Melrose, Mass., would pass

through Portland, July 19th, on a tour through Maine, and Sir Knights CHARLES W. BELKNAP, WILLIAM G. DAVIS, EDWARD C. SWETT, FRANK G. STEVENS and GEORGE W. PARKER were appointed a committee to make arrangements for receiving them.

On June 19th the Commandery assembled at thirty minutes after noon, with full ranks, accompanied by Portland Band, and marched to State Street, where Hugh de Payens Encampment, 120 strong, accompanied by Gilmore's Band, was received and escorted to Union Wharf, where they embarked on board the steamer Ella and sailed for Little Chebeague Island. Grand Commander MCLELLAN and Past Grand Commander DODGE were present, as guests of Portland Commandery. The weather was lovely, and the sail down the harbor was much enjoyed by the guests. Arrived at the island, a clambake was served, which was followed by cigars, and story-telling from Sir Knights IRA BERRY, BARNABEE, Farmer ALLEN, Captain General WAITE and other happy *reconteurs*. A photographic view of the two Commanderies was taken, as they grouped in front of the hotel. At five o'clock the company returned to the city, when the lines were formed, and the procession marched through Exchange, Middle, Free, Congress, State, Danforth, Clark, Spring, Western Promenade, Vaughan, Brackett, Spring, Park, Congress, State, Deering, High, Congress, Elm, Cumberland, Pearl and Congress Streets to the Preble House, halting at several places along the route where friends had kindly provided refreshments. At the Preble House a banquet was served to 250. At 9:30 the Melrose guests were escorted to the Bangor boat, where a friendly parting took place. Portland Commandery then embarked on board the steamer Ella, where a large party of ladies was already assembled, and accompanied the City of Richmond down the harbor as far as Portland Light, under a beautiful moonlight, the two bands alternately playing fine selections of music. At that point the steamers separated, with mutual cheers, and salutes from bands and steamers, the Melrose Encampment sailed to the eastward, and Portland Commandery, after a sail among the islands, returned to the city, having spent a day "long to be remembered with pleasure," as the record says.

On the return of the Melrose Knights from the East, the officers and committee of Portland Commandery dined with them at the Preble House, when it came out that the long march of the nineteenth had been arranged in consequence of the expressed wish of the Melrose committee to be marched all over town, and the Portland Committee informed them that they got only half the march designed for them. With much good humor, the Melrose committee promised to fully reciprocate, when opportunity should permit, and their pledge was redeemed at a later day.

FIRST FIELD ENCAMPMENT.

At the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, Grand Commander DODGE had recommended a FIELD ENCAMPMENT, and it having been referred to the subordinates, most of them reported in favor of it, and arrangements were accordingly made for going into camp at Cushing's Island August 24th. Portland Commandery had cordially accepted the invitation in May, and on August 6th Sir Knights GEO. W. PARKER, W. G. DAVIS, THOS. M. GIVEEN and ANDREW S. SAWYER were appointed a committee of arrrangements.

On the 24th, the Commandery assembled at nine in the morning, and at 10:30, accompanied by St. Alban Commandery and Portland Band, marched to State Street, where they received Maine, Dunlap, Lewiston, Trinity and DeMolay Commanderies, and escorted them through State, Congress and Exchange streets, to the hall. "At 12:30 the line was re-formed and marched to the steamer Ella, where Bradford Commandery, accompanied by the Biddeford Band, joined the battalion, and Grand Commander MCLELLAN took command. After embarking, the whole company, numbering about four hundred men, left for the camp ground on Cushing's Island. The grounds were finely situated, from four to five hundred yards to the left of the landing, on a level plat of land, commanding a fine view of both city and harbor.

"At two o'clock the Commanderies arrived at the Island, were marched to the camp ground and immediately prepared for dinner. St. Alban and DeMolay Commanderies catered for themselves upon

the grounds; the remaining bodies were served by Sir Knight DAVIS, of the Ottawa House. After dinner, the several Commanderies were assigned their respective quarters; soon after, the sunset gun was fired, and the several Commanderies were dismissed. The Portland Band, which had been taken by the Grand Commandery, was stationed at head-quarters, and for a while enlivened the camp with some splendid music, while the Sir Knights busied themselves in arranging their tents. The Encampment was called 'Camp Dodge,' in honor of Past Grand Commander DODGE, of Portland.

"The routine for Wednesday and Thursday was as follows: Reveillé at 5 A. M. Sunrise gun. Roll call. Breakfast call at 6:30. Surgeon's call at 7:30. Guard mounting at 8. Company drill 9 to 11. Dinner call at 12 o'clock. Review at 2:30 P. M; Dress Parade at 5:30. Sunset gun. Meeting of Grand Officers at 8. Tattoo at 9:30. Taps at 10.

"A number of distinguished visitors were present, among them P. G. C.'s DODGE, THOMPSON, BRADFORD and MURRAY. Also a large number of friends from the city, who visited us during the two days, among them many ladies. This Commandery also had the pleasure of entertaining six Sir Knights of Hugh de Payens Encampment, of Melrose, Mass.

"On Friday, the most of the forenoon was spent in packing and arranging camp, preparatory to striking tents, which was done at twelve o'clock. At one o'clock the lines were formed, and we marched to, and embarked on board the steamer, which landed us in Portland at two o'clock. The lines were again formed, when we marched through a few of the principal streets, and then escorted the several Commanderies to the Portland and Kennebec depot, where we bade them farewell. This Commandery then returned to the hall, and was dismissed until ten o'clock, at which time it re-assembled and marched to the P. S. & P. depot, where it received St. Alban Commandery, which had accompanied Bradford Commandery home, and escorted them to the hall, where all were dismissed.

"Thus ended the first encampment of the Knights Templar of this State, with which all seemed much pleased, everything having

passed with remarkable smoothness, not a single incident having occurred to mar the harmony of the occasion. The many pleasant acquaintances there formed will be long remembered, and can but be a great benefit to the Order."

LIST OF COMMANDERIES PRESENT.

	Men.		Men.
Maine, 1, Gardiner,	30	Trinity, 7, Augusta,	50
Portland, 2, Portland,	80	St. Alban, 8, Portland,	70
Bradford, 4, Biddeford,	40	Claremont, 9, Rockland,	26
Dunlap, 5, Bath,	26	DeMolay, 10, Skowhegan,	50
Lewiston, 6, Lewiston,	39	St. Bernard, 11, Eastport,	6
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At the November meeting, an elegantly engrossed series of resolutions, acknowledging courtesies of the last summer, were received from Hugh de Payens Encampment. They were framed and hung in the banquet room, and were destroyed in the fire of 1876.

The annual meeting fell on December 29th. The Commandery was still in debt nearly $300. There had been eight candidates and the membership stood at 151.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Stephen Berry, C.	Frank G. Stevens, S. W.
Seth C. Gordon, Gen.	Geo. W. Parker, J. W.
Orrin S. Fogg, C. G.	Chas. Fobes, Treasurer.
Frank E. Allen, Prelate.	Ira Berry, Jr., Recorder.

1870. These officers were installed January 24th, by Past Commander Fox, together with

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Cyrus B. Abbott, St. B.	John C. Small, Guard.
Albion Keith, Sw. B.	Joseph Y. Hodsdon, "
Geo. P. Gross, Warder.	Dan'l F. Emery, Jr.,"

An invitation from the City Government, to join in the reception of the Peabody remains, was declined.

On April 30th, the Commandery, numbering 45, accompanied by Portland Band, attended the funeral of Sir Isaac Ingersoll, who died April 27th. The funeral took place from his son's house on Dow street, and the Commandery marched to Evergreen Cem-

etery, where Portland Lodge performed the masonic service, and returned by railroad from Morrill's Corner. Companion INGERSOLL was an old member of Portland Lodge, took the Chapter degrees in 1822, and the Orders of Knighthood in Portland Commandery August 23, 1858. He was a confectioner, and a man who stood high in the esteem of his brethren. His age was seventy-two years.

An invitation to participate in the memorial services of Decoration Day was declined.

On May 17th the Commandery, accompanied by Portland Band, attended the funeral of Sir JABEZ M. KNIGHT, who died May 15th, aged fifty-eight years. Ancient Land-Mark Lodge performed the service at Evergreen Cemetery, and the Commandery took the horse cars at Deering's bridge, returning in the same manner. Companion KNIGHT was a son of GEORGE KNIGHT, the old packet-master, and acquired a competence in Cuba, where he carried on a cooperage.

BANGOR DEDICATION AND REVIEW.

The dedication of the new masonic halls at Bangor having been fixed for June 28th, the Grand Commandery had directed the calling of the annual review at that place for the following day. Portland Commandery voted to accept the invitation, provided fifty would promise to attend. The committee secured that number of names, and three drill meetings were held in June, as preparation. They were not fully attended; twelve at the first, eight at the second, and not enough to form a rank at the third. The two last meetings were held on the Arsenal grounds. The members were now satisfied with their own proficiency, and the UPTON drill had been adopted.

On Monday, June 27th, the Commandery, forty-six strong, accompanied by Portland Band, took the cars for Bangor, at the Grand Trunk station, half an hour after noon. St. Alban Commandery, with Haverhill Band, went down in the same train. At Bangor we were received by St. John's Commandery, and escorted to our quarters at the Bangor House.

On Thursday, 28th, "the lines were formed at nine o'clock, and the Commandery marched to the post assigned. The Lodges were arranged in six divisions, each escorted by a Commandery, the Grand Lodge, Orator and invited guests composing a seventh division. In this order the procession moved through several streets to the new Masonic Hall, which was consecrated and dedicated in ample form by the Grand Lodge.

"The procession was then formed again, and marched to a tent, erected for the purpose, where an abundant collation was spread, with plates and seats for about twenty-five hundred. After a brief address by Grand Master JOHN H. LYNDE, and prayer by Rev. W. W. MARSH, Grand Chaplain, the brethren partook of the refreshments. M. W. JOSIAH H. DRUMMOND then delivered the oration, Bro. JEREMIAH FENNO read the report of the building committee, and a reasonable time was spent in listening to remarks from various brethren, sentiment, song, and music from the fine bands in attendance. In the evening there was a reception at Masonic Hall, and a dance at Norumbega Hall, to both of which all brethren not residing in Bangor received tickets of invitation.

"Friday, 29th, at nine o'clock A. M., the five visiting Commanderies, and St. John's Commandery of Bangor, each accompanied by their music, marched through the principal streets to Warren's field on Lime Street, where some time was spent in drilling singly. Shortly after ten o'clock the Commanderies consolidated, and formed into a battalion, the line facing the west. The battalion was under the command of Sir R. W. BLACK, of Trinity Commandery, Sir GEORGE LANCASTER, of St. John's Commandery, acting as Adjutant, and was formed as follows:

Portland Commandery,	No. 2, Portland,	Sir STEPHEN BERRY, Com'r.	
St. John's	"	" 3, Bangor,	" E. F. DILLINGHAM, "
Trinity	"	" 7, Augusta,	" AUSTIN D. KNIGHT, "
St. Alban	"	" 8, Portland,	" CHARLES M. RICE, "
Claremont	"	" 9, Rockland,	" LEANDER WEEKS, "
DeMolay	"	" 10, Skowhegan	" W. R. G. ESTES, "

"The Portland, Haverhill, Thomaston, Skowhegan and Bangor bands, and the Augusta drum corps, furnished music.

"After dress parade, a review took place before R. E. Grand Commander CHARLES H. MCLELLAN, accompanied by Sir H. H. DICKEY, Deputy Grand Commander, Sir SILAS ALDEN, Grand Captain General, and Sir MOSES DODGE, Past Grand Commander.

"After the review, an inspection of arms took place, and the Commanderies falling into line once more, marched to the great tent on Lime Street Common, where grateful refreshments in the shape of iced lemonade and cake were partaken of. The Commanderies then marched to their respective quarters, escorted by St. John's Commandery.

"Portland, St. Alban, Trinity and DeMolay Commanderies were escorted by St. John's Commandery to the three o'clock special train, where speeches of thanks were made by the visiting Eminent Commanders, which were responded to in fitting terms by Eminent Commander Sir E. F. DILLINGHAM. The Sir Knights then sang 'Auld Lang Syne,' accompanied by the Portland and Bangor bands, and, after enthusiastic cheers for St. John's Commandery, the Mayor of Bangor, and the Bangor Ladies, the train started for home.

"Arriving in Portland, Portland and St. Alban Commanderies were received by the Mechanic Blues, under command of Lieut. PENNELL, who wished to pay a compliment to Sir Knight Junior Warden, GEO. W. PARKER (their commander), and escorted to Masonic Hall."

RECEPTION OF ST. PAUL'S COMMANDERY.

On September 19th, an invitation was accepted from St. Alban Commandery to join them as guests in the reception of St. Paul's Commandery, of Dover, N. H., on Thursday, 22d. On that day the Commandery assembled forty-seven strong, and accompanied St. Alban Commandery to the depot, after receiving Grand Commander MCLELLAN and suite at the Falmouth Hotel. At that place St. Paul's Commandery, and Bradford Commandery, of Biddeford, were received, and the procession embarked in the steamer Gazelle for Cushing's Island, where a clambake was served. At a

later hour there was a procession through the city, and a ball at City Hall in the evening.

THOMAS B. PARSONS.

October 25th, the Commandery, accompanied by Portland Band, attended the funeral of THOMAS B. PARSONS. At the house in Wilmot Street, the venerable Parson CARRUTHERS performed the services, and prayed for everybody excepting the masons. Portland Lodge performed the masonic services at Eastern Cemetery. Comp. PARSONS was an aged and retired master mariner, who had for many years taught navigation. He joined this Commandery in 1849.

The annual meeting fell on December 26th. There was now $130 in the treasury. There had been thirteen candidates; present number of members, 157.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

SETH C. GORDON, C.
ORRIN S. FOGG, Gen.
EDWARD C. SWETT, C. G.
WILLIAM E. GIBBS, Prelate.
CHARLES FOBES, Treasurer.
IRA BERRY, JR., Recorder.
FRANK G. STEVENS, S. W.
GEORGE P. GROSS, J. W.
WILLIAM G. DAVIS, Trustee for two years.

1871. These were installed January 13th, by Grand Commander MCLELLAN, in the presence of seventy-one members, several visiting Templars and a large number of ladies, Sir FRANK E. ALLEN acting as Grand Marshal.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

CYRUS B. ABBOTT, St. B.
ALBION KEITH, Sw. B.
JOHN C. SMALL, Warder.
JOSEPH Y. HODSDON, Guard.
EMMONS CHAPMAN, "
ANDREW S. SAWYER, "

A banquet followed, at which Past Commander FOX, on behalf of the members, presented a Past Commander's Jewel to the retiring Commander.

At the February meeting, Past Commander MOSES DODGE was elected an honorary member. The Commandery had been chary of this honor, FREEMAN BRADFORD being the only honorary member then on the rolls.

At the April meeting, the Recorder was ordered to obtain the photographs of the members and preserve them in an album. At the next meeting, he reported that Sir Knights L. O. SHORT and CHARLES C. HARMON had presented a suitable album. This has proved very interesting and valuable. There are now ninety-three pictures in it, and it is hoped that many more out of the 450 members who have belonged to this Commandery may be secured.

In May a committee was appointed, to act with committees of other bodies, to procure a stone to mark the grave of Sir THOMAS B. PARSONS. The following was also passed:

Resolved, That our Eminent Commander be reqnested to extend a most cordial invitation to St. John's Commandery, of Bangor, to visit us this summer; and to say to them that no others could be so welcome, and no other time more agreeable than the present season; and that we feel they owe us the opportunity to try, at least, to emulate the unbounded hospitality which was bestowed on us in 1860 and 1870.

But even this urgent invitation did not bring them out this year.



Chapter IX.

RECEPTION OF HAVERHILL COMMANDERY—THOMPSON FUNERAL—MONTREAL EXCURSION—BANQUET TO MOUNT HOREB COMMANDERY—ST. JOHN EXCURSION—VISIT OF WYZEMAN MARSHALL.

Haverhill Commandery, of Haverhill, Mass., visited Portland June 23d, and were received by Portland Commandery.
1871. St. Alban Commandery were invited to participate as guests. On Friday morning, 23d, the Commandery assembled at 9:30 o'clock, and, accompanied by Portland Band, escorted St. Alban Commandery to the Falmouth Hotel, where Haverhill Commandery, accompanied by Haverhill Band, was received and conducted through Middle, Free, Congress, Elm, Cumberland, Franklin, Congress, Exchange, Middle and Union Streets, to the steamer Ella, in which the company made a pleasant two hours' trip among the islands, and landed at Evergreen Landing, where a clambake was served. On the return, the Haverhill Commandery was escorted to the depot, and the two Commanderies returned to their quarters.

At the June stated meeting the three surviving charter members, John B. Coyle, Charles Fobes and Marcian Seavey, were elected honorary members.

THOMPSON FUNERAL.

On August 7th, accompanied by Portland Band, the Commandery took the noon train for Brunswick, to attend the funeral of Past Grand Commander Abner B. Thompson. At Brunswick we were met by Maine, Dunlap and Lewiston Commanderies, and marched to a hall, where a short rest was taken. A procession

was then formed, consisting of the four Commanderies, the Grand Lodge, United, Acacia, Polar Star and Ancient York Lodges, which escorted the remains of the Past Grand Commander to the grave, Eminent Commander GORDON commanding the battalion. The services at the grave were conducted by Past Grand Master DRUMMOND. The Commandery returned by the evening train. Companion THOMPSON took the Orders in Boston Encampment in March, 1845, and became a member of Maine Encampment when it resumed work in Portland. He was Grand Captain General in 1856–7, Grand Generalissimo in 1858–9, Deputy Grand Commander in 1860–1, and Grand Commander 1862–3. In 1856, he attended the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment at Hartford, Conn., as our Grand Captain General, and was elected Grand Standard Bearer, and re-elected in 1859. He had also been at the head of the Grand Lodge, Chapter and Council of Maine, and at his death was Deputy for Maine of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite.

JOHN RUSSELL, JR., who took the Orders May 13, 1850, died December 9th. He was for many years the Superintendent of the P. S. & P. Railroad. He was Senior Warden in 1852, and had been Captain General in 1850–1.

1872. The annual meeting fell on Christmas, but a quorum was not present, and it was postponed until January 4th, when the reports showed $88 in the treasury; twenty-one candidates; 168 members.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

SETH C. GORDON, C.	GEO. P. GROSS, S. W.
ORRIN S. FOGG, Gen.	JOHN C. SMALL, J. W.
FRANK G. STEVENS, C. G.	CHARLES FOBES, Treasurer.
WM. E. GIBBS, Prelate.	IRA BERRY, JR., Recorder.

They were installed by Grand Commander DICKEY, together with the following

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

CYRUS B. ABBOTT, St. B.	FRED. F. HALE, Guard.
ALBION KEITH, Sw. B.	GEO. R. SHAW, "
JOSEPH Y. HODSDON, Warder.	WM. ROSS, JR., Organist.
AURELIUS S. HINDS, Guard.	JOSEPH CASTELL, JR., Armorer.

At the February meeting, the famous Order No. 3, of Grand Master FELLOWS, was received and read at the head of the lines.

At the March meeting, the Commander announced the death of DANIEL W. MILLER, which took place January 29th. He died of scarlet fever, at the age of thirty-seven. His funeral was attended by many members of the Commandery, and at this meeting it was

"*Voted*, That at the funerals of members of this Commandery it be the duty of the members to attend; and that conveyance be furnished them at the expense of the Commandery, when agreeable to the wishes of the family."

MONTREAL EXCURSION.

At the April meeting, a committee was appointed to arrange for an excursion to St. John; but a Springfield Commandery got in ahead, and the destination was changed to Montreal. Four drill meetings were held in June, which were attended by about twenty members. A dispensation was obtained from Grand Master FELLOWS through Grand Commander DICKEY, permitting the wearing of the black costume, and on Saturday, June 22d, the Commandery, numbering fifty-four Knights, accompanied by Portland Band, started for Montreal at 1:30 P. M.

Sunday, 23d, they arrived in Montreal, where they were received by Em. Commander E. C. COPELAND and Sir Knights of Richard Cœur de Lion Encampment, and escorted to the Ottawa Hotel. After breakfasting, the morning was spent in driving about the city. In the afternoon, a part of the Commandery accompanied Commander GORDON across the river to Laprairie, to visit the Grand Prior of Canada, Col. J. B. MCLEOD MOORE, who received them most cordially.

On Monday morning the lines were formed at six, and, escorted by Richard Cœur de Lion Encampment, they took the early train to Lachine, lunched there, and then ran the Lachine Rapids in the steamer Beauharnois, arriving in Montreal at 9:30 A. M. The lines were formed and they started for the hotel, but on the way they encountered the Society of St. John the Baptist, the officials of which invited the Templars to join them. The united procession

marched along Notre Dame to St. Peter Street, when the Templars fell out and returned to the Ottawa Hotel to breakfast. After that the Commandery paraded on St. James Street, and subsequently marched to the corner of Craig and St. Lawrence Main Street, where, at the invitation of Chief Engineer BERTRAM, Em. Commander GORDON sounded the Fire Alarm, bringing out the Fire Department in less than two minutes. A march was then made to Victoria Square, where the fountain was made to play, and the Band entertained the citizens.

In the afternoon, the Montreal Templars caused them to make the *tour de la Montagne*, in carriages, and afterwards gave them a champagne lunch at the "Terrapin." The Commandery then took the steamer Quebec down the St. Lawrence, parting most fraternally with their Montreal friends.

On Tuesday, 25th, they arrived at Quebec at seven A. M., breakfasted at the St. Louis, visited the Falls of Montmorenci, the Citadel, and the Plains of Abraham, and finally took the evening train for home.

On Wednesday afternoon the Commandery arrived in Portland, and was received by those members who had been unable to go, and escorted to the hall, where a collation was given them.

BANQUET TO MOUNT HOREB COMMANDERY.

On September 11th, Mount Horeb Commandery, of Concord, N. H., arrived in the city. They were costumed in black, but the Grand Commandery of Maine strictly enforcing Order No. 3, Portland Commandery could not parade, in lieu of which they gave a banquet to Mount Horeb Commandery at the Falmouth Hotel. Two hours were spent in social intercourse, with speeches and stories, and at seven o'clock the Concord Commandery was accompanied to the Boston boat, where they parted with cheers. THOMAS J. SANBORN, their Prelate, was a Past Generalissimo and an honorary member of Portland Commandery.

The annual meeting fell on December 23d. IRA BERRY presented to the Commandery a cross of wood cut from a branch of

one of the "Cedars of Lebanon" supposed to have been standing at the time of the building of King Solomon's Temple. The particulars authenticating the relic are given in the record. Having paid for the banquet to Mount Horeb Commandery, and nearly two hundred dollars towards the Montreal Excursion, from the funds, the Commandery came out $11 in debt. Candidates, 11; membership, 183.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Orrin S. Fogg, C.	Emmons Chapman, J. W.
Frank G. Stevens, Gen.	Charles Fobes, Treasurer.
John C. Small, C. G.	Ira Berry, Jr., Recorder.
William E. Gibbs, Prelate.	William G. Davis, Trustee for two years.
Joseph Y. Hodsdon, S. W.	

APPOINTED.

Cyrus B. Abbott, St. B.	Geo. R. Shaw, Guard.
Albion Keith, Sw. B.	John S. Harris, "
Aurelius S. Hinds, Warder.	C. O. Files, Organist.
Fred. F. Hale, Guard.	Joseph Castell, Jr., Armorer.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the retiring Commander.

1873. At the January meeting, Sir Ira Berry was elected an honorary member.

At the March meeting a vote of thanks to Richard Cœur de Lion Encampment, of Montreal, was spread upon the records, and an elegantly engrossed copy was sent to that Encampment.

April 17th, a delegation of the Commandery met at State Street Church, without uniform, to attend the funeral of Sir James L. Boothby, who died April 14th.

EXCURSION TO ST. JOHN.

In May, an excursion to St. John was voted and a committee of arrangements appointed. Two drill meetings were held in June, at which an attendance of twenty and twenty-two was secured. On Saturday, June 21st, accompanied by Portland Band, the Commandery, sixty strong, started at fifteen minutes after midday for Bangor, where they were received by St. John's Commandery, escorted to Masonic Hall and there feasted. "Both Commanderies

then took the train on the E. & N. A. R. R., and proceeded direct to St. John, N. B., arriving there on Sunday morning at eight o'clock. A quiet day was spent there; and on Monday, the 23d, the fratres of St. John took the visitors in charge, and spent the day in driving around and exchanging courtesies. In the evening they were escorted to the theatre. On Tuesday morning the visiting Commanderies marched to Indian Town, escorted by the St. John Knights, and took steamer for Fredericton. The sail up the river was more than fair; it was delightful and enjoyable in the highest degree. On arriving at Fredericton, we were surprised to see the Sir Knights of St. John—whom we had left there, and said good-bye to—drawn up in line ready to receive us. They had performed a flank movement, taken the rail, and reached Fredericton before we did. They escorted us to the Lieutenant-Governor's house, where we were received in a very pleasant manner by the Lieutenant-Governor; after which we marched to the hotel for supper, provided by the St. John Knights.

"At half-past nine we took cars, accompanied by the St. John Knights as far as Fredericton Junction, at which place, after a general shaking of hands and exchange of pleasant courtesies, we parted—they for their homes, and we for Bangor—arriving there at 7.45; when we were again taken in charge as guests of the more than hospitable Knights of Bangor, and provided with breakfast at the Bangor House.

"After breakfast, we took a special train for home, arriving at the depot in Portland at 3:30; where we found the members of the Commandery who were unable to go with us, mounted and drawn up in line to receive and escort us to the hall."

On this excursion, Frank G. Stevens, Generalissimo, commanded, in the unavoidable absence of the Commander, and, as the Captain General filled his place, it is rather noteworthy that only the Warder and one Guard were in their own places, and only four of the regular officers were present. In the Boston excursion in 1867, every officer had filled his own place.

On September 13th, the Commandery assembled at 8:30 A. M., and, accompanied by Portland Band, marched to the Boston boat,

where they received the remains of the late Sir HENRY D. SEYMOUR, of Chelsea, Mass., and escorted them as far as Deering's Bridge, on the road to Evergreen Cemetery; there the lines were opened, and, after paying a salute, the Commandery returned to the hall and was dismissed.

FREEMAN BRADFORD.

At the October meeting, Sir CHARLES C. HARMON, on behalf of Mrs. FREEMAN BRADFORD, expressed her thanks to the Commandery for floral offerings at the funeral of our late Companion, Sir FREEMAN BRADFORD, who died October 23, 1873.

Companion BRADFORD received the orders in Maine Encampment among its later candidates here, probably at the revival in 1845, as he received the Chapter degrees in 1844. He was a charter member of Portland Commandery, its second Commander, and Grand Commander of the State; was also Grand Master and Grand High Priest, and was regarded as the leading mason in the City and State. He was a lawyer, practicing here from 1828. He was born in 1802, and was seventy-one years and five months old. The Prelate was directed to write a letter of condolence, on the part of the Commandery, to his widow.

The annual meeting fell on the 22d, but, as many of the members were busily occupied with holiday trade, it was decided to let the meeting go over, and hold it by dispensation at a later date. Some thirty of the members failed to hear of this arrangement, and having assembled, they played a joke upon the others, by going through the form of an election, and choosing an entirely new board of officers, a list of which was published in the next morning's papers. The meeting was held on the 29th, when the Treasurer reported $641.94 in the treasury. Eighteen candidates; two hundred members.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

FRANK G. STEVENS, C.
JOHN C. SMALL, Gen.
JOSEPH Y. HODSDON, C. G.
WILLIAM E. GIBBS, Prelate.
EMMONS CHAPMAN, S. W.
A. S. HINDS, J. W.
CHARLES FOBES, Treasurer.
JOHN S. HARRIS, Recorder.

1874. These officers were installed January 26th, in the presence of ninety-two members, twelve visiting Knights and a large number of ladies, by the Grand Commander, JOHN W. BALLOU, Commander FOGG acting as Grand Marshal.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

CYRUS B. ABBOTT, St. B.	JAMES F. HAWKES, Guard.
GEO. R. SHAW, Sw. B.	CHAS. B. BELKNAP, "
L. W. FOBES, Warder.	C. O. FILES, Organist.
F. F. HALE, Guard.	JOSEPH CASTELL, JR., Armorer.

The ceremonies concluded with a banquet. The expenses ($282.50), were paid from the funds.

At the February meeting, the Commander announced the death of DAVID RITCHIE, at Islip, N. Y., on February 3d. The masons at that place were requested to procure the usual floral offering, and to designate pall bearers, in the name of this Commandery. Sir Knight RITCHIE was a Captain in the Revenue Service, to which he was appointed at the instance of Gen. DIX, for his gallantry in swimming off to the Revenue Cutter in New Orleans, and securing the flag made famous by the General's order, "If any man pulls down that flag, shoot him on the spot." This flag he secreted until the city was captured, when Gen. BUTLER sent him on with it to Gen. DIX. A letter of condolence, from the Prelate, was sent to his widow.

April 27th EDWARD M. PATTEN, residing in San Francisco, was elected to honorary membership.

On April 30th, an interesting meeting was held on the occasion of WYZEMAN MARSHALL, the distinguished Tragedian, and the Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, consenting to visit us and confer the Order of the Temple. Sir Knight MARSHALL was attended by nine templars from Massachusetts; six were present from Bath; twenty-eight from St. Alban Commandery, and eighty-nine of our own members. The work was very nearly like our own, was admirably done, and gave great pleasure to all who were so fortunate as to witness it. After the meeting a banquet was given to our distinguished guest, at the Falmouth Hotel, which was also very delightful.

At the May meeting, it was voted to invite St. John's Commandery, of Bangor, Richard Cœur de Lion Encampment, of Montreal, and St. John and Union De Molay Encampments, of St. John, N. B., to visit us on St. John's Day. An executive committee of six, and general reception committee of twenty-four, was appointed, and a special invitation was sent to Sir CHARLES F. STANSBURY, of Washington, D. C., Past Commander of Washington Commandery, who had been a martyr in the "Black Costume" controversy, then raging.

CHAPTER X.

RECEPTION OF BANGOR AND ST. JOHN COMMANDERIES—THE BLACK COSTUME—EXCURSION TO NASHUA, WORCESTER AND MELROSE—RECEPTION OF ST. GEORGE COMMANDERY.

1874. The celebration of St. John's Day, 1874, was one of the most enjoyable, among the many recorded in the masonic history of Portland, and our Recorder has devoted quite a chapter of his record to the event, surmounting it with an illustrated heading in purple and gold. The Bangor Knights had been the friends of our youth, St. John's Commandery having been chartered in 1850, three years after our Commandery, and four years before Maine Commandery was given to the Knights of the Kennebec Valley. With us, they helped form the Grand Commandery, before any Commandery existed in Maine outside of Bangor and Portland, they had entertained us with great hospi-

tality, on three occasions, and had thus far resisted our urgent invitations to visit us in return. They had now consented to become our guests, and with them, the two Encampments of St. John, who had entertained them and us in the previous year. The Montreal Knights sent their thanks and regrets.

On the afternoon of Tuesday, the 23d, the guests were received at the foot of State Street, St. John's Commandery, of Bangor, numbering forty-two, St. John's Encampment, of St. John, N. B., thirty-one, Union De Molay, of St. John, eighteen, in addition to which six visitors were present from Massachusetts Commanderies, as also Commander BIRD, of Claremont Commandery, Grand High Priest BURBANK, and our special guest, Past Commander CHARLES F. STANSBURY, of Washington. Portland Commandery turned out in full numbers, with Chandler's Band. The visitors were escorted to their quarters at the Falmouth, and in the evening the Knights of Portland Commandery devoted themselves to their entertainment.

On the morning of St. John's Day, Wednesday, June 24th, this Commandery turned out at eight o'clock, one hundred strong, and escorted the visitors to Railroad Wharf, whence the steamer Charles Houghton took them for a two hours' sail down the harbor, finally landing at Evergreen Landing, where a substantial clam bake was served, a photograph of the assembled company taken, and the day spent in social amusements. Returning at five o'clock, a long march was made through the public streets, calling at several residences on the way.

In the evening a memorable banquet was given in Fluent Hall, which the daily "Press" thus described:

"The spacious and elegant banquet hall presented a beautiful appearance as the Knights marched in at nine o'clock. On a platform, at the upper end, was Chandler's Band, in the midst of abundant floral and evergreen decorations. Across the upper end of the floor stretched a table from which three other tables extended the entire length of the hall, handsomely spread and elegantly adorned with flowers. Here the Templars, weary with their day's junketings, sat themselves down, and after grace by Chaplain LEONARD, attacked the appetizing viands with hearty good will, the band all the while discoursing excellent music. When the discussion of the solid viands had

ceased, the company was called to attention by Commander FRANK G. STEVENS, who introduced EDWARD C. SWETT as toastmaster for the occasion. The regular toasts were then presented, with a running fire of witty comment from the toastmaster, who knows how to do this sort of thing, as follows:

"I. *The day we celebrate.* Response by Past Commander FRANKLIN FOX.

"II. *The Grand Commandery of Maine.* Response by Past Commander STEPHEN BERRY, for Grand Commander J. W. BALLOU, detained at home by illness.

"III. *St. John and Union DeMolay Encampments.* Responses by Commander E. J. WETMORE, Lt.-Commander J. G. FORBES for St. John, and Commander D. R. MUNROE for Union DeMolay.

"IV. *St. John's Commandery of Bangor.* Responses by Commander A. M. BABB and JERE. FENNO.

"V. *Richard Cœur de Lion Encampment of Montreal.* Response in absence of Encampment by S. C. ANDREWS, of Portland Commandery.

"VI. *Our fair city.* Response by Mayor GEORGE P. WESCOTT, of Portland Commandery.

"VII. *The Queen of England.* Response by HENRY LEONARD, of St. John.

"*The President of the United States*—offered by J. G. FORBES, of St. John. Response by Rev. HENRY C. LEONARD, of Portland Commandery.

"*St. Alban Commandery.* Response by A. A. STROUT, of St. Alban.

"*The Grand Chapter of Maine.* Response by Grand High Priest H. H. BURBANK.

"*The Ladies of Portland*—offered by M. CHAMBERLAIN, of St. John. Response by STANLEY PULLEN, of Portland.

"Grand Master CHARLES F. STANSBURY, of Washington, D. C., was toasted, and made an eloquent response.

"Several other speeches were made and stories told, notable among which was the story of 'Webster at Rochester,' by E. C. SWETT, and the celebrated 'Fly' story, by the venerable and ever delightful IRA BERRY, whose brightness time has not even begun to dim.

"GEORGE W. SNOW, of Bangor, recited a poem prepared for the occasion, abounding in personal and local hits, and Commander STEVENS gave some beautiful and appropriate verses of farewell, which were heartily appreciated.

"The banquet closed at about half-past one in the morning, with a jovial song.

"On Thursday morning, the Templars started at an early hour, and took their guests in carriages about the city and environs. At eleven o'clock, Portland Commandery again appeared in uniform and escorted the visiting Knights to Fluent Hall, where a lunch was set out. Here the personal parting took place, and one who witnessed it would hardly believe in the traditional phlegmatic character of the Briton. The St. John Knights

enthusiastically demanded that those assembled should meet again in their city next year. Mutual cheers were exchanged, 'Auld Lang Syne' was sung in unison, and when high twelve struck, they took up their route for the depot, where a special train was in waiting, which started at half-past twelve for Bangor. There the St. John Knights were the guests of their Bangor brethren for the evening, and late at night they pursued their further course to St. John.

"The Portland Committee provided for the comfort of their guests, *en route*, by putting a supply of refreshments on the train to cheer them on their way. Thus ended a masonic festival as thoroughly enjoyed as any that ever occurred in Portland, and friendships have been formed which will terminate only with life."

At the stated August meeting, the committee reported the expense of the late celebration at $2,168.94. They had collected in assessments $2,235, and $66.06 was accordingly turned into the treasury. A set of resolutions from St. John's Commandery, of Bangor, were received and spread upon the record. The resolutions stated emphatically that they never *could, should nor would* forget the grand good time they had in Portland, the "immensely successful clambake," the "never-to-be-forgotten banquet which would have made old Zerubbabel himself realize that he was indeed amongst the nobles of our land," etc.

THE BLACK COSTUME.

Three years preceding this time, directly after the election of Grand Master Fellows, he issued the famous Order No. 3, prohibiting the use of the black costume, under the specious reasoning that the agreement of 1859, by which the old Commanderies were forever to retain their black costume in consideration of their favoring the new costume of a white tunic, etc., was abrogated by the change of 1862, which dropped out the tunic and cloak. The enforcement of this edict in Maine had like to have wrought the destruction of the four old Commanderies; but this disaster was happily averted by the cordial sympathy and support of the other Maine Commanderies, which enabled them to tide over the three sinister years until the triennial conclave at New Orleans, in December, 1874. Portland Commandery, through its membership, took a most active part in the controversy which raged on the

subject, and when the triennial session approached, wishing to have Maine fully represented, paid the expenses of a delegate to New Orleans, and sent Sir Knight JAMES S. BEDLOW to fill the place of Sir Knight GORDON, Grand Captain General, who was unable to go. The action at that session is familiar Templar history. On Saturday, December 5th, our hearts were gladdened by a dispatch telling us that our cause was won, and on the 11th, Grand Commander BALLOU and Sir Knight BEDLOW arrived home. A banquet was arranged at the Falmouth Hotel, and perhaps the happiest Templar gathering that Portland had ever known, was held that evening, around the hospitable board, as our delegate made his report, and Grand Commander BALLOU detailed the scenes at the assembly.

The annual meeting fell on December 28th, on which occasion the written report of Sir Knight BEDLOW was made and ordered on record. The reports showed $411.35 in the treasury; seven candidates; 205 members.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

FRANK G. STEVENS, C.	A. S. HINDS, J. W.
JOHN C. SMALL, Gen.	CHARLES FOBES, Treasurer.
JOSEPH Y. HODSDON, C. G.	JOHN S. HARRIS, Recorder.
WILLIAM E. GIBBS, Prelate.	WILLIAM G. DAVIS, Trustee for two years.
EMMONS CHAPMAN, S. W.	

They were installed by Grand Captain General GORDON, with the

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

CYRUS B. ABBOTT, St. B.	FRED. F. HALE, Guard.
CHAS. B. BELKNAP, Sw. B.	HENRY F. PERRY, "
L. W. FOBES, Warder.	JOSEPH CASTELL, Jr., Armorer.
FRANK H. SWETT, Guard.	C. O. FILES, Organist.

TIMOTHY CHASE, of Belfast, who took the Orders in Portland Commandery, May 2, 1849, and assisted in organizing St. 1875. John Commandery, died in Belfast, March 6th, aged eighty-two years. He had been Grand Master and Grand High Priest at the same time, was the first Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Council, and was Grand Senior Warden of the

Grand Commandery from 1852 to 1856. He was a strong and excellent character, and his memory is held in much esteem among his brethren, who have named a lodge after him. His portrait was published in the Grand Lodge proceedings of 1875.

EDMUND A. CHADWICK, of Gardiner, who took the Orders in Portland Commandery, July 9, 1853, for the purpose of re-organizing Maine Commandery in Gardiner, died April 20th, aged fifty-eight years. He was born in Frankfort, Maine, in 1817, graduated at Bowdoin College in 1842, and commenced the practice of law in Pittston in 1844. He served as paymaster in the navy during the war of the rebellion, after which he became Judge of the Municipal Court of Gardiner. He had held important offices in all the Grand Bodies, having been Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery in 1857.

THOMAS J. SANBORN, who was made a Templar in 1848 and an honorary member in 1874, died in Concord, N. H., June 9th, at the age of seventy, dropping dead in his garden from heart disease. He was a Past Master of Portland Lodge, was Representative of Maine in the Grand Commandery of New Hampshire, and had been at the head of Cryptic Masonry in that State. He filled several offices in this Commandery: Guard in 1849–50; Senior Warden 1851; Captain General 1852, and Generalissimo 1853–4. He was unmarried. His last appearance with us was at the visit of Mt. Horeb Commandery in 1872.

EXCURSION TO NASHUA, WORCESTER AND MELROSE.

As Spring came round again the usual preparation to celebrate St. John's day was made by appointing a committee to arrange for an excursion to Massachusetts. Sir JAMES S. BEDLOW was the chairman, and the route decided upon was to Nashua, Worcester and Melrose. One preparatory drill meeting was held.

June 24th came in pleasant but very warm, and the Commandery, forty strong, accompanied by Chandler's Band, started for the Rochester depot at 7½ o'clock in the morning. A new parlor car took them comfortably through to Nashua, where St. George Commandery received and escorted them about the city, calling at

several private residences, where they were entertained, and giving them a banquet at the Tremont House. The day was very sultry, and the marching, on that account, uncomfortable, but the entertainment was most enjoyable. Parting with the Nashua Knights at the depot, the Commandery proceeded to Worcester, where it was entertained by old Worcester County Commandery with a banquet at Masonic Hall. The next morning was spent in receiving visits from the Worcester Knights, who drove with them about the city. At two o'clock the Commandery took the train for Boston, arriving at four. There it was met by Hugh de Payens Commandery, of Melrose, and escorted to that town, where the sound of cannon greeted its arrival.

In Melrose, the record speaks of most bounteous hospitality and floral gifts, and delightful rest on Sir Knight COBURN'S grounds, "after a march which, in point of distance, was only equalled by our power of endurance." This long march was the retaliation promised by the Melrose committee when we received them in 1869. Of this the chronicler knew nothing, he being among the hundred members received since that time, but "David and Jonathan knew." A banquet followed, and the Commandery returned to Boston and quartered at the American House.

The next day, Saturday, the Commandery returned to Portland in the afternoon, by special train over the Eastern Railroad, and was received by a salute of artillery at the Portland station.

On Sunday, August 8th, the Commandery escorted Atlantic Lodge to Evergreen Cemetery, where Sir CHARLES W. GILKEY was buried with masonic honors. Sir Knight GILKEY was a druggist by profession, and died August 5th, aged 39 years.

RECEPTION OF ST. GEORGE COMMANDERY.

At a special meeting, August 17th, it was announced that a return visit might be expected from St. George Commandery, of Nashua, on August 24th, and a committee was appointed to make arrangements to receive them. On Tuesday, August 24th, the Commandery, numbering eighty-five, accompanied by Cole's Band,

marched to the Rochester depot and received them. St. George Commandery numbered fifty-two, and was accompanied by the Nashua Cornet Band. The train arrived about noon, and the visitors were escorted to City Hall, where HENRY FOX, President of the City Council, in absence of the Mayor, received and welcomed them to the city. After this reception, the procession moved to Portland Pier, where they embarked on the steamer Charles Houghton, which, after a sail outside of Cushing's Island and back through the White Head passage, landed the party at Little Diamond Island, where an excellent clambake was served. An hour followed, enlivened by music, stories and foot-ball, and other sports filled out the afternoon until five o'clock, when they again embarked for the city, arriving in good time at Brown's Wharf, whence they marched through Commercial, Park, Danforth, State, Deering, High, Congress and Middle Streets to the Falmouth Hotel, where the Nashua Knights were quartered.

In the evening a social gathering was held, followed by a visit to the theatre, and after that a pleasant call at the hospitable mansion of Sir WILLIAM G. DAVIS, Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements. Here a serenade was given, and the guests had what the daily papers styled "a very pleasant chat."

On Wednesday, the visiting Knights were taken in carriages about the city and vicinity, and especially to the summer residence of Sir PHILIP H. BROWN, at Cape Elizabeth, where refreshments were spread for them. At one o'clock, St. George Commandery left for home, having been escorted to the depot by their hosts.

NATHAN J. DAVIS.

On November 2d, the Commandery, accompanied by Chandler's Band, proceeded to the Preble House, to pay the last tribute of respect to the remains of Sir NATHAN J. DAVIS, who died in Bangor October 30th. Sir WILLIAM E. GIBBS, Prelate, who officiated, paid a fitting tribute to the memory of the departed Knight, who was an old member, having joined in June, 1857. After the Templar service, the funeral train was escorted to Deering's Bridge on its way to Evergreen Cemetery. Sir Knight DAVIS was an old

hotel proprietor, having kept the Commercial House when the Commandery banqueted there in 1858, and having long been the Commissary of this body. His age was sixty-three years.

THOMAS G. YOUNG.

Almost simultaneously, November 1st, died at Augusta another old member, who was born in the same year, 1812, THOMAS G. YOUNG. He was an old Whaling Captain and distinguished for his gallant, though unavailing resistance to the Shenandoah, when his ship, the Favorite, was destroyed by that cruiser in the Pacific. He was buried in Hallowell Cemetery, by Trinity Commandery, Commander STEVENS of this body, being present.

EMMONS CHAPMAN.

On November 22d, at the stated meeting, the death of our Senior Warden, EMMONS CHAPMAN, that afternoon, was announced. He was an apothecary, a young man, only thirty-five years old. His funeral on Thanksgiving day, 25th, was largely attended by members of the Commandery, and a page of the record, elegantly illustrated, is dedicated to his memory.

The annual meeting fell on December 27th. The Commandery owed the Treasurer $380. There had been fourteen candidates. The membership stood at 214.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

JOHN C. SMALL, C.	A. M. BENSON, S. W.
JOSEPH Y. HODSDON, Gen.	A. S. HINDS, J. W.
LEANDER W. FOBES, C. G.	CHAS. FOBES, Treasurer.
WM. E. GIBBS, Prelate.	JOHN S. HARRIS, Recorder.

1876. They were installed January 24th, by Grand Commander GORDON, with the following

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

CYRUS B. ABBOTT, St. B.	FRANK H. JORDAN, Guard.
FRED. F. HALE, Sw. B.	AARON HODSDON, "
FRANK E. ALLEN, Warder.	J. CASTELL, Jr., Armorer.
HENRY F. PERRY, Guard.	C. O. FILES, Organist.

A Past Commander's jewel was presented to FRANK G. STEVENS, the retiring Commander, on the part of the members.

At the April meeting an amendment to the by-laws was adopted, changing the annual meeting from the fourth Monday in December to the fourth Monday in November, the former time coming too close to the Christmas holidays, when the members found themselves occupied with other engagements.

CHAPTER XI.

RECEPTION OF WORCESTER CO. COMMANDERY—BURNING OF EXCHANGE STREET HALL—RECEPTION OF ST. OMER AND BRADFORD COMMANDERIES—THE NEW HALL—TRIP TO THE WHITE MOUNTAINS—EXCURSION TO SACO.

The permission given at New Orleans resulted in St. Alban Commandery changing their costume to black, and the
1876. formation of a new body, called Blanquefort Commandery, which was chartered in May, 1875. St. Alban had now procured new black uniforms, and at the May meeting a communication was received from them, proposing to unite in celebrating St. John's day. This was accepted, and Portland Commandery sent an invitation to Worcester Co. Commandery to become their guests, and St. Alban one to St. Paul Commandery, of Dover, N. H., to visit them on that occasion. The two visiting Commanderies arrived on Friday afternoon, June 23d, were received by both the Portland Commanderies, and escorted to the Falmouth

Hotel. On Saturday morning the four Commanderies, all in black costume, numbering Portland 80, St. Alban 50, Worcester Co. 95 and St. Paul 50, with their bands, paraded through the principal streets, and then took steamer for Little Chebeague Island, where a clambake was served and the day spent in pleasant recreation. Two photographic views of the whole group were taken at the island. In the evening the guests were escorted to their trains. Among the guests was JOHN DEAN, since Grand Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, who died February 7, 1882. He was a brother of Grand Master DEAN.

CHARLES H. ADAMS.

August 29th, the Commandery turned out with Chandler's Band, to pay their last sad tribute of respect to the remains of Sir CHARLES H. ADAMS, who died at Poland, August 27th, aged fifty-three years. The funeral procession was escorted to Deering's Bridge on its way to Evergreen Cemetery, the ceremonies having been performed at the Adams House.

The annual meeting fell on November 27th, at which time the Commandery owed the Treasurer $439.48. There had been but four candidates, and the membership stood at 215. In addition to Sir Knight ADAMS, CHARLES LITTLEJOHN had died during the year. Sir Knight LITTLEJOHN died November 24th, aged sixty-three. He was made a Templar in December, 1866.

Another prominent and much beloved Templar, formerly a member of this Commandery, had died during the year. JAMES FREEMAN, who joined Portland Commandery in 1859, went off to form St. Alban in 1866, and later was a charter member of Blanquefort, died April 23d, aged fifty-seven.

GEORGE WARREN, of Saccarappa, one of the Governor's Council, who received the orders in Portland Commandery in 1866, but never became a member, died July 29th, aged sixty-five.

ELECTED OFFICERS.

JOHN C. SMALL, C.
JOSEPH Y. HODSDON, Gen.
LEANDER W. FOBES, C. G.
WM. E. GIBBS, Prelate.
FRANK H. SWETT, S. W.
A. S. HINDS, J. W.
CHARLES FOBES, Treasurer.
JOHN S. HARRIS, Recorder.
WILLIAM G. DAVIS, Trustee.

They were installed January 22d, together with the following

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Geo. W. Leighton, St. B.	Aaron Hodsdon, Guard.
Fred. F. Hale, Sw. B.	Henry H. Lowell, Guard.
Frank E. Allen, Warder.	Joseph Castell, Jr., Armorer
Henry F. Perry, Guard.	C. O. Files, Organist.

But in the meantime a catastrophe had occurred. On the night of Friday, December 22d, Masonic Hall was destroyed by fire with nearly all its contents, the fire taking in the gas office beneath. The roof tumbled in upon the armory and filled it with rubbish. Some of the costumes were burned, and the rest ruined or badly injured by smoke and water. The joint loss of Portland and St. Alban Commanderies, exclusive of their interest in the general furnishings, was $3,500; insured $3,000. The special loss of Portland Commandery in costumes was $5,000; insured $4,000. Quarters were at once secured in Jose's hall opposite, and the January meeting was held there.

DANIEL WINSLOW,

A charter member, who was made a Templar in Maine Encampment about 1845, died at his residence in Deering, December 6th, aged seventy-seven. He was a Past Master of Ancient Landmark, and a charter member of Atlantic Lodge; was Guard in Portland Commandery in 1848–'49 and 1852, and Warder in 1850.

RECEPTION OF ST. OMER AND BRADFORD COMMANDERIES.

1877. Portland and St. Alban Commanderies having refitted with new uniforms, joint committees were appointed for the celebration of St. John's day, on Saturday, June 23d. St. Omer Commandery of Waterville, and Bradford Commandery of Biddeford, were invited as guests, and were received at the Eastern Railroad by our two Commanderies, and escorted through the city to Portland Pier, where they took the steamer Charles Houghton for a sail among the islands, landing at Little Chebeague, the scene of other happy re-unions. There a clambake

was served, and the day was spent in friendly converse and rustic games, until the time came to return and escort the visitors to their trains. Portland Commandery turned out seventy-six and St. Alban seventy-five Knights.

On this occasion both Commanderies appeared with new banners. That of Portland Commandery is depictured on the page of the record which describes the celebration. It cost $350 and was painted by Sir HARRISON B. BROWN. It is like the old Beauseant, half black and half white. On the front, as upon the former banner, is a picture of Jerusalem in the distance, with a band of Knights Templar in armor, with white mantles, on the left, and a band of Knights of Malta with scarlet mantles, on the right, bearing battle flags and advancing towards the city. On the upper part is the Passion Cross and motto of Constantine, "*In hoc signo vinces.*" At the foot are four medallions bearing the names of GODFREY DE BOUILLON, BALDWIN, RICHARD, CŒUR DE LION, and PHILIP II. On the reverse is the Templar Cross in white, bordered with gold, on the black ground; below it the seal of the Commandery, on a white ground. The material is white silk, black velvet and gold.

The annual meeting occurred on November 26th, when the Commandery was found to owe the Treasurer $315. No orders had been conferred, as Jose's hall had not been fitted up for Commandery work and the membership had fallen to 200. Five members had died: DANIEL WINSLOW, STEPHEN W. EATON, FRANK H. JORDAN, SAMUEL T. RAYMOND and IRA WITHAM.

SAMUEL T. RAYMOND died in Westbrook, December 15, 1876. He was made a Templar April 27, 1866.

IRA WITHAM died February 2d, aged forty-five. He was made a Templar August 24, 1868.

STEPHEN W. EATON, who was an old railroad Superintendent, died in Gorham, March 5th, aged seventy-one. He received the orders in 1854.

FRANK H. JORDAN was a passenger in a steamer which sailed for Halifax and never was heard from. He was second Guard in 1875.

Richard W. Kennard, who was formerly a member, and was Recorder in 1848–9–'50–1–2–3–4–5–6–7, died April 19, aged sixty-nine. He was made a Templar November 8, 1847, and had been Master of Portland Lodge.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

John C. Small, C.	Charles Fobes, Treasurer.
Joseph Y. Hodsdon, Gen.	John S. Harris, Recorder.
Leander W. Fobes, C. G.	Frank H. Swett, S. W.
William E. Gibbs, Prelate.	A. S. Hinds, J. W.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Geo. W. Leighton, St. B.	Aaron Hodsdon, Guard.
Fred. F. Hale, Sw. B.	Henry H. Lowell, Guard.
Frank E. Allen, Warder.	Christopher C. Hayes, Armorer.
Henry F. Perry, Guard.	Geo. M. Howe, Organist.

Alfred M. Burton, who received the Orders in 1857, died November 29th, aged fifty-three years, eight months. He was a valued member of the Commandery, an old member of the Board of Trustees, and had been Treasurer of the Grand Chapter, as well as filling other important positions in Masonry. He was Treasurer of the Maine Savings Bank. His funeral was attended by representatives from all the masonic bodies.

Allen Haines, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., January 15th, aged seventy-two years, and was buried in Portland. He was 1878. a lawyer, a graduate of Bowdoin in 1829, and a bank-president. He took the Orders in Portland Commandery, April 6, 1849, and was dimitted November 25, 1872. He held no office in the Commandery, except the position of Sword Bearer in 1856. He was Secretary of the Grand Chapter from 1849 to 1853.

On January 27th, the first meeting was held in the new halls which had been refitted in the Savings Bank building, and the Red Cross Order was conferred in the presence of seventy-seven members of Portland Commandery, thirty-six members of St. Alban, ten of Blanquefort, and six other Templars.

The Armory in the new quarters was fitted up by Portland and St. Alban Commanderies, at an expense of $1,819, of which $100

was paid towards the frescoing, for extra work. The new Armory is a room in the fourth story, 39 x 40½ feet, 12½ feet high. Two sides of the room are fitted with small stalls with sliding doors, just large enough to hold a trunk containing a costume, and each Knight has the key to his own compartment. The other two sides of the armory are furnished with large cases which hold the banners and swords. These accommodations are divided between Portland and St. Alban Commanderies, while the Blanquefort costumes and arms are contained in a chest of drawers, which forms a large table in the centre of the apartment. This convenient room is a favorite resort on festal occasions, and after meetings.

Each of the other Commanderies also had Red Cross meetings during January, and invited all the Templars of the city, and the three meetings were very social and pleasant gatherings.

At the May meeting, the Commander announced the deaths of two members.

Isaac C. Nesmith died of consumption, aged sixty-two years. He was Recorder of the Commandery five years, 1858–1862, and a member of Ancient Landmark Lodge. He joined in 1858.

Fred. J. Littlefield, Clerk of the Courts for Cumberland County, died very suddenly, of rheumatism of the heart, at his residence in Bridgton, May 12th, aged forty years. He was an active and influential member of Oriental Lodge and Chapter. A delegation from Portland Commandery attended his funeral. He joined in 1871.

John Williams, who was made a Templar in Portland Commandery May 2, 1849, died in Bangor, June 16th, aged seventy-five years. He had been a mason more than fifty years, had been Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge, Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, and Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery. He participated in the organization of St. John's Commandery.

TRIP TO THE WHITE MOUNTAINS.

St. John's Day, June 24th, was celebrated by an excursion of Portland and St. Alban Commanderies to the Crawford House,

accompanied by Chandler's Band. A special train over the Ogdensburg Railroad took them up in the morning. After a bountiful dinner, two hours were spent in sports, some making the trip up Mt. Willard. They then took the train for North Conway Village, where a visit was paid to Sir LYCURGUS PITMAN, of Portland Commandery, after which the train returned to the city. Sixty-eight were in the ranks of Portland Commandery.

JAMES S. BEDLOW.

On Friday, July 5th, the Commandery turned out with full ranks, accompanied by members of the other two Commanderies, and, escorting Grand Commander DRUMMOND and his suite, proceeded to the New Jerusalem Church on High Street, where the funeral services were performed over the body of Sir JAMES S. BEDLOW, who was drowned at Pine Point on July 2d, while successfully rescuing a young girl from drowning in the surf. The church was filled with a large concourse of telegraphers, members of the Board of Trade and citizens. The Templar portion of the services was performed by Grand Prelate GIBBS in an admirable manner. He was especially happy in his allusion to the manner in which he was faithful unto death to his Templar vows by laying down his life to rescue a helpless orphan. The Commandery escorted the funeral train to Deering's Bridge, and the officers accompanied it to Evergreen Cemetery, the place of burial.

Sir Knight BEDLOW was Grand Sword Bearer in the Grand Commandery. He was a member of St. Andrew's Lodge, at Bangor, of Mount Vernon Chapter and the Scottish Rite Bodies in Portland. He represented our Grand Commandery at New Orleans, and was almost always on committees of Portland Commandery when visiting abroad or receiving guests. His age was fifty-five years and six months. He left a wife and five children. He was widely known as the Superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and was as much esteemed for his ability as he was beloved for his kindly and generous disposition, which made him warm in friendships, slow to anger, diligent in kind offices, and unflinchingly true to all who relied on him.

A beautiful memorial page is inscribed to his memory in our records, opposite to which are resolutions passed by this Commandery. At a later meeting, General Order No. 1, of Grand Commander DRUMMOND, regarding his death, was received and spread upon the records, and also a series of resolutions from the Encampments of St. John. The report of his death, in the proceedings of the Grand Commandery, was noticed in the proceedings of almost all the Grand Commanderies of the country.

EXCURSION TO SACO.

On Wednesday, September 11th, directly after the State election, Portland and St. Alban, in response to an invitation from the Biddeford Knights, made an excursion to Saco, where they were met by Bradford Commandery and escorted to the steamer Augusta, which took them to Ferry Beach Grove. The day was warm enough for comfort, though overcast. A breakfast was served at eleven o'clock and a lunch at three. Amusements and music from Chandler's and Biddeford Bands made an agreeable day, and at 4:30 they took the steamer again for a sail down to the Pool and the return to Saco. After a short parade at Saco the Portland Commanderies returned to this city, arriving at the armory just in season to escape a drenching shower. Forty-seven men were in the ranks of this Commandery.



Chapter XII.

EXCURSION TO PROVIDENCE AND NEWPORT.

1878. At the October meeting the Commander announced the death of Sir A. Oscar Noyes, who died at his home in Norway, October 13th, and stated that he attended the funeral on the 15th, when the usual floral offering was made. He was knighted in this Commandery April 7, 1871.

The annual meeting fell on November 25th. The report of the Finance Committee showed the former indebtedness wiped out and over $1,100 in the Treasury, of which $534 was invested in a City bond. There had been twenty-one candidates, with four affiliates, while six had died: A. M. Burton, F. J. Littlefield, I. C. Nesmith, A. O. Noyes, J. S. Bedlow, George Taylor, and the present number of members was 219.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Joseph Y. Hodsdon, C.
Leander W. Fobes, Gen.
Frank H. Swett, C. G.
Wm. E. Gibbs, Prelate.
C. Fobes, Treasurer.
John S. Harris, Recorder.
A. S. Hinds, S. W.
F. E. Allen, J. W.
W. G. Davis, Trustee.

The Prelate, in behalf of the members, presented the retiring Commander, John C. Small, with a Past Commander's Jewel of solid gold. Grand Commander Drummond installed the officers, the following being the

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Geo. W. Leighton, St. B.
Aaron Hodsdon, Warder.
C. C. Hayes, Armorer.
C. C. Bedlow, Sw. B.
C. J. Farrington, 3d Guard.
O. M. Metcalf, 2d Guard.
G. E. Raymond, 1st Guard.
G. M. Howe, Organist.

At the February meeting the Commander announced the death, by paralysis, February 17th, of EBEN S. STEVENS. He joined in March, 1866, and his age was 52 years, 6 months. During this same month the widow of JAMES C. CHURCHILL died at the age of 87 years, 6 months; January 16th, the widow of SETH CLARK had died at the age of 81 years; and March 20th, the widow of WILLIAM KIMBALL died, aged 78 years.

1879.

At the March meeting STEPHEN BERRY was appointed as a committee to write a history of the Commandery.

On October 18th, Dr. MOSES DODGE died at the age of 67 years, 7 months. He was born at Sedgwick, March 9, 1812, graduated at Bowdoin College in 1838 and came to Portland in 1846. He received the Orders in Portland Commandery March 24, 1851, and was its Commander in the years 1854–5–6–7–8–9–60–1, and Grand Commander in 1866–7–8. He was Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge from 1853 until his death. Although he joined in forming two new Commanderies, he retained his connection with Portland Commandery through honorary membership, and always held it in high esteem. He was buried from the First Baptist Church October 21st, Portland, St. Alban and Blanquefort Commanderies escorting the Grand Lodge.

The annual meeting came on November 24th. There was a balance of only $106.74 in the treasury, a financial reverse having occurred during the year; but the $500 bond was safe. Eleven had been knighted.

The following officers were elected:

JOSEPH Y. HODSDON, C.	CHAS. FOBES, Treasurer.
LEANDER W. FOBES, Gen.	JOHN S. RUSSELL, Recorder.
FRANK H. SWETT, C. G.	FRANK E. ALLEN, S. W.
WM. E. GIBBS, Prelate.	AARON HODSDON, J. W.

They were installed December 22d, by Past Grand Commander GORDON, and the following appointed:

G. W. LEIGHTON, St. B.	EMERY S. RIDLON, 2d Guard.
C. J. FARRINGTON, Sw. B.	CHAS. H. KIMBALL, 1st "
AARON HODSDON, Warder.	C. C. HAYES, Armorer.
JOHN E. SAWYER, 3d Guard.	G. M. HOWE, Organist.

At the March meeting, the Commander announced the death of the Rev. HENRY C. LEONARD, which took place at
1880. Annisquam, Mass., March 6th. He was a Universalist minister, and preached in Thomaston, in 1842, for five years; later in Waterville, and in April, 1874, when he was knighted in this Commandery, he was preaching in Deering. He was Chaplain in General HOWARD'S regiment during the rebellion, and much endeared himself to the soldiers. As an author, he attained some reputation, his book on Cape Ann scenery having attracted much attention.

On April 23d, the officers attended the funeral of WILLIAM H. LOTHROP, who died April 21st. He received the orders in May, 1878, and was thirty-eight years old at his death. He was a member of the firm of Woodman, True & Co., and left a wife and four boys.

On April 30th, the Red Cross Order was given to six candidates, in the presence of a large assemblage of Templars, including nineteen from Bath.

On May 24th, a new draft of by-laws was adopted, and they were ordered to be printed. It was voted to visit Providence on St. John's Day, and a Committee of Arrangements was appointed.

JOHN DAIN, who was the first candidate in Portland Commandery, having received the Order of the Temple June 14, 1847, died May 31st, aged 89 years and 11 months. He was buried June 2d, the masonic bodies of which he was a member being well represented. He was initiated in Ancient Landmark Lodge, June 13, 1844, and became a charter member of Atlantic Lodge. He was Tyler of the Grand Lodge from 1847 until 1860, inclusive, and Sentinel of the Grand Chapter from the death of ISAAC DAVIS, in 1856, until May, 1861, when CHARLES SAMPSON, Superintendent of Halls, succeeded him. He was Sentinel of the Grand Commandery in 1857 and 1858, and of the Grand Council 1857–8–9 and '60. He took a lively interest in Masonry until the last, and attended the Commandery meetings frequently in his last years. He was Commissary of this Commandery for many years, Sentinel in 1856, and Standard Bearer in 1857–8–9–'60.

On Wednesday, June 23d, Portland Commandery, sixty-eight strong, with Chandler's Band, started at noon for Providence, where they were received and entertained by St. John's Commandery, a delegation of whom escorted the Commandery to its quarters at the Narragansett Hotel. On the 24th, they proceeded to Newport, starting at eight o'clock in the morning on the steamer Crystal Wave. Arriving at Newport at 10:45, they were met by Eminent Commander W. G. Stevens, and a few of the Knights of Washington Commandery, who escorted them to their asylum, where a collation of fruit and ices was served.

Portland Commandery dined at the Ocean House, entertaining the officers of Washington Commandery.

The early afternoon was spent in driving through the avenues and along the beach of the famous watering place, and at half past four the party returned to Providence, arriving there at 6:30. They were met by the Springfield Commandery, 114 strong, who had visited Newport the preceding day, and by a delegation from St. John's Commandery, and escorted to their quarters.

At 7:30 the lines were again formed, and in fatigue uniform, with the Springfield Commandery, under escort of St. John's Commandery, they marched to Exchange Place, where the cars took them to Park Garden, of which Sir Knight Reeves, of Calvary Commandery, was manager. Here a very pleasant entertainment closed with a display of masonic emblems in fireworks. Returning to the city, they were escorted to Howard Hall, where the tables were spread for over three hundred guests. Commander William Husband, of St. John's Commandery, tendered a hearty greeting to the fratres of Springfield and Portland, which was responded to by Commanders Chaplin, of Springfield, and Hodsdon, of Portland.

The morning of Friday, the 25th, was spent in social calls. In the afternoon the Commandery returned to Portland, arriving at 7:50. Here they were received by St. Alban Commandery, and escorted to the armory, in an unwelcome but not severe shower of rain. On this occasion all but three of the officers were in their places.

The annual meeting occurred November 22d. The Finance Committee reported almost $200 in the treasury and $1,000 invested. The Recorder reported that thirteen meetings had been held, at four of which work had been done. There had been nine candidates; four members had died, two dimitted and the present number was 223. The Armorer reported that 133 costumes were owned in the Commandery.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

Leander W. Fobes, C.	John S. Russell, Recorder.
William E. Gibbs, Gen.	Aaron Hodsdon, S. W.
Oscar M. Metcalf, C. G.	John E. Sawyer, J. W.
Franklin Fox, Prelate.	William G. Davis, Trustee.
Charles Fobes, Treasurer.	

At the December meeting, on St. John's Day, Past Commander Franklin Fox, who had been elected Prelate, sent in his declination, and the Generalissimo elect, Rev. William E. Gibbs, declined the office to which he had been chosen. A new election was ordered (a dispensation having been obtained for that purpose), and Frank E. Allen was elected Generalissimo, and William E. Gibbs Prelate. The officers were installed by Past Commander Stephen Berry, the following appointments having been made:

OFFICERS APPOINTED.

Geo. W. Leighton, St. B.	Wm. S. Corey, 1st Guard.
Thomas P. Shaw, Sw. B.	C. C. Hayes, Armorer.
Geo. E. Raymond, Warder.	Geo. M. Howe, Organist.
Frank A. Clarke, 3d Guard.	Warren Phillips, Sentinel.
Geo. M. Moore, 2d Guard.	

At the close of the installation services the Prelate, in behalf of the members, with some eloquent and brief remarks, presented to the retiring Commander, Sir Joseph Y. Hodsdon, a Past Commander's jewel of solid gold. The recipient feelingly responded.

The observance of Christmas this year should not be forgotten. It has long been a custom with members of this Commandery to pledge each other and absent friends in unison at noon, Washington time, on Christmas day. On this occasion sixty Templars assembled in the Armory, and, after reading letters and telegrams

from distinguished Templars in all parts of the country, who had agreed to join in the ceremony, at the appointed instant the ceremony was punctually performed. Before the meeting broke up, telegrams began to arrive from absent members who had joined their fratres in the spirit.

The close of 1880 finds Portland Commandery with 223 members. Of the fourteen charter members in 1847, only three are now living: CHARLES FOBES, JOHN B. COYLE and MARCIAN SEAVEY. All the Past Commanders of King Darius Council and Maine Encampment are dead, as are the first four Commanders of Portland Commandery. The other nine succeeding Commanders, commencing with WILLIAM P. PREBLE in 1864, are all living. The Rolls of Membership, which follow, will be found of great interest, especially those of Darius Council and Maine Encampment, although these two are both imperfect.

In commencing this work, it was not supposed possible that any information could be obtained in regard to Darius Council, and but little in regard to Maine Encampment, as the records of both are lost and not a vestige of their papers could be found; but careful search turned up so many traces that it is plain that we have rescued nearly everything of importance.

Having demonstrated that our Order was introduced into Portland in 1805, before any State Grand Body was formed, that our local Body took part in the formation of the General Grand Encampment of the United States in 1816, and that it has had an uninterrupted existence until the present time, we may fairly claim a place among the Elders. Only eight Encampments assisted in the formation of the General Grand Encampment in 1816, and there were then only 500 Templars in the country. Portland now has that number in her three Commanderies. Then, four per cent. of the Templars of the country were in Portland, now, only one per cent.; yet probably no city in the world can show a larger percentage, compared with the population.

It is unfortunate that Portland should have given away her birthright to Gardiner: but we are sure that Maine Commandery will be content with the precedence thus fortunately gained, and

the undisputed title of elder sister, without opposing the claim of Portland to have organized and maintained the Order in this State for the first half of the century,—since the very men who started that Commandery in Gardiner took the orders in Portland Commandery in 1853 and 1854, six years after the organization of this Body.



LIST OF OFFICERS

COMMANDERS.

KING DARIUS COUNCIL.

John Coe, 1805–7.
James Dean Hopkins, 1808–16.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Rev. Solomon Sias, 1821.
Joseph M. Gerrish, 1824.
Samuel Fessenden, 1825.
Thomas S. Bowles, 1826–8.
Samuel Fessenden, 1845–6.
Charles B. Smith, 1852–4.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Charles B. Smith, 1847–50.
Freeman Bradford, 1851–3.
Moses Dodge, 1854–61.
Stevens Smith, 1862–3.
William P. Preble, 1864.
Franklin Fox, 1865–7.
Stephen Berry, Mch. '68, Dec. '68–9.
Seth C. Gordon, 1870–1.
Orrin S. Fogg, 1872.
Frank G. Stevens, 1873–4.
John C. Small, 1875–7.
Joseph Y. Hodsdon, 1878–9.
Leander W. Fobes, 1880.

GENERALISSIMOS.

KING DARIUS COUNCIL.

William Swan was probably Generalissimo from 1807 to 1814, but the Constitution gives his position, First General, as Senior Warden.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

James Dean Hopkins, 1821.
Eleazer Wyer, 1824.
Nelson Racklyft, 1825–8.
Charles B. Smith, 1845.
John C. Humphreys, 1853–4.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

James C. Churchill, 1847–8.
Nelson Racklyft, 1849.
William Kimball, 1850–2.
Thomas J. Sanborn, 1853–4.
Charles B. Smith, 1855–6.
William P. Preble, Jr., 1857–61.
Harrison B. Brown, 1862.
Josiah H. Drummond, 1863.
Peter B. Frost, 1864–5.
Stephen Berry, 1866–7.
George A. Head, 1868–Dec. '68.
Seth C. Gordon, 1869.
Orrin S. Fogg, 1870–1.
Frank G. Stevens, 1872.
John C. Small, 1873–4.
Joseph Y. Hodsdon, 1875–7.
Leander W. Fobes, 1878–9.
Frank E. Allen, 1880.

CAPTAIN GENERALS.

KING DARIUS COUNCIL.

Isaac Gage was probably Captain General from 1807 to 1814, but the Constitution gives his position, Second General, as Junior Warden.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Stephen Foster, 1821.
Nelson Racklyft, 1824.
Charles B. Smith, 1825–8.
Nelson Racklyft, 1845.
John Purinton, 1852–4.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Nelson Racklyft, 1847–8.
William Kimball, 1849.
John Russell, Jr., 1850–1.
Thomas J. Sanborn, 1852.
John C. Baker, 1853–4.
Andrew P. Stinson, 1855–7.
Stevens Smith, 1858–61.
Peter B. Frost, 1862–3.
Marquis F. King, 1864.
Stephen Berry, 1865.
Harrison B. Brown, 1866.
George A. Head, 1867.
Seth C. Gordon, Mch. '68–Dec. '68.
Orrin S. Fogg, 1869.
Edward C. Swett, 1870.
Frank G. Stevens, 1871.
John C. Small, 1872.
Joseph Y. Hodsdon, 1873–4.
Leander W. Fobes, 1875–7.
Frank H. Swett, 1878–9.
Oscar M. Metcalf, 1880.

PRELATES.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Rev. Thomas M. Smith, 1824.
" Samuel Rand, 1825–8.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings, 1845.
Marcian Seavey, 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Cyrus Cummings, 1847–59.
Henry C. Lovell, 1860–1.
Ira Berry, 1862.
Warren Phillips, 1863.
William Atwood, 1864.
Ebenezer Wentworth, 1865.
John B. Fillebrown, 1866.
Thomas M. Giveen, 1867–8.
Frank E. Allen, Dec. 1868–9.
William E. Gibbs, 1870–80.

SENIOR WARDENS.

KING DARIUS COUNCIL.

William Swan, 1807–8–9–10–11–12–13–14.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Samuel Fessenden, 1824.
Horace Seaver, 1825.
David Burbank, 1826–8.
Eleazer Wyer, 1845.
Chas. Megquier, 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Alexander H. Putney, 1847–8.
Freeman Bradford, 1849–50.
Thomas J. Sanborn, 1851.
John Russell, Jr., 1852.
William Andrews, 1853–4.
William P. Preble, Jr., 1855–6.
Stevens Smith, 1857.
Ira Berry, 1858–9.
Harrison B. Brown, 1860–1.
Frederick R. Harris, 1862.
Marquis F. King, 1863.
Stephen Berry, 1864.
Harrison B. Brown, 1865.
Marshall N. Rich, 1866.
Ira Berry, Jr., 1867–8.
Edward C. Swett, December, 1868.
Frank G. Stevens, 1869–70.
Geo. P. Gross, 1871.
Joseph Y. Hodsdon, 1872.
Emmons Chapman, 1873–4.
A. M. Benson, 1875.
Frank H. Swett, 1876–7.
Aurelius S. Hinds, 1878.
Frank E. Allen, 1879.
Aaron Hodsdon, 1880.

JUNIOR WARDENS.

DARIUS COUNCIL.

Isaac Gage, 1807–8–9–10–11–12–13–14.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Charles B. Smith, 1824.
Samuel L. Raymond, 1825.
Horace Seaver, 1826–8.
Seth Clark, 1845.
Thomas P. Tufts, 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Freeman Bradford, 1847–8.
James R. Milliken, 1849–50.
Moses Dodge, 1851–3.
Stevens Smith, 1854–6.
Ira Berry, 1857.
Harrison B. Brown, 1858–9.
John B. Fillebrown, 1860.
Marquis F. King, 1861.
William W. Davis, 1862.
John B. Fillebrown, 1863.
William Ross, Jr., 1864.
Marshall N. Rich, 1865.
Orrin S. Fogg, 1866–7.
Edward C. Swett, 1868.
Frank G. Stevens, Dec. 1868.
George W. Parker, 1869.
George P. Gross, 1870.
John C. Small, 1871.
Emmons Chapman, 1872.
Aurelius S. Hinds, 1873–7.
Frank E. Allen, 1878.
Aaron Hodsdon, 1879.
John E. Sawyer, 1880..

TREASURERS.

KING DARIUS COUNCIL.

William Cross, 1807–8–9–10–11–12–13–14.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Oliver S. Hartshorn, 1824–8.
William Lord, 1845.
Joseph M. Gerrish, 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Henry H. Boody, 1847.
Charles Fobes, 1848–80.

RECORDERS.

KING DARIUS COUNCIL.

William Lord, 1807–8.
John Prichard, 1810–14.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

William Lord, 1824–8.
Arthur Shirley, 1845–9.
A. L. Emerson Clapp, 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Marcian Seavey, 1847.
Richard W. Kennard, Dec. '47–'57.
Isaac C. Nesmith, 1858–62.
Ira Berry, 1863–67.
Marshall N. Rich, 1868.
Leander W. Fobes, Dec. 1868.
Ira Berry, Jr., 1869–72.
John S. Harris, 1873–78.
John S. Russell, 1879–80.

STANDARD BEARERS.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Arthur Shirley, 1824–8.
Seth Clark, 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

James R. Milliken, 1847–8.
Thomas B. Parsons, 1849–50.
John F. Purinton, 1851.
James R. Milliken, 1852–4.
Franklin Fox, 1855–6.
John Dain, 1857–60.
Jerome B. Fickett, 1861–6.
George W. Parker, 1867.
Frank G. Stevens, 1868.
Cyrus B. Abbott, 1869–75.
George W. Leighton, 1876–80.

SWORD BEARERS.

DARIUS COUNCIL.

Stephen Foster, 1807–8–9–10–11–12–13–14.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Joseph Harrod, 1824–8.
Stephen Swett, 1845.
Moody F. Walker, 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Moses Clark, 1847.
John Purinton, 1848.
Allen Haines, 1849.
John Purinton, 1850.
William W. Sweat, 1851.
John B. Coyle, 1852.
Amos E. Howell, 1853.
Franklin Fox, 1854–5.
Allen Haines, 1856.
Stephen Berry, 1857–9.
Edmund Phinney, 1860–1.
Charles F. Thrasher, 1862–3.
Dorville Libby, 1864–5.
Daniel W. Miller, 1866.
Albion Keith, 1867–72.
George R. Shaw, 1873.
Charles B. Belknap, 1874.
Fred. F. Hale, 1875–7.
Charles C. Bedlow, 1878.
Clayton J. Farrington, 1879.
Thomas P. Shaw, 1880.

WARDERS.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Seth Clark, 1824–5.
Eben Seaver, 1826–8.
Artemas Carter, Jr., 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

William Kimball, 1847–8.
John B. Coyle, 1849.
Daniel Winslow, 1850.
Frederick W. Nichols, 1851.
William W. Sweat, 1852.
Stevens Smith, 1853.
Andrew P. Stinson, 1854.
Ira Berry, 1855–6.
Franklin Fox, 1857.
Warren Phillips, 1858–9.
Stephen Berry, 1860–3.
Gordon R. Garden, 1864.
Samuel Kyle, 1865–6.
William A. Barker, 1867–8.
George P. Gross, 1869.
John C. Small, 1870.
Joseph Y. Hodsdon, 1871.
Aurelius S. Hinds, 1872.
Leander W. Fobes, 1873–4.
Frank E. Allen, 1875–7.
Aaron Hodsdon, 1878–9.
George E. Raymond, 1880.

GUARDS.

DARIUS COUNCIL.

Robert Strong, 1810–11–12.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

Nehemiah Cram, Horace Seaver, Samuel L. Raymond, 1824.
Nehemiah Cram, Luther Richardson, Stephen Swett, 1825.
Seth Clark, Eleazer Wyer, Nehemiah Cram, 1826–7–8.
Arthur Shirley, William Lord, Stephen Swett, 1845.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Charles Fobes, John B. Coyle, 1847.
John B. Coyle, Daniel Winslow, Jonathan Swett, 1848.
Daniel Winslow, Thomas J. Sanborn, Jonathan Swett, 1849.
John B. Coyle, Thomas J. Sanborn, A. E. Howell, 1850.
James R. Milliken, Augustus H. Gilman, Franklin Fox, 1851.
Daniel Winslow, Thomas G. Young, Jonathan Swett, 1852.
Edward B. Robinson, A. P. Stinson, 1853.
Amos E. Howell, David Averill, Edward B. Robinson, 1854.
Amos E. Howell, David Averill, 1855.
Freeman Bradford, John C. Baker, Hermann Kotzschmar, 1856.
H. B. Brown, J. Ambrose Merrill, Rufus Stanley, 1857.
John C. Baker, J. Ambrose Merrill, Rufus Stanley, 1858.
J. Ambrose Merrill, Rufus Stanley, J. B. Fillebrown, 1859.
J. Ambrose Merrill, Geo. H. Chadwick, M. F. King, 1860.
J. Ambrose Merrill, Geo. H. Chadwick, Edward A. Bailey, 1861.
J. Ambrose Merrill, Thomas Richardson, Samuel Kyle, 1862.

Gordon R. Garden, J. Ambrose Merrill, William Ross, Jr., 1863.
G. M. Moulton, J. L. Boothby, Albion Keith, 1864.
Franklin Crawford, George E. Ross, George L. Goodale, 1865.
William E. Short, Jr., George A. Head, Albion Keith, 1866.
George P. Gross, John C. Small, Joseph Y. Hodsdon, 1867–8.
John C. Small, Joseph Y. Hodsdon, Daniel F. Emery, Jr., 1869.
Joseph Y. Hodsdon, Emmons Chapman, Andrew S. Sawyer, 1870.
Aurelius S. Hinds, Fred. F. Hale, George R. Shaw, 1871.
Fred. F. Hale, George R. Shaw, John S. Harris, 1872.
Fred. F. Hale, James F. Hawkes, Charles B. Belknap, 1873.
Frank H. Swett, Fred. F. Hale, Henry F. Perry, 1874.
Henry F. Perry, Frank H. Jordan, Aaron Hodsdon, 1875.
Henry F. Perry, Aaron Hodsdon, Henry H. Lowell, 1876–7.
Clayton J. Farrington, Oscar M. Metcalf, George E. Raymond, 1878.
John E. Sawyer, Emery S. Ridlon, Charles H. Kimball, 1879.
Frank A. Clarke, George M. Moore, William S. Corey, 1880.

SENTINELS.

KING DARIUS COUNCIL.

William Stevens, 1807–8, and probably until the re-organization.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

John Leach, 1824–5–6–7–8.
Isaac Davis, 1853.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

Isaac Davis, 1847–8–9–50–1–2–3–4–5.
John Dain, 1856.
Charles Sampson, 1857–8–9–60–1–2–3–4.
Warren Phillips, 1865–6–7–8–9–70–1–2–3–4–5–6–7–8–9–80.

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

DARIUS COUNCIL.

ORDER TEMPLE.

Stephen Foster, in Boston Enc., June 8, 1805; died April 26, 1824.
John Coe, died Aug. 20, 1847.
William Swan, died Sept. 18, 1853.
Isaac Gage, died December, 1826.
William Cross, died ———.
Robert Strong, died ———.
James D. Hopkins, died June 17, 1840.
George Bonnell, died ———.
William Stevens, died March, 1834.
William Lord, died Sept. 11, 1854.
John Prichard, died Jan. 20, 1823.
Rufus Washburn, died ———.
Martin Ruter, R. C. 1812, K. T. Boston Enc., March 10, 1813; died ———.

MAINE ENCAMPMENT.

ORDER TEMPLE.

James D. Hopkins, d. June 17, 1840.
Oliver Bray, Boston Encampment, June 14, 1808; d. Dec. 26, 1823.
Stephen Swett, Boston Encampment, Nov. 13, 1815; d. March 8, 1849.
Daniel Hunt.
Solomon Sias, St. John's Encampment, Providence, 1818; d. Feb. 12, 1853.
John Wildrage, Boyne Lodge, 156, Kinsale, Ireland, May 1, 1794; d. April 23, 1831.
George McLellan.
Nelson Racklyft, d. Jan. 3, 1855.

John Leach, June 11, 1821; d. Oct. 5, 1836.
Oliver Pierce, June 20, 1821.
Rev. Thos. M. Smith, Nov. 4, 1823.
Samuel Fessenden, Nov. 24, 1823; d. March 19, 1869.
Horace Seaver, Nov. 24, 1823; d. in Boston, April, 1858.
Samuel L. Raymond, Nov. 24, 1823; d. in Cuba.
Samuel Woods, Jan. 2, 1824.
Charles B. Smith, Jan. 2, 1824; d. Aug. 1, 1862.
William Lord, Jan. 2, 1824; d. Sept. 11, 1854.
Rev. Jona. Greenleaf, Jan. 12, 1824; d. April, 1865.
Rev. Cyrus Cummings, March 8, 1824; d. Sept. 9, 1859.
Rev. Samuel Rand, Feb. 9, 1824; d. Oct. 10, 1830.
Robert P. Dunlap, Feb. 9, 1824; died October 20, 1859.
Luther Richardson, Feb. 10, 1824; expelled from Lodge, 1828.
Arthur Shirley, d. Jan. 21, 1864.
Joseph Harrod, d. October, 1876, aged 96.
Seth Clark, d. Aug. 13, 1871.
Nehemiah Cram, d. May 18, 1863.
Joseph M. Gerrish, d. April 29, 1853.
Rev. Geo. D. Boardman, March 1, 1825.
Rev. Phineas Crandall, March 23, 1825.
Rev. Asa Mead, April 15, 1825.
Rev. Geo. W. Campbell, April 15, 1825.
Nathaniel Coffin, June 10, 1825; d. April 7, 1864.
Thomas S. Bowles, d. at Bath, July 26, 1851.
Oliver S. Hartshorn, d. August 28, 1859.
Eleazer Wyer, d. Feb. 29, 1848.
David Burbank, Jan. 26, 1827.
Eben Seaver, March 29, 1826; d. in New York, 1840.
Ephraim Willey.
Abisha Bruson, Feb. 9, 1826.
John H. Ingraham, Jan. 18, 1827.
Luke Whitney, July 3, 1827.
Henry S. Smith, July 3, 1827.
Asa H. Seavey (Marcian), Red Cross, Feb. 11, 1828.
John C. Humphreys, d. June 18, 1865.
Charles Megquier.
Thomas P. Tufts, Saco; d. Oct. 13, 1853.
A. L. Emerson Clapp (Portland Commandery).
M. F. Walker.
Abner B. Thompson, Boston Encampment, March, 1845; d. Aug. 4, 1871.
A. Carter, Jr., probably 1845; d. May 8, 1862.
Isaac Davis, " " d. May 18, 1856.
James C. Churchill, " " d. Nov. 20, 1865.

Henry H. Boody, probably 1845; d. Jan. 12, 1853.
Freeman Bradford, " " d. Oct. 23, 1873.
Charles Fobes, " "
Daniel Winslow, " " d. Dec. 6, 1876.
John B. Coyle, " "
Alexander H. Putney, " " d. in California.
James R. Milliken, " "
Moses Clark, d. ———.
William Kimball, d. March 24, 1868.
Arthur McArthur, Limington, was a Templar, and probably received the orders in Maine Encampment, as he took the Chapter degrees in Mount Vernon in 1820; d. Nov. 29, 1874.

PORTLAND COMMANDERY.

CHARTER MEMBERS.

1 Charles B. Smith, Maine Enc., Jan. 2, 1824; d. Aug. 1, '62.
2 James C. Churchill, Maine Encampment; d. Nov. 20, '65.
3 Nelson Racklyft, Maine Encampment; d. Jan. 3, '55.
4 Alexander H. Putney, Maine Encampment; d. in California, Sept., '61.
5 Freeman Bradford, Maine Encampment; d. Oct. 23, '73.
6 Charles Fobes, Maine Encampment, Hon. June, '71.
7 Marcian Seavey, Maine Enc.; dimitted—again admitted April 28, '62; Hon. June,' 71.
8 John B. Coyle, Maine Encampment, Hon. June 26, '71.
9 James R. Milliken, Maine Encampment; expelled Sept. 3, '55.
10 Moses Clark, Maine Encampment; d. ———.
11 Cyrus Cummings, Maine Encampment; d. Sept. 9, '59.
12 Henry H. Boody, Maine Encampment; d. Jan. 12, '53.
13 William Kimball, Maine Encampment; d. March 24, '68.
14 Isaac Davis, Maine Encampment; d. May 18, '56.

ORDER OF TEMPLE.

15 John Dain, June 14, '47; d. May 31, '80, aged 89 y.
16 Jonathan Swett, June 17, '47; d. ———.
17 Samuel M. Brackett, June 28, '47.
18 Daniel Winslow, Maine Enc.; membership July 19, '47; d. Dec. 6, 1876.
19 Benjamin Whitehouse, July 19, '47; d. Jan. 10, '79.
20 John Purinton, Aug. 16, '47; d. May 29, '66, aged 78.

21 Richard W. Kennard, Nov. 8, '47; struck from roll Nov. 28, '70; d. April 19, '77, aged 69.
22 John D. McCrate, Waldoborough, Nov. 11, '47; not a member.
23 Francis Osgood, of Saco, Nov. 22, '47; lost at sea.
24 Thomas J. Sanborn, Feb. 28, '48; Honorary Feb. 26, '72; d. June 9, '75. at Concord.
25 Eaton Shaw, April 3, '48; not a member.
26 William Stockbridge, of Bayou Sara, La., March 5, '49; not a member.
27 James F. Young, March 5, '49; d. ———; not a member.
28 Samuel B. Reed, March 12, '49; never signed.
29 Allen Haines, April 6, '49; dimitted Nov. 25, '72; d. Jan. 15, '78.
30 Thomas B. Parsons, April 23, '49; d. Oct. 23, '70.
31 Selah G. Dennis, of Thomaston, May 1, '49; not a member.
32 John Williams, of Bangor, May 2, '49; not a member; d. June 16, '68.
33 Timothy Chase, of Belfast, May 2, '49; not a member; d. March 6, '75.
34 Joseph C. Stevens, of Bangor, May 2, '49; St. John's Commandery.
35 Jabez True, of Bangor, May 3, '49; d. April 5, '69.
36 A. L. Emerson Clapp, May 18, '49; dimitted Dec. 9, 1851.
37 Reuben Ordway, May 28, '49; not a member.
38 Frederick W. Nichols, June 11, '49; d. June 5, '63, aged 49.
39 William Burton, of Gorham, June 15, '49; not a member.
40 Andrias M. Cedarbloom, June 18, '49; d. in Cuba.
41 Thomas B. Johnston, of Wiscasset, June 22, '49; not a member; d. Nov. 25, '81.
42 Ezra Jewell, June 22, '49; drowned July 29, '76.
43 Amos E. Howell, May 1, '50.
44 John Russell, Jr., May 13, '50; d. Dec. 9, '71.
45 Thomas G. Young, July 22, '50; d. Nov. 1, '75.
46 William W. Sweat, Aug. 12, '50; struck from roll Nov. 28, '70; d. in New Bedford, July 29, '72; buried by Sutton Commandery July 31.
47 Franklin Fox, Nov. 25, '50. Honorary.
48 John F. Purinton, Jan 13, '51; d. Oct. 17, '56.
49 Joseph Covell, of Jay, Feb. 3, '51; dimitted July 24, '65; d. March 7, '66.
50 Moses Dodge, March 24, '51; dimitted May 2, '66; d. Oct. 18, '79, aged 67 y. 7 m.
51 Augustus H. Gilman, June 19, '51; never signed.
52 James H. Huckins, Oct. 3, '51; not a member.
53 John C. Baker, April 25, '53.
54 Andrew J. Whitney, April 27, '53; not a member.
55 Daniel K. Kennedy, of Wiscasset, May 2, '53; not a member.
56 Stevens Smith, May 3, '53; d. Aug. 20, '64.
57 William Andrews, June 3, '53; suspended Sept. 14, '53.
58 Edward B. Robinson, June 6, '53; dimitted Oct. 22, '77.
59 D. P. Baker, of Windham, June 10, '53; not a member.

60 Andrew P. Stinson, June 13, '53; d. March 18, '60.
61 David Averill, June 14, '53.
62 Cyril Pearl, July 26, '53; d. Feb. 19, '65.
63 Joshua W. Littlefield, of Auburn, Sept. 5, '53; never signed.
64 Joshua D. Warren, of Pittston, Sept. 9, '53; not a member.
65 C. Warren Whitmore, of Gardiner, Sept. 9, '53; not a member.
66 Edmund A. Chadwick, of Gardiner, Sept. 9, '53; joined Maine Commandery; d. April 20, '75.
67 Francis H. Weymouth, of Gardiner, April 20, '54; not a member.
68 Marion F. Marble, of Gardiner, April 20, '54; not a member.
69 Daniel C. Palmer, of Gardiner, Sept. 25, '54; Red Cross only.
70 Reuel W. Lawson, of Richmond, Oct. 9, '54; Maine Commandery.
71 James M. Kelley, of Richmond, Oct. 9, '54; Maine Commandery.
72 Daniel Clark, Jr., of Richmond, Oct. 9, '54; joined Maine Commandery.
73 Charles E. Blake, Oct. 23, '54; not a member.
74 Ira Berry, Dec. 7, '54; Honorary Jan. 27, '73.
75 Stephen W. Eaton, Dec. 11, '54; d. March 5, '77.
76 W. P. Preble, Jr., Jan. 22, '55; Honorary; dimitted May 2, '66.
77 Sumner B. Chase, Feb. 26, '55; dimitted Nov. 26, '60; d. Nov. 5, '66.
78 Edward P. Burnham, of Saco, April 9, '55; charter member Bradford Commandery.
79 Samuel J. Lord, of Saco, June 5, '55; not a member.
80 Oliver B. Dorrance, Sept. 3, '55; deprived of membership Dec. 12, '71; d. Oct. 23, '73.
81 Oliver H. Perry, Sept. 14, '55; d. '70.
82 Daniel W. Fessenden, Nov. 26, '55; never signed.
83 George Haslet, Nov. 26, '55; dimitted May 25, '57.
84 Thomas S. Condon, Dec. 4, '55; d. Aug. 12, '58, at sea.
85 Hermann Kotzschmar, Dec. 24, '55.
86 William A. Pearce, Dec. 24 '55; never signed.
87 Thomas Lowell, Jan. 28, '56; dimitted Dec. 26, '70.
88 Elbridge G. Briggs, April 28, '56; d. '61.
89 James Smith, of Wiscasset, April 29, '56; not a member.
90 Edward M. Patten, June 23, '56; Hon. April 27, '74.
91 Presbury West, 3d, Lancaster, N. H., Oct. 22, '56; North Star Commandery.
92 John W. Barney, Lancaster, N. H., Oct. 22, '56; North Star Commandery.
93 George F. Hartwell, Lancaster, N. H., Oct. 22, '56; North Star Commandery.
94 Stephen Berry, Nov. 24, '56.
95 Levi L. Batchelder, Nov. 24, '56; dimitted Nov. 26, '60.
96 Harrison B. Brown, Nov. 24, '56.
97 M. B. C. Files, Dec. 22, '56; not a member.
98 Rufus Stanley, Dec. 22, '56; dimitted May 2, '66.

99 Henry C. Lovell, Feb. 23, '56; dimitted May 23, '70.
100 Charles Sampson, Feb. 23, '56; dimitted May 2, '66; d. at New Gloucester, July 11, '77, aged 57.
101 Jonathan Ambrose Merrill, March 23, '57; dimitted May 2, '66.
102 Henry Cox, April 13, '57; dimitted Jan. 23, '60.
103 Jonathan Ignatius Stevens, Gorham, April 13, '57; not a member, d. ———.
104 Alfred M. Burton, April 21, '57; d. Nov. 29, '77, aged 53 y. 8 m.
105 Richard P. Jenness, April 21, '57; killed by cars Dec. 5, '78.
106 Timothy J. Murray, Saco, April 27, '57; Bradford Commandery.
107 Joseph Stevens, Saco, April 27, '57; Bradford Commandery.
108 James A. Stafford, Biddeford, April 27, '57; Bradford Commandery.
109 John R. Tufts, Biddeford, April 27, '57; Bradford Commandery.
110 Augustus Blanchard, May 25, '57; dimitted Feb. 22, '64.
111 Augustus L. Dennison, May 25, '57; dimitted May 2, '66, charter member St. Alban Commandery.
112 Nathan J. Davis, June 22, '57; d. Oct. 30, '75.
113 Thomas O. Goold, Nov. 23, '57; d. May 19, '81, aged 68 y.
114 Edward H. Fennessey, Nov. 23, '57; never signed.
115 John B. Fillebrown, Feb. 22, '58; dimitted Oct. 24, '70.
116 Frederick Fox, Feb. 26, '58; dimitted Dec. 24, '60.
117 Warren Phillips, June 29, '58; dimitted May 2, '66; d. April 5, '82; aged 68.
118 Jabez M. Knight, June 29, '58; d. May 15, '70.
119 Charles H. Chase, June 29, '58.
120 Sewall Waterhouse, June 29, '58; dimitted Jan. 27, '68; d. Dec. 6, '77, aged 72.
121 William Porter Chase, June 30, '58; d. Feb. 6, '67, aged 33.
122 Isaac C. Nesmith, June 30, '58; d. May, '78.
123 Edmund Phinney, June 30, '58; dimitted May 2, '66; re-admitted Nov. 23, '68.
124 Henry H. Furbish, June 30, '58.
125 Charles H. Adams, July 1, '58; d. Aug. 27, '76.
126 Christopher Way, of Gorham, July 1, '58; d. ———; not a member.
127 Isaac Ingersoll, Aug. 23, '58; d. April 27, '70, aged 72.
128 James Freeman, July 25, 1859; dimitted May 2, '66; d. April 23, '76.
129 Joshua S. Palmer, Oct 22, '59; dimitted Dec. 26, '70.
130 Edmund Libby, Jan. 23, '60; dimitted May 2, '66.
131 Philip H. Brown, Jan. 23, '60.
132 Edward S. Dyer, Feb. 27, '60; not a member.
133 Marquis F. King, March 5, '60; dimitted May 2, '66.
134 William W. Davis, March 5, '60; suspended membership March 28, '81.
135 George H. Chadwick, March 12, '60; dimitted June 26, '71.
136 Samuel Kyle, April 23, '60; suspended membership March 28, '81.
137 Charles F. King, July 30, '60.
138 Wm. Perry, Jr., July 30, '60; not a member.

139 Jacob Chaplin, July 30, '60; dimitted Sept. 26, '70; d. Jan. 1, '75, in Kansas.
140 John Fox, Aug. 3, '60; not a member.
141 Edward A. Bailey, Aug. 3, '60; deprived of membership March 26, '77.
142 William G. Davis, Aug. 6, '60.
143 Frederick R. Harris, Aug. 6, '60; dimitted April 28, '73.
144 Jerome B. Fickett, Aug. 13, '60.
145 Peter B. Frost, Aug. 13, '60; d. Aug. 5, '68.
146 Thomas Richardson, Aug. 13, '60; deprived of membership, March 28, '81.
147 Addison C. Sturdivant, Aug. 13, '60; d. Aug. 27, '64.
148 P. G. S. TenBroeck, Sept. 14, '60; not a member.
149 Payson Tucker, Dec. 23, '61.
150 Charles F. Thrasher, Dec. 23, '61.
151 George Goodridge, Jan. 27, '62; deprived of membership March 28, '81.
152 William Buxton, March 10, '62.
153 J. W. Olds, March 10, '62; dimitted Feb. 22, '64.
154 Frederick Johnson, March 10, '62; dimitted April 27, '74.
155 Gordon R. Garden, March 13, '62; dimitted May 2, '66.
156 William Atwood, March 13, '62; dimitted May 2, '66.
157 Josiah H. Drummond, membership April 28, '62; dimitted May 2, '66.
158 Eliphalet W. French, of Eastport, May 3, '62; dimitted Feb. 24, '68.
159 John G. Cook, Lewiston, June 12, '62; charter member Lewiston Commandery.
160 Joseph P. Gill, Lewiston, June 12, '62; charter member Lewiston Commandery.
161 William Ross, Jr., June 14, '62; dimitted May 2, '66.
162 Charles B. Varney, June 14, '62.
163 Charles H. Stuart, June 14, '62.
164 William J. Quincy, Oct. 27, '62.
165 William J. Harmon, Nov. 24, '62; d. ———.
166 Jefferson C. Coolidge, Nov. 24, '62; dimitted May 2, '66.
167 John J. Liscomb, Dec. 23, '62; dimitted May 2, '66; d. Jan. 27, '81.
168 Thomas W. Howard, Dec. 23, '62; d. Jan. 9, '71.
169 John Q. Twitchell, Dec. 23, '62.
170 Henry H. Dickey, Jan. 26, '63; charter member Lewiston Commandery.
171 John W. Perkins, Jan. 26, '63; dimitted May 2, '66.
172 Nathan P. Woodbury, Jan. 26, '63; d. Aug. 4, '66.
173 Augustus F. York, Jan. 26, '63; deprived of membership March 26, '77.
174 Daniel W. True, June 2, '63; dimitted May 2, '66; re-admitted Nov. 23, '68.
175 Dorville Libby, June 2, '63; suspended membership March 26, '77.
176 James L. Boothby, June 2, '63; d. April 14, '73; buried April 17.
177 Greenleaf M. Moulton, June 2, '63; d. Sept. 25, '64.
178 Albion Keith, June 22, '63.
179 Seth D. Wakefield, Lewiston, Aug. 24, '63; Lewiston Commandery.
180 William Curtis, Sept. 28, '63; not a member.

181 Francis O. Libby, Oct. 26, '63; d. March 12, '73.
182 Frank W. Wiswell (Holden), Feb. 12, '64; deprived of membership Dec. 12, '71.
183 Fred. B. Ginn, Feb. 12, '64; dimitted Sept. 27, '75.
184 Micah P. Austin, May 23, '64; dimitted Feb. 26, '72; d. July, '81.
185 George E. Ross, May 23, '64.
186 Marshall N. Rich, June 13, '64.
187 Warren P. Chase, June 13, '64; dimitted May 2, '66.
188 Franklin Crawford, June 17, '64; dimitted May 2, '66.
189 Daniel W. Miller, June 17, '64; died Jan. 29, '72.
190 Augustus B. Jones, Lewiston, June 21, '64; Lewiston Commandery.
191 Thomas F. Lamb, June 21, '64; dimitted May 2, '66.
192 Aurin L. Dresser, Lewiston, June 21, '64; charter member Lewiston Commandery.
193 M. E. D. Bailey, Lewiston, June 21, '64; dimitted Nov. 27, '65.
194 Thomas A. D. Fessenden, Auburn, July 27, '64; Lewiston Commandery.
195 Albert Thompson, Norway, July 27, '64; membership Sept. 23, '78.
196 William J. Burnham, Lewiston, Sept. 26, '64; charter member Lewiston Commandery.
197 George W. Garcelon, Lewiston, Sept. 26, '64; charter member Lewiston Commandery.
198 Theodore M. Varney, Lewiston, Sept. 26, '64; charter member Lewiston Commandery.
199 George L. Goodale, Nov. 1, '64.
200 Jacob S. Winslow, Nov. 1, '64.
201 Edward Hall, Nov. 1, '64.
202 David Cowan, Lewiston, Nov. 1, '64; charter member Lewiston Com'y.
203 Lyman C. Bailey, Calais, Nov. 1, '64; dimitted May 27, '67.
204 Ebenezer Wentworth, Dec. 8, '64; dimitted May 2, '66; d. Dec. 8, '78.
205 Ira Berry, Jr., Dec. 8, '64.
206 Denison E. Seymour, Calais, April 29, '65; St. Bernard Commandery.
207 Rev. James E. C. Sawyer, Eastport, April 29, '65; St. Bernard Com'y.
208 Wm. E. Short, Jr., April 29, '65; dimitted Dec. 24, '77.
209 Andrew W. French, Eastport, April 29, '65; dimitted Feb. 24, '68.
210 William H. Smith, April 29, '65; dimitted May 2, '66.
211 Samuel A. True, April 29, '65; dimitted May 2, '66.
212 Sylvan Shurtleff, April 29, '65; dimitted May 2, '66.
213 Charles M. Rice, July 15, '65; dimitted May 2, '66.
214 Orrin S. Fogg, July 15, '65.
215 David W. Babb (Westbrook), July 15, '65; not a member.
216 Andrew J. Pettingill, July 15, '65.
217 George H. Smardon, July 24, '65.
218 Charles E. Humphrey, July 24, '65; dimitted May 2, '66; d. Feb. 13, '80.
219 Seth B. Hersey, Jan. 22, '66.

220 Francis W. Smith, Jan. 22, '66; dimitted Jan. 24, '81.
221 Daniel F. Emery, Jr., Feb. 26, '66.
222 George Warren, Westbrook, March 13, '66; not a member; d. July 29, '76.
223 James Pennell, Westbrook, March 13, '66; not a member.
224 W. L. Pennell, Westbrook, March 13, '66; not a member.
225 George A. Head, March 13, '66.
226 Eben S. Stevens, March 20, '66; d. Feb. 17, '79.
227 Cyrus B. Abbott, Westbrook, March 20, '66.
228 Amos Abbott, Jr., Westbrook, March 20, '66.
229 Humphrey Cousens, Gorham, March 20, '66.
230 Andrew Winslow, Westbrook, March 20, '66; deprived of membership March 28, '81.
231 George W. Leighton, March 30, '66.
232 Thomas H. Berry, Buxton, April 3, '66.
233 N. R. Martin, Westbrook, April 3, '66.
234 Jonathan Dow, April 3, '66; deprived of membership March 26, '77.
235 Thomas M. Giveen, membership April 10, '66.
236 George W. Parker, April 23, '66.
237 John C. Small, April 23, '66.
238 Oliver Tracy, Buxton, April 23, '66; accidentally killed March 12, '70.
239 George W. Gorham, Eastport, April 27, '66; St. Bernard Commandery.
240 Edwin E. Emerson, Calais, April 27, '66; St. Bernard Commandery.
241 Samnel T. Raymond, Westbrook, April 27, '66; d. Dec. 15, '76.
242 George P. Gross, April 27, '66.
243 Charles W. Belknap, Westbrook, May 28, '66; dimitted March 28, '81.
244 Charles S. Bickford, Westbrook, May 28, '66.
245 James P. Lewis, May 28, '66.
246 Lewis P. Warren, Westbrook, June 15, '66: not a member.
247 John R. Babb, Westbrook, June 15, '66; not a member.
248 Rev. Horace J. Bradbury, Westbrook, June 15, '66; d. Oct. 9, '80.
249 David N. McCann, Westbrook, June 15, '66; not a member.
250 Abijah C. Stover, Harpswell, June 25, '66; dimitted Feb. 28, '81.
251 John R. Dellow, June 25, '66; not a member.
252 Alfred B. Winslow, June 25, '66.
253 William Bacon, Gorham, June 25, '66.
254 Charles Littlejohn, Dec. 24, '66; d. Nov. 24, '76.
255 Joseph Y. Hodsdon, Dec. 24, '66.
256 William A. Barker, membership Jan 28, '67; dimitted Oct. 24, '70.
257 Joseph M. Stevens, Jan. 28, '67; deprived of membership Dec. 12, '71.
258 Wesley P. Dutton, Jan. 28, '67.
259 Leonard O. Short, Feb. 25, '67.
260 Christopher Way, March 12, '67.
261 Charles Deering, March 12, '67.
262 Frank E. Allen, March 12, '67.

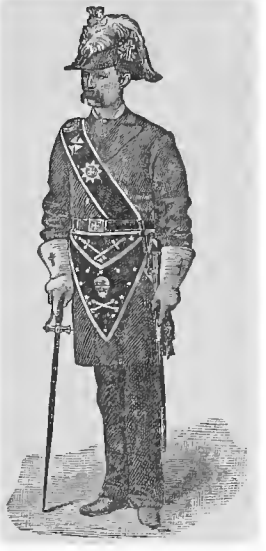
263 Edward C. Swett, April 2, '67.
264 Henry R. Millett, Gorham, April 22, '67.
265 John O. Winship, Gorham, April 22, '67.
266 Loring J. Additon, May 11, '67.
267 Emmons Chapman, May 11, '67; d. Nov. 22, '75.
268 Rev. William S. McKellar, Calais, May 11, '67; St. Bernard Commandery.
269 Silas H. McAlpine, May 11, '67.
270 Geo. W. True, membership May 27, '67.
271 Hall L. Davis, May 27, '67.
272 David Moulton, Westbrook, May 27, '67.
273 Geo. T. Burroughs, June 7, '67; dimitted Dec. 29, '69.
274 David Ritchie, June 7, '67; d. Feb. 3, '74.
275 Frank Bartlett, June 7, '67; suspended membership March 26, '77.
276 Charles B. Whittemore, June 7, '67.
277 Seth C. Gordon, June 11, '67.
278 Robert P. Jewett, June 11, '67; deprived of membership Dec. 12, '71.
279 Frank G. Stevens, June 11, '67.
280 Leander W. Fobes, June 11, '67.
281 Albert E. Neill, St. Stephens, N. B., Sept. 10, '67; St. Bernard Com'y.
282 William Trott King, Calais, Sept. 10, '67; St. Bernard Commandery.
283 Henry B. Wing, membership June 22, '68; d. Nov. 10, '80.
284 Stephen W. Patten, June 27, '68.
285 Charles B. Belknap, June 27, '68; dimitted March 28, '81.
286 Fred. F. Harris, June 27, '68.
287 Arthur C. King, June 27, '68; dimitted April 27, '74.
288 George C. Frye, June 30, '68.
289 William R. Wood, June 30, '68; dimitted Oct. 22, '77.
290 Edwin H. Hobbs, June 30, '68; d. Feb. 11, '81.
291 Abram N. Noyes, June 30, '68.
292 Stephen C. Knight, Aug. 24, '68; dimitted Dec. 24, '77; d. Sept. '80.
293 Ira Witham, Aug. 24, '68; died Feb. 2, '77.
294 Thaddeus B. Hawley, Aug. 24, '68.
295 Leoline H. Drinkwater, Aug. 24, '68; dimitted Oct. 25, '80.
296 Joseph Castell, Jr., April 26, '69.
297 George H. Gardiner, April 26, '69.
298 Andrew S. Sawyer, Cape Elizabeth, June 28, '69.
299 William E. Miller, June 28, '69; dimitted Oct. 27, '73.
300 Lyman M. Consens, June 28, '69.
301 Eben Corey, July 10, '69.
302 Edward B. James, Aug. 9, '69.
303 Aurelius S. Hinds, Aug. 9, '69.
304 Horatio N. Small, membership Jan. 24, '70.
305 Daniel W. Ames, membership March 28, '70.
306 James S. Bedlow, March 28, '70; d. July 2, '78.

307 Jesse D. Bisbee, March 28, '70.
308 Samuel H. Doten, Westbrook, March 28, '70.
309 Christopher C. Hayes, April 25, '70.
310 Nathaniel L. Shaw, April 25, '70.
311 John L. Laiten, June 7, '70; deprived of membership March 26, '77.
312 Charles A. Bailey, Falmouth, June 7, '70; deprived of membership March 28, '81.
313 Robert Bradley, Dec. 15, '70; d. '75.
314 Rev. William E. Gibbs, Dec. 15, '70.
315 John S. Harris, Dec. 15, '70; suspended '79.
316 Horace P. Storer, Dec. 15, '70.
317 Ivory Q. Milliken, Saccarappa, Dec. 15, '70; dimitted Oct. 27, '73.
318 Charles W. Gilkey, Dec. 15, '70; d. Aug. 5, '75.
319 Andrew M. Benson, membership Feb. 27, '71.
320 Edward Tomlinson, membership March 27, '71.
321 Frederick F. Hale, March 27, '71.
322 James Francis Hawkes, March 27, '71.
323 George Roscoe Shaw, March 27, '71.
324 Frank Howard Swett, March 27, '71.
325 William Wirt Virgin, Norway, April 7, '71.
326 George Taylor, Bridgton, April 7, '71; d. '78.
327 A. Oscar Noyes, Norway, April 7, '71; d. Oct. 13, '78.
328 M. C. Stiles, Bridgton, April 7, '71; suspended membership March 26, '77.
329 Fred. J. Littlefield, Bridgton, April 7, '71; d. May 12, '78.
330 W. L. Warren, Westbrook, April 7, '71; dimitted April 26, '80.
331 George S. Farnsworth, Bridgton, April 7, '71.
332 John F. Randall, April 24, '71.
333 George P. Wescott, April 24, '71.
334 Charles C. Harmon, April 24, '71.
335 Henry H. Lowell, April 24, '71; dimitted May 26, '79.
336 James P. Baxter, June 26, '71.
337 Alonzo Leavitt, Alfred, membership Dec. 12, '71.
338 Frank H. Skillings, Paris, Dec. 12, '71.
339 Charles F. Durell, Oxford, Dec. 12, '71.
340 J. J. Humphreys, Yarmouth, Dec. 12, '71; not a member.
341 John P. Carswell, Yarmouth, Dec. 12, '71.
342 Charles C. Bedlow, Dec. 12, '71.
343 Charles Clark, Jan. 22, '72; deprived of membership March 28, '81.
344 Abel H. Sawyer, Jan. 22, '72.
345 Tobias Lord, Jr., Standish, membership Feb. 26, '72.
346 Miles T. Libby, April 22, '72.
347 Richard Kent Gatley, April 22, '72.
348 Henry P. Merrill, April 22, '72.
349 David R. Hastings, Fryeburg, May 27, '72.

350 Tewksbury L. Sweat, May 27, '72.
351 Nathan Cleaves, June 15, '72.
352 Abner O. Shaw, June 15, '72.
353 Charles Henry Fessenden, June 15, '72.
354 Hugh J. Chisholm, June 15, '72.
355 Sullivan C. Andrews, membership Sept. 23, '72.
356 Tobias Lord Eastman, membership Sept. 23, '72.
357 Samuel F. Merrill, membership Nov. 25, '72.
358 William E. Dennison, March 24, '73.
359 Henry G. Beatley, May 27, '73; dimitted Feb. 28, '81.
360 William A. Field, May 27, '73.
361 Jonas Hamilton, May 27, '73.
362 Samuel Fessenden Bearce, May 27, '73.
363 Albert Roswell Hawkes, Windham, May 27, '73.
364 John Deering Lord, May 27, '73; dimitted Oct. 24, '81.
365 Freeman Pratt, Yarmouth, May 27, '73.
366 Augustus Eastman, North Conway, May 27, '73.
367 John Clifford Cobb, Deering, May 27, '73.
368 Charles Walker, May 27, '73.
369 Alfred S. Kimball, Waterford, May 27, '73.
370 John Sutton Russell, May 27, '73.
371 John Porteous, membership Nov. 24, '73.
372 George O. K. Cram, Nov. 26, '73.
373 Orlando W. Eldridge, Nov. 26, '73.
374 Theron H. Payson, Nov. 26, '73.
375 George B. Lane, Nov. 26, '73.
376 Benj. F. Libby, Nov. 26, '73; suspended membership March 28, '81.
377 George L. Beal, April 27, '74.
378 Rev. Henry C. Leonard, April 27, '74; d. Annisquam, Mass., March 2, '80.
379 Silas H. Wetherbee, April 30, '74.
380 Henry F. Perry, April 30, '74.
381 Charles W. Allen, Nov. 23, '74.
382 Lycurgus Pitman, North Conway, N. H., Nov. 23, '74.
383 Robert A. McClutchy, Nov. 23, '74.
384 Arthur H. Atwood, Feb. 22, '75.
385 Frank H. Jordan, Feb. 22, '75; lost at sea '77.
386 Clayton J. Farrington, Feb. 22, '75.
387 Edward B. Cook, Feb. 22, '75.
388 Jesse T. Reynolds, Feb. 22, '75; dimitted Jan. 23, '82.
389 Wm. F. Weeks, Feb. 25, '75.
390 Aaron Hodsdon, April 26, '75.
391 Oliver H. Briggs, April 26, '75.
392 Herbert G. Briggs, April 26, '75,
393 James H. Eaton, Dunlap Commandery, membership May 24, '75.

394 A. L. Berry, Buxton, June 3, '75.
395 Nathan W. Pease, North Conway, N. H., June 3, '75.
396 Jonathan C. Ela, North Conway, N. H., June 3, '75.
397 Horace C. Noyes, Nov. 22, '75.
398 Luther B. Roberts, Nov. 22, '75.
399 George E. Raymond, March 27, '76.
400 Caleb N. Lang, March 27, '76.
401 Will L. Keiler, March 27, '76.
402 William W. Roberts, April 24, '76.
403 Adna T. Denison, Lewiston Commandery; membership Dec. 24, '77.
404 Diman B. Perry, Mechanic Falls, membership Dec. 24, '77; (made Lewiston Commandery.)
405 Thomas P. Shaw, membership Feb. 25, '78.
406 Charles H. Kimball, Feb. 25, '78.
407 John E. Sawyer, Feb. 25, '78.
408 David Frank Corser, Feb. 25, '78.
409 Freeland Howe, Norway, Feb. 25, '78.
410 George P. Jones, Norway, Feb. 25, '78.
411 Alexander F. Brown, Feb. 25, '78; dimitted Feb. 28, '81.
412 Andrew J. Nichols, Feb. 25, '78; d. Nov. 30, '80.
413 Frederic E. Boothby, membership March 25, '78.
414 Merrill E. Haskell, May 2, '78.
415 Oscar M. Metcalf, May 2, '78.
416 George T. Means, May 2, '78.
417 Frank M. Higgins, May 2, '78.
418 Joseph H. Short, May 11, '78.
419 Fritz H. Twitchell, May 11, '78.
420 Wm. H. Lothrop, May 11, '78; d. April 21, '80, aged 38 y.
421 Edward P. Staples, May 11, '78.
422 Charles F. Smith, May 11, '78.
423 Henry L. Hamilton, May 27, '78.
424 Frank L. Oxnard, Norway, Nov. 7, '78; d. at Lincoln, Neb., March 4, '81.
425 Wm. H. Whitcomb, Norway, Nov. 7, '78.
426 Alpha Thom, Nov. 7, '78.
427 Edward C. Gardner, Nov. 7, '78.
428 Emery S. Ridlon, Nov. 7, '78.
429 Fred. T. Meaher, Jan. 27, '79; d. Feb. 8, '82, aged 32 y.
430 Thomas S. Laughlin, Jan. 27, '79.
431 John H. Davis, Jan. 27, '79.
432 William H. Phinney, April 28, '79.
433 Wilson Chandler, April 28, '79.
434 Eugene Goodwin, April 28, '79.
435 Charles D. B. Fisk, May 26, '79.
436 Frank W. Woodman, May 26, '79.

437 James Hopkins Smith, Nov. 6, '79.
438 Frank A. Clarke, Nov. 6, '79.
439 Fred. W. Roberts, Nov. 6, '79.
440 William S. Corey, May 24, '80.
441 Charles E. Hartshorn, May 24, '80.
442 Arthur W. Jordan, May 24, '80.
443 William A. Allen, June 3, '80.
444 George M. Moore, June 3, '80.
445 William Senter, Jr., June 3, '80.
446 Frank H. Cushing, June 3, '80.
447 David Pratt, June 17, '80.
448 William G. Mills, June 17, '80.
449 Augustine D. Smith, Feb. 28, '81.
450 Frank W. Stockmau, Feb. 28, '81.
451 Henry N. Whitman, Feb. 28, '81.



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