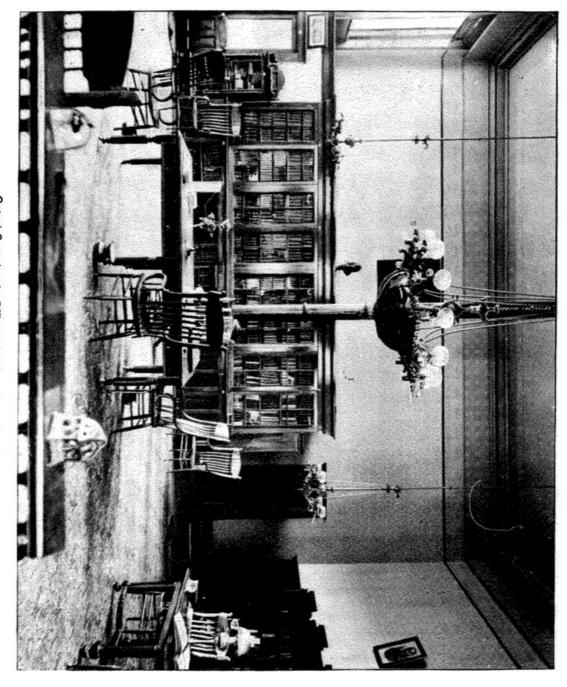


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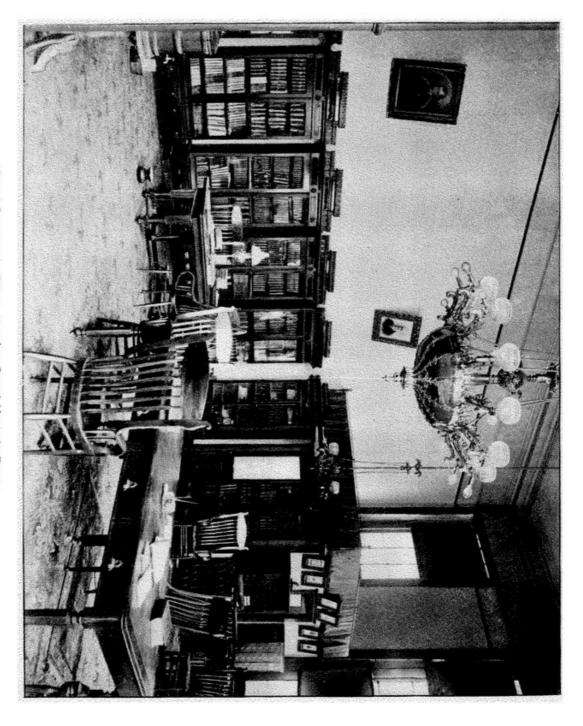
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Grand Secretary's Office, showing door of entrance,



Grand Secretary's Office and Desks-Room, 39 x 59 feet; 22 ft, Ceiling.



Grand Secretary's Office, showing Grand Master's Room

BOOK OF CONSTITUTIONS,

CONTAINING THE

CONSTITUTION, REGULATIONS & CODE FOR TRIALS

+* OF THE *+

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY,

F. AND A. M.

+* ALSO *+

ACTS OF INCORPORATION OF THE GRAND LODGE, ANCIENT CHARGES, LISTS OF LODGES, GRAND OFFICERS, FORMS, SUGGESTIONS AS TO THE PROB-ABLE LANDMARKS OF FREEMASONBY, AND RULES OF ORDER, WITH INDEXES, ETC.

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FIRST EDITION.

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY,

Office of the Grand Master.

LOUISA, KY., Feb. 26, 1880.

Be it Known, That the following re-arranged Constitution of this Grand Lodge, Digest of Decisions, Code, Rules and Forms for Masonic Trials and Lodge Minutes, prepared in conformity with resolutions of said Grand Lodge, have been carefully examined by me, and are hereby approved and promulgated as authority in this Grand Jurisdiction.

SEAL. JAKE RICE, Grand Master.

Firein Bessett. Grand Secretary.

SECOND EDITION.

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY,

Office of the Grand Master.

BARBOURSVILLE, KY., Dec. 22, 1888:

This edition has been prepared in conformity with the resolution of the Grand Lodge. It contains the Constitution and all amendments thereto; the Digest of Decisions up to and including those approved at the last Grand Lodge, together with Code, Forms for Masonic Trials, Lodge Minutes, Landmarks and Ancient Charges I have carefully examined it, and hereby approve and promulgate the same as authority in this Grand Jurisdiction.

[JAMES D. BLACK, Grand Master.]

SEAL. Hers. Grand Secretary. THIRD EDITION.

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY,

Office of the Grand Master,

BROOKSVILLE, KY., Nov. 22, 1893.

This edition of the Constitution, Digest of Decisions, etc., has been prepared in obedience to the action of the Grand Lodge, expressed at the last Annual Communication. It contains the Constitution and all amendments thereto; the Digest of Decisions up to and including those approved at the last Communication of the Grand Lodge, together with the Code, Forms for Masonic Trials, Lodge Minutes and Ancient Charges. I have examined it, and approve and promulgate it as authority in the Jurisdiction of

the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. The suggestions as to probable Landmarks of Freemasonry, prepared by Brother Grant, are also published by order of Grand Lodge, to which he has added sundry tables and a manual for conducting business, with convenient indexes.

JAMES W. STATON, Grand Master.

PREFACE TO FIRST EDITION.

The following pages were prepared in conformity with resolutions adopted by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. (Proceedings 1879, p. 70.)

The Code and Forms for Trials are believed to conform to law and existing decisions, and will, it is hoped, materially aid in promoting uniformity of action upon sound principles of Masonic Jurisprudence.

The Constitution is re-arranged, as near as may be, according to subjects, without changing its tenor or verbiage, except in a few connecting words, necessitated by the re-arrangement.

The "Digest" embraces decisions approved by the Grand Lodge, and as nearly as possible in the exact words of the record.

HIRAM BASSETT, H. B. GRANT, ROB MORRIS, Committee.

Note.—The members of the committee, residing at different points, found that to assemble and remain in session long enough to discharge the tedious labor assigned them would not only be expensive, but would require a continuous neglect of other duties which neither could afford. In view of these difficulties Bro. H. B. GRANT, of the committee, very kindly consented to perform the arduous task of preparing the work, without assistance from or consultation with us, as he proceeded.

He has submitted the results of his labor to us for criticism and revision, and we deem it but simple justice to Bro. GRANT to say that his execution of the tedious and difficult task was so complete and satisfactory that it left but few suggestions for us to make; and that it is presented by the committee almost literally as it came from his hands.

HIRAM BASSETT, ROB MORRIS.

SECOND EDITION.

This edition has been carefully prepared under authority of the Grand Lodge (Proceedings 1888, page 70), and has been approved by the M. W. Grand Master, with the addition of the Landmarks, etc., inserted by his direction. The running title at the top of pages has been arranged for more ready reference, and it is hoped that the effort to make it convenient and accurate will meet with the approbation of the Craft.

H. B. GRANT.

THIRD EDITION-ENLARGED.

This edition contains matter not embraced in former editions (1893, p. 15, 38). The old Masonic title, "Book of Constitutions," so eminently appropriate, has been substituted for the former one, and other convenient rules, tables, and forms, are added by consent of the Grand Master.

H. B. GRANT.

ACTS OF INCORPORATION.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE GRAND LODGE OF KEN-

WHEREAS, The Grand Lodge of Kentucky has procured Preamble. in the city of Lexington a lot of ground on which to erect a Grand Hall, for the purpose of holding its meetings, and to accommodate its subordinate lodges and other Masonic bodies in said city; and is also desirous to procure and hold such halls and their appurtenances in other parts of the State as may be conveyed to, or reverted to, said Grand Lodge from any subordinate lodge; and also wishes to establish an Asylum for the nurture and education of indigent orphans of both sexes, and the support of poor and indigent persons-therefore,

SEC. I. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

That Abner Cunningham, Grand Master; Wilkins Tanne- Incorporated. hill, Deputy Grand Master; Thomas J. Welby, Senior Grand Warden; Leander M. Cox, Junior Grand Warden; Philip Swigert, Grand Secretary, and Wm. Cardwell, Grand Treasurer, and their successors in office, be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, to be known by the name of "THE GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY;" and by that name shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to change and alter the same at pleasure; and by that name may sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That said Grand Lodge thus May hold propincorporated may purchase, or receive by gift or otherwise, erty in Lexingthe lot of ground in the city of Lexington, on which a Grand Hall is now being erected, and hold the same in fee simple, to be used only for Masonic and benevolent purposes.

SEC. 3. Be it further enacted, That said Grand Lodge may receive conveyances for such real estate in other parts of the conveyances of real estate, etc., State as is now or may hereafter be occupied by subordi- of subordinate nate lodges for Masonic purposes, whenever said subordinate lodges may convey, or cause to be conveyed, said tenements to said Grand Lodge; or whenever, by the dissolution of any of said subordinate lodges owning said tenements, the same shall properly vest in said Grand Lodge by reason of the rules or by-laws thereof, and may hold the same in fee simple for Masonic purposes. But should said property be and remain unused for Masonic or benevolent purposes for the space of five years, then said Grand Lodge shall be required, on pain of forfeiture to the State, to sell and dispose of the same.

digent children.

SEC. 4. Be it further enacted, That said Grand Lodge may Asylum for in-receive by gift, devise or purchase any amount of real estate not exceeding the sum of \$20,000 in one or more parcels lying adjacent, upon which to establish an Asylum for indigent children of both sexes, for the purposes of nurture and education, to be founded upon such principles, and governed by such managers, as said Grand Lodge shall determine; and should said Grand Lodge, at any time after the receipt of said real estate and establishment of said Asylum, abandon the same, or cease the use thereof for said purposes for the space of five years, then, if said real estate shall have been given or devised to said Grand Lodge for said purpose, the same shall revert to said donor or his, her or their heirs, or the heirs of said testator; or in the event of there being no heirs capable of receiving the same, then the same shall be vested in such benevolent institutions as shall be designated by the act of the Legislature. And if said real estate shall have been purchased by said Grand Lodge, then said Grand Lodge shall, within five years after said abandonment or cessation of such use or occupation, sell or dispose of or convey said property, on pain of forfeiture thereof to the Commonwealth.

Asylum.

SEC. 5. Be it further enacted, That said Grand Lodge be Lottery money authorized to divert any portion, it may deem right, of the may be used for money which it is such money which it is authorized by law to raise for the erection of its Grand Hall, to the purpose of purchasing the necessary site of said Asylum, and the putting the same into operation. And it is also rendered capable of receiving, by gift or devise, such sums of money or personal property as may be given for the above purposes, or the promotion of the general charitable purposes of the institution of Masonry. And there is hereby reserved to the Legislature the power to alter or repeal this act.

Approved January 29, 1841.

The following acts were also passed by the Legislature of Kentucky, but are not such as are deemed desirable to copy here, viz:

[&]quot;An act for the benefit of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky." Approved January 27, 1815.

[&]quot;An act supplemental to an act, entitled 'An act for the benefit of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky." Approved November 27, 1820.

[&]quot;An act for the benefit of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky." Approved February 7, 1834.

AN ALMANAC OF FULL MOONS, ETC.,

FROM 1883 TO 1899, INCLUSIVE.

Drawn from De Morgans "Book of Almanacs" (and probably in the main correct).

By W. B. LANGRIDGE, MUSCATINE, IOWA.

(Prepared for and copied from the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, 1883.)

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY.

F .. AND A., M..

ARTICLE I.

AUTHORITY AND POWERS.

SEC. I. It is the only true and legitimate source of Masonic authority subordinate lodges congregate under, authority. by virtue of its dispensations and charters, and in it resides the power to enact laws and regulations for the government of the Craft; also to alter and repeal such laws and regulations, preserving the Ancient Landmarks. It has the inherent power to investigate and matters as to lodges a brethgeneral, to particular lodges or to individual brethren, either directly or by its delegated authority.

TITLE.

SEC. 2. The style of this Grand Lodge shall be "THE Corporate GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY."

COMPOSITION.

- SEC. 3. It shall be composed of the following officers Title and rank and members—the officers to be titled and ranked as of officers.
 - 1. The Grand Master, titled Most Worshipful.
- 2. The Deputy Grand Master, titled Right Worshipful.
- 3. The Grand Senior Warden, titled Right Worshipful.

- 4. The Grand Junior Warden, titled Right Worshipful.
 - 5. The Grand Treasurer, titled Right Worshipful.
 - 6. The Grand Secretary, titled Right Worshipful.
 - 7. The Grand Chaplain, titled Most Reverend.
- 8. The Assistant Grand Secretary, titled Worshipful.
 - 9. The Grand Senior Deacon, titled Worshipful.
 - 10. The Grand Junior Deacon, titled Worshipful.
 - 11. The Grand Marshai, titled Worshipful.
 - 12. The Grand Sword Bearer, titled Worshipful.
 - 13. The Grand Pursuivant,* titled Worshipful.
 - 14. The Grand Tyler, titled Worshipful.

Likewise all Past Grand Masters of this Grand Additional Lodget and all Past Masters—they being members of members. subordinate lodges, and the Master (or in his absence the Senior Warden, or in their absence the Junior War-Representative. den, or in the absence of the three a representative) of each lodge subordinate to this Grand Lodge.

REPRESENTATIVES.

SEC. 4. The representative of a lodge must be a mem-Qualification. ber thereof, and his appointment, on failure of the Mas-How chosen. ter or a Warden to attend, shall be made by vote of the Dues must be lodge, certified by its seal. He shall not take his seat paid in full. in the Grand Lodge until he has received from the Grand Secretary a receipt in full for the payment of all dues owing by his lodge to the Grand Lodge; and this rule shall equally apply to a Master or Warden repre-Quorum, how senting the Lodge; Providing, That a quorum can in obtained. this manner be obtained; if not, the rules may be temporarily relaxed; but in such event the seats of representative not complying with the rules aforesaid shall be vacated as soon as the Grand Lodge can be formed without them.

Representative seat.

SEC. 5. A representative, regularly taking his seat not to forfeit his in the Grand Lodge, shall not afterwards forfeit his seat

^{*}Pronounced Pur-swe-vant. †See Sec. 6; and Art. iv, Secs. 3, 4. ‡See Art. xi, Sec. 18, ¶1-7. Art. iv, Sec. 11. §Art. ii, Sec. 2.

by the appearance of the Master or a Warden in whose stead he was elected by the lodge.

SEC. 6. Past Grand Masters, while representatives Masters as repin that capacity in the Grand Lodge, shall receive no resentatives. compensation as such unless they are members of a subordinate lodge.

ARTICLE II.

MEETINGS-QUORUM.

SEC. I. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky shall hold a Annual meet-Grand Annual Communication at the Masonic Temple, in the city of Louisville, commencing on third Tuesday+ in October.

SEC. 2. No communication of the Grand Lodge shall be opened unless one-third of the lodges under her jurisdiction are represented; but after the opening of the Grand Lodge one-fifth shall constitute a quorum to do business.† Should the constitutional quorum not be present on the first day of the Communication, the members present shall adjourn to 12 o'clock of the succeeding day; if then a quorum is not present, and seventy-five lodges of this jurisdiction are represented, or when that number is obtained, the Grand Lodge shall be duly opened and proceed to its business; and two-thirds of that number of lodges shall constitute a quorum to do business.

Minority may

ARTICLE III.

BUSINESS-VOTES.

Sec. 1. The business of the Grand Lodge at its Grand Annual Communications shall be, to receive Appeals, redress Grievances, and remove all complaints of the subordinate lodges; to reprehend malconduct in any of the subordinate lodges or their members; to assess such economical contributions, from time to time, as shall appear proper for the good of the Craft; to correspond with every Grand Lodge of the globe, as it Lodges.

Appeals. Grievances. Complaints. Malconduct.

Assessments.

Correspond with all Grand

^{*}P. G. Ms. draw pay for three years only. See Article iv, Section 11. †Amended 1889, p. 76; 1891, p. 120. ‡See Art. I, Sec. 4.

Prepare work may deem right for the good of the Fraternity; to detor lodges. vise and design plans, problems and propositions for the subordinate lodges to execute.

Majority conbe determined by a majority of votes—the Grand Mastrols.
Who may vote. ter or presiding officer for the time being to have one vote; Deputy Grand Master, Grand Senior Warden, Grand Junior Warden, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Grand Chaplain each one vote;* the Past Grand Masters one vote collectively; the Past Masters one vote collectively, and the representative of each lodge one vote; but no brother shall vote in a double Casting vote. capacity, except in case of a tie, when the Grand Master, or the officer presiding in his absence, shall have the casting vote.

ARTICLE IV.

GRAND OFFICERS.†

SEC. 1. The officers of the Grand Lodge are as Grand Officers, follows:

- 1. The Grand Master.
- 2. The Deputy Grand Master.
- 3. The Grand Senior Warden.
- 4. The Grand Junior Warden.
- 5. The Grand Treasurer.
- 6. The Grand Secretary.
- 7. The Grand Chaplain.
- 8. The Assistant Grand Secretary. T
- 9. The Grand Senior Deacon.
- 10. The Grand Junior Deacon.
- 11. The Grand Marshal.
- 12. The Grand Sword Bearer.
- 13. The Grand Pursuivant. [Pronounced Purswe-vant.]
 - 14. The Grand Tyler.

Each of these shall be chosen annually by the Grand

^{*}Amended 1890, p. 53.

[†]The office of Grand Lecturer was established (1892, pp. 14, 24) but has not been made a constitutional office. ‡Established 1816, p. 27.

Lodge, except as herein provided. The Grand Dea-Elected and cons, the Grand Marshal, the Grand Sword Bearer and appointed. the Grand Pursuivant shall be appointed by the Grand Master. The Grand Secretary shall appoint the Assistant, subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge.*

TENURE OF OFFICE.

SEC. 2. The elective officers shall hold their respect- Term of office. ive offices until their successors are duly elected and installed, and those appointed until their successors are duly appointed and charged.

QUALIFICATIONS.

SEC. 3. None shall be eligible to an office in the Eligibility of Grand Lodge save the members of subordinate lodges; officers. and any Grand Officer demitting during his term of office forfeits his place as a Grand Officer unless he immediately connects himself with another lodge in this jurisdiction.

SEC. 4. No brother shall be appointed to office, or officers and upon any committee of this Grand Lodge, unless he be committeemen must be mema membert of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 5. No brother shall be elected to an office in Corresponding rank necesthe Grand Lodge higher than the corresponding posi- sary. tion he has held in some subordinate lodge.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 6. The election of Grand Officers shall take Election, when place at any time during the session of the Grand Lodge held. that a majority of the representatives may have previously determined on by resolution.

SEC. 7. The ballots shall be collected by the Grand Ballots, how Deacons from the voters, according to rank and senior-collected. ity, commencing with the Grand Master, and be delivered to the Grand Master to count.

SEC. 8. During the balloting the brethren shall keep Order during balloting. their seats and preserve silence.

^{*}See Art. v, Sec. S, ¶4. †See Art. i, Sec. 3.

SEC. 9. The Grand Master shall order the Grand Proclamation. Marshal to proclaim each officer as elected.

INSTALLATIONS.

Installation.

SEC. 10. The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Wardens, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary* and Grand Tyler shall be regularly installed before entering upon the duties of their respective offices. The Grand Master shall install his Deputy, but he may grant proxies to install the other officers of the Grand Lodge.

PAY OF OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES.

resentatives.

SEC. 11. The pay of the Grand Officers, Past Grand Pay of Grand Masters for three years only after they have passed out of the office of Grand Master,+ and the representatives from each subordinate lodge shall be three dollars per day for the time they are actually in attendance upon the Grand Lodge, and four cents per mile coming from and going to the location of their lodge—the distance to be measured by the nearest traveled route. Double pay But no brother shall be entitled to draw pay in a double prohibited; or when his lodge capacity, and no representative shall receive pay while his lodge is in arrears to the Grand Lodge, or whose dues have been loaned, donated or remitted by the Grand Lodge, or who shall vacate his seat during the session without permission from the Grand Lodge.§

is in arrears.

ARTICLE V.

DUTIES OF GRAND OFFICERS.

SEC. 1. It is the duty of each Grand Officer, in pro-Officers to portion to his superiority, to have special care of the have charge in private lodges during the vacation of the Grand Lodge, vacation. directing all their plans, problems, designs, and the positions on which they work-to be executed accord-

^{*}See Art. v, Sec. 8, ¶3. †Amended 1880, p. 50, and amendment embraced herein, as in all cases. See Art. 1, Sec. 6. \$See Art. i, Sec. 4; Art. xi, Sec. 18, ¶7. §See Art i, Sec. 4.

ing to and within the extent of the Ancient Landmarks and Usages of Freemasonry.

THE GRAND MASTER.

SEC. 2. The Grand Master enjoys all the powers of the and prerogatives conferred by the Ancient Constitutions and the Usages and Landmarks of the Craft, subject to the provisions of this Constitution. He shall exercise a general superintendence over the lodges in his jurisdiction, inspect their proceedings, and require a strict compliance with the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge. He may preside in any lodge with the Master at his left hand, and shall do all other acts and deeds as are warranted and required of him by the Constitution, Customs and Usages of the Fraternity.

SEC. 3. The specific duties of the Grand Master are: His duties.

¶1. To convene the Grand Lodge at any time when To convene the there shall appear to him an emergent occasion.

To take command of the other officers, and call Command officers; upon them at any time for advice and assistance on business relative to the Craft.

¶3. To appoint all committees of the Grand Lodge, Appoint comexcept as hereinafter stated.

¶4. To decide all questions of order.

Decide points of order;

¶5. To give the casting vote in Grand Lodge in the Give casting event of a tie.

¶6. To install the Deputy Grand Master.

Install Deputy.

¶7. To grant dispensations for the formation and Grant dispensations; establishment of new lodges during the recess of the Grand Lodge, at his discretion, not to extend beyond the close of the next Annual Communication.

¶8. To appoint brethren to fill offices rendered vacant Fill vacancies; in the Grand Lodge by death, refusal, resignation or inability to serve.

¶9. To subscribe, in presence of the Grand Lodge, Verify minthe minutes of its proceedings, after they shall have been proved. read to and approved by the Grand Lodge; said minutes to be by him delivered to the Grand Secretary, with directions to have them filed and preserved in his office.

¶10. To act on the Standing Committee on Work On Work and and Jurisprudence. Jurisprudence.

THE DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, GRAND WARDENS, ETC.

SEC. 4. In the event of the Grand Master's death, Who serves as absence, refusal, or inability to serve, all his powers and Grand Master in his absence. prerogatives shall devolve upon other officers, according to the following grade:

- ¶1. The Deputy Grand Master.
- ¶2. The Grand Senior Warden.
- ¶3. The Grand Junior Warden.
- ¶4. The Past Grand Officers, according to rank and seniority.
- ¶5. The presiding Masters of subordinate lodges, according to their rank, commencing with the oldest [lodge].

THE GRAND TREASURER.

Sec. 5. It is the duty of the Grand Treasurer— Grand Treasurer's duty.

¶1. To account to the Grand Lodge for all moneys How receive received by him. He shall not pay out any money save and pay money; by order of the Grand Master, except as hereinafter provided.

¶2. To prepare a statement of his accounts, and lay Statement of the same before the Grand Lodge on the first day of its accounts:

Grand Annual Communication. ¶3. To enter into bond, with satisfactory security, in

the penalty of ten thousand dollars, payable to the Grand Bond; Lodge of Kentucky, which bond shall be conditioned to receive and pay over all moneys which may belong Deliver prop. to the Grand Lodge; and at all times to hand over the erty to succes-

whole, or any part of said money, or bonds, or notes, or other property in his hands belonging to the Grand Lodge, upon the requisition of the Grand Lodge, or its authorized agents, and in all respects to discharge the

Care of bond. duties imposed upon him by said Grand Lodge. bond of the Grand Treasurer shall be filed with the

Can not act Grand Secretary, and he shall not enter upon the distill so qualified. charge of his duties until it is so executed and filed.

SEC. 6. The Grand Treasurer shall be allowed a com- Compensation. pensation of two per cent. on all moneys received and paid out by him.

SEC. 7. He is authorized to pay the drafts of the Payments au-Grand Secretary, made upon him in payment for the books and stationery needed for his office, for binding and printing and distributing the proceedings of the Grand Lodge, and for the rent of his office.

THE GRAND SECRETARY.

SEC. 8. It is the duty of the Grand Secretary—

His Duties-Moneys;

¶1. To receive all moneys due the Grand Lodge, and promptly pay them over to the Grand Treasurer.

Minutes;

¶2. To keep fair, true, and regular minutes of all proceedings of the Grand Lodge, proper to be written, and carefully preserve them in his office, when they have been approved by the Grand Lodge and signed by the Grand Master.

¶3. His term of office shall begin on the first day of January following the meeting of the Grand Lodge at which he is elected. The Finance Committee shall, Books examined; during the month of December of each year, examine

and if they find all things correct they will give a quietus to the Grand Secretary for the year just closed. The Finance Committee shall then require of the

the books, records and financial affairs of the office,

Grand Secretary to execute a new bond with satisfactory security, in the penalty of ten thousand dollars, payable to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, which bond shall be conditioned to receive and pay over all moneys

which may belong to the Grand Lodge, and at all times to hand over the whole or any part of said moneys, or notes, records, books, documents or other property in his hands belonging to the Grand Lodge, upon the

requisition of the Grand Lodge or its authorized agents, and in all respects to discharge the duties imposed upon him by said Grand Lodge. The Finance Committee

shall then report the result of their investigation to the Grand Master, and file the bond with him; and if Bond, etc.

he is satisfied with the investigation, and approves the bond, he will proceed either in person or by proxy to install the Grand Secretary elect, after which he, the said Grand Secretary, shall enter upon the discharge of his duties as provided in the Constitution. These proceedings shall be taken, as above provided, every year, whether the Grand Secretary be re-elected or enter Failure to give upon the discharge of his duties for the first time. If, from any cause, the foregoing is not complied with by the first day of January, then the Grand Master will . appoint a Grand Secretary, who shall execute bond as

above provided for, and discharge the duties of the

bond.

¶4. To attend personally, or by his assistant, at every To attend the regular communication of the Grand Lodge, with all Grand Lodge. his books, vouchers and papers.

office for the incoming year.*

¶5. To procure all the books and stationery for the Supplies for Grand Lodge, on the most reasonable terms, and draw on the Grand Treasurer for the amount thereof. ry's office.

¶6. To correspond with the subordinate lodges as To correspond he may be instructed by the Grand Master or Grand with subordi-Lodge. nate lodges.

¶7. To keep a book of accounts with subordinate Keep accounts lodges, in which he shall state the amount due the with lodges. Grand Lodge by each subordinate lodge, and give credit for all payments respectively.

¶8. To examine carefully the returns of all the subordinate lodges, and note errors, if any, to the debit or Returns. Statements of credit of each lodge in its account with the Grand accounts. Lodge, and to transmit at least once a year, to every lodge in arrears, a statement of its account.

¶g. The Grand Secretary shall be allowed a com-Compensation. pensation of twelvet hundred dollars per annum, and for copies of records made for parties employing him, ten cents per hundred words, and one dollar for affixing his seal of office to all transcripts, etc. But he shall not be entitled to any fee for affixing his official seal to documents ordered by the Grand Lodge for its own use.

^{*}Amended 1889, p. 76. †Amended 1891, p. 106, 112; 1892, p. 56.

¶10. At the close* of every Annual Communica-Printed proceedings of the tion of the Grand Lodge he shall cause ten† hundred Grand Lodge. copies of its procedings, embracing the returns of subordinate lodges,† and a like number of the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, bound in Foreign Corthe same cover, to be printed by the Masonic Home port. Printing Office (so long as it is under the management and sustained for the benefit of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home, as at present), at the prices established by the "Printers, Lithographers and Binders Association of Louisville." He shall transmit by mail How disposto the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the ed of. Grand Senior Warden, the Grand Junior Warden, and to the Past Grand Masters each one copy, to the subordinate lodges under this jurisdiction one copy each, and to the several Grand Lodges in correspondence with this Grand Lodge, each three copies, and a copy to each representative to and from other Grand Lodges, reserving a sufficient number of copies for the future use of the Grand Lodge. He shall also have a sufficient num- Daily proceedber of the daily proceedings printed for the use of the Grand Lodge, and forward a copy to each member of the Grand Lodge.§ He shall likewise have bound Binding other yearly all the proceedings of Grand Lodges in corre-proceedings. spondence with this Grand Lodge, and preserve the same in his office.

¶11. The Grand Secretary is hereby authorized to Old property. sell or otherwise dispose of the accumulated property of defunct lodges now or hereafter in his possession, the proceeds of such sales to be turned over to the Grand Treasurer.

THE GRAND CHAPLAIN.

SEC. 9. It is the duty of the Grand Chaplain to Prayer. open and close the sessions of the Grand Lodge with

^{*}Proceedings 1887, p. 54, Grand Secretary was authorized to commence with the printing of the Foreign Correspondence report, returns, etc., before Grand Lodge convenes, and to have the daily proceedings printed. Paragraph 10 amended as above, 1879, p. 77; 1880, p. 32; 1885, p. 64. †Amended 1890, pp. 53, 54. ‡Art. xi, Sec. 18, ¶5. §Amended 1890, pp. 53, 54, meaning the last day's proceedings that are to be sent to delegates. See 1891, p. 89. [Amended 1890, p. 53.

sermons. prayer, and to prepare and preach suitable sermons upon the subject of Freemasonry when directed by the Grand Master or the Grand Lodge.

THE ASSISTANT GRAND SECRETARY

SEC. 10. Shall be a member of a lodge subordinate Eligibility; to this Grand Lodge. The compensation of such Ascompensation sistant shall be fifty dollars per annum, payable by the Grand Lodge.*

THE GRAND DEACONS.

SEC. 11. It is the duty of the Grand Deacons to assist within the body of the Grand Lodge in the performance of such duties as by usage pertain to their office.

THE GRAND MARSHAL.

Proclamation. claim the Grand Officers elected; to introduce visiting Visitors. Processions. brethren of distinction, and to conduct the processions Collect papers of the Grand Lodge. Also, to collect petitions and and deliver to Grand Secreta-communications in the Grand Lodge, from the members thereof, and place them in the hands of the Grand Secstation. His station is at the right in front of the Grand Master.

THE GRAND SWORD BEARER.

SEC. 13. It is the duty of the Grand Sword Bearer "The Sword." to carry the sword in procession of the Grand Lodge, and perform such other duties as by ancient usage pertain to his office. Also, to assist the Grand Marshal in Collect papers collecting petitions and communications in the Grand for Grand Secretary.

Collect papers collecting petitions and communications in the Grand for Grand Secretary. Lodge, from the members thereof, and place them in Station. the hands of the Grand Secretary. His station is at the left in front of the Grand Master.

THE GRAND PURSUIVANT.†

SEC. 14. It is the duty of the Grand Pursuivant to station and guard the door of the Grand Lodge on the inside; to communicate with the Grand Tyler, and to announce

^{*}See Art. iv, Sec. 1; Art. v, Sec. 8, ¶4. †Pronounced Pur-swe-vant.

to the proper officers all applicants for admission by their names, Masonic address and connection.

THE GRAND TYLER.

SEC. 15. It is the duty of the Grand Tyler to guard the door of the Grand Lodge on the outside; to report duty. all persons claiming admission to the Grand Pursuivant, and see that none enter but such as may be duly authorized and properly clothed.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMITTEES.*

(See also Article iv, Section 4.)

SEC. I. At each Annual Communication of the Grand Grand Master Lodge the Grand Master shall appoint seven Standing to appoint the Standing Com-Committees, as follows:

mittees.

- ¶1. A Committee on Financet, to whom shall be Finance. referred all questions of a monetary character affecting the Grand Lodge, such as petitions for relief, for remission of dues, accounts, etc.; likewise the books and financial statements of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and shall discharge the duties as provided in Article v, Section 8, Paragraph 3.1
- T2. A Committee on Appeals, & to whom shall be Appeals. referred appeals from the decisions of subordinate lodges, or the Masters thereof, and all questions in con-Appeals shall be appointed on the last day of each when to meet. troversy between lodge and lodge. The Committee on Annual Communication, and shall be required to meet in the city of Louisville on the Monday | preceding the meeting of the Grand Lodge; and the members of said committee shall receive the same compensation as dele- Compensation. gates to the Grand Lodge, whether they represent subordinate lodges or not.

¶3. A Committee on Lodges Under Dispensation, Lodges U. D.

^{*}Must be members of Grand Lodge; See Art. 1v, Sec. 4. †G. M. to appoint at close of session, and Finance Committee instructed to report in Gr. Secretary's office Monday before the opening of Grand Lodge, in discharge of its duty; 1884, p. 62; to examine books of Gr. Secretary in December. See Art. v, Sec. 8 ¶3. ‡Adopted 1889, p. 76. §Name changed from "Grievances" to "Appeals," 1892, p. 93. ||Amended 1889, p. 76.

to whom shall be referred the work, by-laws and records of lodges under dispensation.

¶4. A Committee on Foreign Correspondence, who Foreign Cor- shall examine the communications received by the Grand respondence. Secretary from other Grand Lodges, etc., and present to the Grand Lodge an annual exhibit of the condition of Freemasonry around the globe.*

¶5. A Committee on Visitors, who shall examine all attendant and visiting brethren of the degree of Master Mason, and introduce them, if found worthy, to the Grand Lodge.

¶6. A Committee on Credentials, who shall examine the Credentials of delegates and representatives, Credentials. and report thereon.

¶7. A Committee on Jurisprudence,† to whom shall Jurisprudence, be referred all propositions to amend the Constitution Amendments and By-laws of the Grand Lodge; they shall, at the same meeting at which said propositions are offered, report whether, in their opinion, the same ought to be submitted for the future consideration of the Grand Lodge. If so reported, then said proposition shall lie over as hereinafter provided in Article xvii. All ques-

Questions of tions in Masonic Jurisprudence shall be referred to it for examination, and the committee shall report its opinion on such questions for the consideration of the Grand Lodge. They shall set forth in said opinion a sufficient statement of the case in controversy, so as to make the decisions of the Grand Lodge intelligible to the subor-Unfinished dinate lodges. They shall examine the proceedings of

> the previous meeting of the Grand Lodge, and report the unfinished business thereof. They shall also examine and report upon all matters appertaining to education which may be submitted to the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 2. Each of these Committees shall consist of Number on each three members, and shall report from day to day durcommittee, and when to report, ing the session of the Grand Lodge, as they are respectively called over by the Grand Master, except the

Visitors.

business.

Education.

^{*}See Art. vi, Sec. 2. †Grand Master acts on this committee. See Art. v, Sec. 2, ¶10.

Committee on Foreign Correspondence, which shall be Foreign Corallowed twelve months to make up a report, of which port. they shall have a sufficient number of copies printed and laid before the Grand Lodge.*

SEC. 3. There is hereby established a permanent Printing com-Committee on Printing. Said Committee shall consist of the Grand Master, Grand Senior Warden and Grand Junior Warden. Their duties shall be to give a careful oversight of the printing done for the Grand Lodge, which is under the immediate supervision of the Grand Secretary, and see that the same is executed faithfully, speedily, and at fair and equitable prices, and awarded to the lowest and best bidder: Provided, The Masonic Home printing office be unable to perform the work under the provisions of Article v, Section 8, Paragraph 10.†

ARTICLE VII.

OF BROTHERS.

(See also Articles ix-xiv.)

SEC. 1. It is the duty of every Freemason to live in peace, harmony and love with all mankind; to despise hatred, malice and calumny; to practice universal charity and benevolence; to avoid, as much as possible, all law suits, and to submit all differences that may arise between brethren-except such as may relate to real or personal property-to be reconciled by the several lodges to which they belong or by the Grand Lodge.

Duties-how

Differences, how settled.

SEC. 2. Every Freemason is enjoined to be cautious Words and dein his words and carriage, and not to address any person as a Mason except in private or in open lodge.

SEC. 3. No brother shall be a member of more than one lodge at the same time; and any lodge admitting a Responsibility for arrears. brother to membership who is in arrears to any other lodge, becomes thereby responsible to said lodge for the amount of his arrearages.

Membership.

SEC. 4. The removal of a member of the lodge into Removals.

^{*}While this was not formally amended, it is in effect modified by operation of Art. v, Sec. 8, ¶10—the last utterance of G. L. on the subject. †This amended 1885 as it now stands.

another jurisdiction does not forfeit his membership in his own lodge.

SEC. 5. No brother shall be suspended from the Before suspen- rights and privileges of Masonry for non-payment of an opportunity dues until he shall have been regularly notified of the to be heard. amount of his indebtedness and cited to appear before his lodge and make his defense, if any he may have,

Unknown ad- except when the brother's address is not known to any member of the lodge, in which case every reasonable means of complying with this regulation shall be exhausted before the lodge shall take action.

until payment of dues only.

Sec. 6.* Any brother suspended for non-payment Suspension of dues shall be suspended only until payment is made; and the payment of the amount charged against him, according to the by-laws of his lodge, shall restore him to full membership without any action on the part of the lodge.

Sec. 7. The vote to restore a suspended or expelled member shall be by ballot, and unanimous, except as Restoration. provided in the preceding section.

SEC. 8. No brother can be elected Master of a lodge Fligibility to who has not been previously elected and served as Warden of a lodge in this jurisdiction, or as Master of a lodge in another jurisdiction and presents a certificate setting forth that fact, except in extraordinary cases, or at the formation of a new lodge, when no Past Warden, who is willing and qualified to act as Master, is to be found among the members.

pulsions.

SEC. 9. Secretaries are required immediately to report Notice of ex- to the Grand Secretary the names of Masons expelled by their respective lodges, but in no case shall publication be made of expulsion, etc., in the public press except by order of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE VIII.

OF CANDIDATES.

SEC. I. No application for initiation or membership shall be received by a lodge unless the petitioner lives

^{*}Amended 1882, p. 75; again 1886, p. 70, as it now stands.

nearer that lodge than any other under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, or brings the unanimous recommendation from the lodge nearest his residence: *Provided*, That in towns where there are several lodges the petitioner may select the one to which he will present his petition.

Waiving.

Concurrent.

SEC. 2. No petition for initiation or membership shall be acted upon by a lodge until it has been regularly referred to a committee of investigation, and laid over from one monthly meeting to another for inquiry; nor shall any degree be conferred in less than one lunar month after the previous degree has been conferred on the same person.

Petitions.

SEC. 3. No petition for initiation or membership once Withdrawal of presented to and received by the lodge, can be withdrawn but with the unanimous consent of the lodge, expressed through the ballot-box; nor shall any petition be withdrawn after the committee shall have reported unfavorably thereon.

Sec. 4. A candidate for initiation must possess no deformity which would prevent him from being perfectly instructed in the art and mystery of Freemasonry, and in his turn instructing others according to the Ancient Landmarks.

Qualifications

SEC. 5. A candidate for initiation must be of the age Qualifications of twenty-one years and upwards, and a free-born white man.

SEC. 6. Where there are several lodges in the same Notice-of petown, the Secretary of each lodge shall furnish to the ballot; others prompt notices of all petitions for initiation or membership, which may be received by his lodge, and no ballot shall be had upon such petitions until such notices are given. They shall also immediately notify of rejections, each other of the rejection of any of said petitions, or suspensions, and the suspension or expulsion of a member, or of his rein-restorations. statement or restoration.

SEC. 7. No lodge shall confer the degree of Entered Fees for de-Apprentice for a less sum than ten dollars, nor the degrees of Fellow Craft and Master Mason for a less sum

than five dollars each, the amount to be paid to the Secretary before the degree is conferred. [See also Art. ix.]

Degrees by degrees on an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft who is a member of a lodge which is located in another jurisdiction, after having been requested to do so by the lodge of which he is a member, and after being satisfied that he has fulfilled all the necessary requirements qualifying him to be advanced.

ARTICLE IX.

OF THE BALLOT.

(Also Articles vii, Sec. 7; viii, Sec. 3.)

SEC. I. The general rule governing the ballot is,

Ballot unanimous. the admission either by initiation, advancement, or membership must be absolutely unanimous. It is therefore
Objections. competent for any member of the lodge to prevent the
admission of a candidate at any moment prior to his
initiation or advancement.

Where ballot- in a Master Mason's Lodge, but each lodge is authorized to regulate in its own by-laws the manner of voting upon petitions for initiation or advancement—the ballot for the first degree being spread in a Lodge of Entered Apprentices or Master Masons, and that of the second degree in a Lodge of Fellow Crafts or Master Masons, at the discretion of the lodge.

SEC. 3. No balloting for initiation, advancement or No ballot at membership shall be done at a called meeting.*

Unfavorable pear the balloting shall cease, and the candidate declared rejected, nor can his application be renewed for less than twelve months. But if, on the first ballot, one negative only appear a second ballot shall immediately take place; and if, on the second ballot, a negative still withdrawal. appear no ballot shall be taken for one year, unless by the second stated meeting thereafter the member op-

^{*}And no ballot at called meeting, Art. xi, Sec. 4.

posing shall voluntarily withdraw his objection in open lodge.

SEC. 5. In balloting for membership, in the event Sec. 1. of a black ball upon the second ballot, the brother may present his petition to the same or any other lodge in three months thereafter.

SEC. 6. The ballot upon advancing a brother to the ballot. Unanimity in degree of Fellow Craft or Master Mason must be equally unanimous as that upon a petition for initiation. The same rule as above last declared shall be adopted in balloting; and in the event of a black ball upon the second ballot no further ballot shall be taken in a less period than three months.

SEC. 7. An application for initiation, advancement Rejections. or membership, rejected by a lodge as above, can not be received in any other lodge only by similar restrictions.

SEC. 8. The ballot in all cases shall be strictly secret; Absolute secach brother shall be secured in his right to cast it privately and irresponsibly, as between himself and his own conscience.

SEC. 9. No vote shall be taken or means used to Caucuses. ascertain, either directly or indirectly, the sense of the lodge in reference to a petition, save as above directed.

ARTICLE X.

OF LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

(See also Articles vii, viii, ix, xi.)

SEC. 1. All regulations applicable to chartered lodges for chartered shall be equally binding upon those under dispensation. lodges binding.

SEC. 2. For a dispensation to congregate and work as a lodge, not exceeding twelve months, the fee to the Grand Lodge shall be five dollars, and three dollars additional to the Grand Secretary.

SEC. 3. Every such dispensation shall expire on the Limitation. last day of the Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge subsequent to its issuance, but the dispensation, together with the by-laws under which the

lodge has worked, and all its books, records, etc., shall be delivered to the Grand Secretary at the opening of Continuation. the Grand Lodge; and such dispensation may be continued from time to time by the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 4. No dispensation constituting a new lodge Dispensation. shall be granted by the Grand Master or the Grand Who may pe. Lodge unless all the petitioners are non-affiliated Matition for a new sons; and the demit of every signer of a petition for a lodge. dispensation to form a new lodge must accompany the Recommenda petition. They shall likewise be recommended by the nearest lodge, which shall, after satisfactory examination in open lodge of the principal officers of the proposed new lodge, also certify that the proposed Master and Wardens are qualified to do the work of Masonry according to the Ancient Landmarks, and that the said

Others consent. new lodge is necessary; and no new lodge shall be formed without the consent of all lodges whose jurisdiction would be affected thereby.

SEC. 5. Should the proposed new lodge be located Recommenda- in any city or town where there are more than four lodges established, then the consent of a majority of said lodges shall likewise be required before a dispensation shall be granted for the formation of said new lodge.

SEC. 6. A lodge having worked under dispensation, and received a charter from the Grand Lodge, shall Officers to be have its officers regularly installed before proceeding to installed, and work as a chartered lodge. when.

SEC. 7. The fee for a charter shall be thirty dollars Feesforchar- to the Grand Lodge and six dollars to the Grand Secter. retary, all to be paid before the charter shall be issued.

ARTICLE XI.

OF CHARTERED LODGES.

(See also Articles vii, viii, ix.)

SEC. 1. Every subordinate chartered lodge shall have Lodge seal a Masonic seal, to be affixed to its certificates and other Impression to documents. An impression from such seal is to be sent be sent Grand to the Grand Secretary, to be preserved in his office;

tion of the nearest lodge.

tions in cities.

and due notice is to be given him of any change in such seal, with an impression from the substitute.

SEC. 2. The lodges are forbidden to perform any Work on Sun-Masonic work on Sunday save the burial of the dead.

SEC. 3. All business of the lodge, save balloting for Business-where balloting initiation and advancement, and the work of the first done. and second degrees, shall be done in the Master Mason's Lodge.

SEC. 4. Lodges at called meetings are not bound by Called meetings. regulation to open in any degree save that for which the call was made; but no business shall be performed at a called meeting save that which was specified in the summons (or notice); and no ballot shall be taken at a called meeting.

SEC 5. The annual proceedings of the Grand Lodge, Grand Lodge and all documents forwarded by the Grand Lodge, shall papers read in lodge. be publicly read in each of the subordinate lodges as soon as possible after their reception.

SEC. 6. It is the duty of each lodge to communicate Communicate with the Grand to the Grand Secretary, from time to time, all matters Secretary. occurring therein, of a general character.

SEC. 7. Lodges will use their own discretion in the Demits. granting of demits, having reference to the character of a brother, and his account on the books.

SEC. 8. Every lodge subordinate to this Grand Lodge Grand Lodge shall pay annually to the Grand Lodge the following assessments, viz:

For each member of the lodge, one dollar, except on Free members. ministers of the gospel created free members of the lodge, by its vote, and who are exempt from the annual payment of dues to said lodge (and except as in Sec. 9).

SEC. 9. No subordinate lodge shall hereafter be re- A Mason for quired to pay dues to the Grand Lodge on such of its empt. members, if any, who, for a period of fifty years, have been affiliated Master Masons of some subordinate lodge, regularly during all this time, paying dues as such.

SEC. 10. No subordinate lodge shall be discharged Final discharge

^{*}See also Art. ix, Sec. 3.

from a demand against it until the receipt of the Grand Secretary shall have been obtained therefor.

Sec. 11. Lodges in arrears to the Grand Lodge for Lodges in ar- more than twelve months, and lodges unrepresented in the Grand Lodge for three successive years, shall be cited to show cause why their charters shall not be arrested.

SEC. 12. Each lodge shall elect its officers annually,

Election of of on the festival of St. John the Evangelist, December
27th, except when the day falls on Sunday, in which
event the election shall be held the day before or the
day after, at the choice of the lodge. And in that event
it shall be proper for the lodge to set the election for
December 26th, or December 28th, at the previous stated
meeting. Provided, That where two or more lodges
meet in the same room, in which case they may elect
officers at the last regular meeting preceeding December
27th.

SEC. 13. Elections shall be held in the third degree In Third de- of Masonry, and every officer of a lodge must be a Masfications. ter Mason.

SEC. 14. The rules for elections in subordinate Rules for elections lodges shall be similar to those adopted in the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 15. No officer shall serve in any station until he Installation. is duly installed.

Return of of- after each election of officers, shall cause the Secretary to report to the Grand Secretary the names of the officers so elected and appointed.

Charter for by the Grand Lodge, or surrendered by action of the lodge itself, all the property, books, accounts, etc., shall be the property of the Grand Lodge, and subject to its absolute disposal. When a lodge is dissolved, it is the duty of the last Master, Treasurer and Secretary, when property sent to Gr. Secretary.

When property sent to Gr. Secretary the charter, books, papers, jewels, furniture and funds of said lodge; and the last pre-

siding officer shall transmit to the Grand Secretary an inventory thereof, and be responsible for the execution of this regulation. No member of such lodge shall be admitted into any other lodge, nor entitled to the benefits of Masonry, until he has paid all arrears due from him to such lodge to the Grand Secretary, or has had the same remitted by the Grand Lodge. But no char- Surrender of ter shall be surrendered by the lodge so long as there are seven or more of the paying members willing to maintain and work under it.

SEC. 18. The fiscal year shall commence with September 1 and close with August 31 of each year, both days included.

¶2. Each lodge shall make a return every year to the Grand Lodge, and on the blanks furnished by the Grand Secretary, according to the instructions thereon.

Returns. How made.

- ¶3. Returns shall include a list of officers, an alphabetical list of Past Masters, Master Masons, Fellow Crafts and Entered Apprentices, and all work done during the fiscal year, with the changes in membership.
- ¶4. Returns shall be made in duplicate and in ink, one copy retained and preserved by the lodge Secretary and the other forwarded to the Grand Secretary be- When sent to tween August 31 and September 3.

- ¶5. The Grand Secretary shall cause to be printed Printing of. in the annual proceedings only such returns as are made with reasonable accuracy and are legibly written.
- ¶6. Each lodge shall also forward to the Grand Dues, when Secretary the dues or other indebtedness to the Grand Lodge as soon as practicable after August 31, and not later than October 1.
- ¶7. The representative of any lodge failing to make Penalty for failure. return and payment, as herein provided, shall not be entitled to mileage and per diem for that year.
- SEC. 19. ¶1. Two or more lodges having contigu- Consolidation ous jurisdiction may consolidate into one by observing the following methods, viz:
- ¶2. At a stated meeting of each lodge a resolution, Steps to be taduly made and seconded, shall be introduced to the

Charter.

effect that said lodge will consolidate with the other by the surrender of, its charter. The proposition lies over until the next stated meeting. The Secretary, within five days, shall notify each member of his lodge by written communication to the effect that the full sense of the lodge be had upon the proposition.

Notices.

¶3. When the proposition comes up for consideration, Vote neces- if a majority of those present vote for it the proposition is adopted: Provided, That if seven or more votes are in the negative the proposition is considered lost.

¶4. If the proposition is carried the Secretary of Notices sent. each lodge shall promptly notify the other of the action taken, giving a list of brethren present, and the character of each vote-whether ave or no.

¶5. If the lodges are in harmony of action, as above, Time, place, the Grand Master shall be notified that he may set the and name. time and place of meeting of the consolidated lodge, and direct what name shall be given to it. The registered number shall be that of the elder lodge.

¶6. At such meeting, as above, the officers of the Who presides, elder lodge shall preside so far as to open the lodge, Consolidations. whereupon an election of officers of the consolidated lodge shall be immediately had, and all the details of finance, etc., be established and a set of by-laws adopted.

Secretary.

¶7. The Secretary of the consolidated lodge shall Reports to Gr. immediately report to the Grand Master the action above indicated, and shall forward to the Grand Secretary a full transcript of the proceedings had in the two lodges relative to consolidation.

tion of Grand

Properties.

Charters.

¶8. No further action of the Grand Master will be No further ac- considered necessary to legalize the proceedings, and the Master necessa- consolidated lodge will set out upon its career with all the moneys, properties and privileges heretofore enjoyed by the original lodges, except that the old charters of the lodges shall be filed with the Grand Secretary, and a new charter shall be issued covering the fact of consolidation.

SEC. 20. When the Master and Senior and Junior Who to pre- Wardens are absent from the lodge at any stated meeting, the lodge can be opened and the business transacted by the Junior Past Master of said lodge present.*

ARTICLE XII.

TRIALS.

(See also Articles vii, xiii, xiv.)

SEC. 1. A brother of any degree, being charged with be tried in Ky. unmasonic conduct, shall be tried by the lodge of which he is a member; or if he is not a member of any lodge subordinate to this Grand Lodget he shall be tried by any lodge within whose jurisdiction the offense was committed. When a Mason, who is affiliated in any Tried in other lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of this State, shall remove his citizenship or residence from this to another State, or establishes permanent business relations in such other State, the lodge nearest such residence or place of busidess may, at its option, take and have penal jurisdiction over him, and may reprimand, suspend or expel him, after due trial, according to its own by-laws and the Constitution of the Grand Lodge under which it is holden. But this amendment shall Provisos. only apply to such jurisdictions as shall accord to us the same rights and like privileges over such members as shall come from their jurisdiction to our own. †

SEC. 2. When a lodge shall proceed against a brother for unmasonic conduct, written charges with specifications, shall be made against him, and a committee of not less than three members be appointed to take the testimony against as well as for him. The Secretary shall furnish a copy of these charges and specifications to the accused, and also a notice which shall set the period for taking evidence to sustain them. The accused The accused. shall be permitted, at the same time and place, to offer evidence exculpating himself from the charges. accused shall likewise have permission to take evidence in his own behalf, at such other time and place as he

Committee to

^{*}Adopted 1892, p. 56. †That is, if non-affiliated. Regulation-"Jurisdiction." ‡Amended as it stands, 1881, p. 46.

may select, upon giving reasonable notice to the Master of the lodge,

SEC. 3. In all cases the whole of the testimony, so Evidence writ- far as it is proper to be written, must be reduced to written a preserved. ing, and carefully preserved in the archives of the lodge.

SEC. 4. Any Mason guilty of unmasonic conduct, who shall abscond so that due notice of charges and specifications can not be served upon him, shall be proceeded against as though present, allowing him three months' time to make his appearance. In such event a Plea, counsel. plea of not guilty shall be entered in his name upon the record,* and a brother appointed to defend him, to whom Notice to take notice of the time and place of taking testimony shall be given, and who shall be allowed to adduce testimony in behalf of the accused.

SEC. 5. All trials shall be had in the lodge opened in Trial where. the highest degree to which the accused has attained, and the verdict and the penalty shall be given only in that degree.

ARTICLE XIII.

PENALTIES.

SEC. 1. The only penalties known to Masonry are reprimand, suspension for a definite period, and expulsion.

SEC. 2. Suspension or expulsion from a chapter,

Effect of expulsion from a chapter, or consistory, shall not affect the chapter, etc. affiliation of a Mason in his lodge.

SEC. 3. A brother suspended for a definite period termination regains his membership at the termination of that period, of suspension, effect of. without any action of the lodge. If suspended for non-Non-payment payment of dues, the payment of the amount charged of dues, effect of payment. up against him restores him to his former standing, without any action of the lodge.

ARTICLE XIV.

APPEALS.

SEC. I. No appeal shall be considered by the Grand Valid appeals. Lodge unless the same is received by the Grand Secre-

^{*}Record of committee appointed to take evidence. See Code.

tary on or before the Saturday preceding the meeting When made. of the Grand Lodge.

SEC. 2. The accused, or any other brother being a Right of apmember of the same lodge and declaring himself aggrieved by the decision of the lodge, may appeal to the Grand Lodge at its next Grand Annual Communica- When made. tion;* and this body shall finally adjudicate the affair. To secure the right of appeal, a notice to the lodge in Notice to the writing by the appellant shall be deemed sufficient; and it shall then be the duty of the Secretary to forward, as Trancript to be sent to Grand soon as possible, to the Grand Secretary a complete Secretary. transcript of the charges and specifications, the evidence adduced for and against the accused, and the whole record of the trial and sentence.

SEC. 3. Should the Grand Lodge declare a trial irregular trial. ular (on appeal), and the sentence therefore illegal, the accused shall be replaced on his former footing in all respects and be subject to a new trial upon the former or new charges. But should the Grand Lodge pronounce a restoration from a sentence of suspension or Effect of resexpulsion, the brother thus restored is not replaced in his former membership in his lodge—that can only be done by unanimous vote of the lodge which sentenced him.

SEC. 4. When any lodge under the jurisdiction of Complaints bethis Grand Lodge shall feel aggrieved at any action of another lodge, and desire the matter to be laid before file its complaint against said sister lodge with the Grand retary. Secretary, at least sixty days before the next succeeding Annual Communication thereof; and it shall be the duty How disposed of the Grand Secretary, within five days thereafter, to forward by mail to the accused lodge, a copy of the complaint, and to summon it to file its answer to the charges at least twenty days before the meeting of the Grand Lodge, and immediately after the accused lodge, shall file with the Grand Secretary its answer, said Grand Secretary shall forward to the accusing lodge a

^{*}See Gen. Reg. 1721, xiii, xviii.

Notice of taking with him. Each lodge shall give notice of the time and place of taking proof and give the opposite party an opportunity of cross-examining the witnesses introduced, and each lodge shall appoint its own committee to take its own evidence.

ARTICLE XV.

ELECTIONEERING.

SEC. I. Electioneering in any way for office in the Prohibited. Grand Lodge is positively prohibited, and any member guilty of the offense shall be ineligible to office, and, if an officer, forfeit the office held by him; and the same rule shall apply to subordinate lodges.

ARTICLE XVI.

LEGITIMATE BODIES.

SEC. I. This Grand Lodge acknowledges no degree Degrees ac of Masonry or order of Knighthood to be legitimate knowledged: and genuine except those conferred by or under the authority of the following Masonic bodies of the United States of America and those of corresponding rank in foreign countries, recognized by or in fraternal correspondence with this Grand Lodge, to-wit: The Grand Lodges of Free and Accepted Masons of the several Lodges, States and Territories; the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States, and the Grand Chapters, Chapters of Royal Arch Masons of the States and Territories; the General Grand Council of Royal and Select Councils, Masters of the United States and the Grand Councils of Royal and Select Masters of the States and Territories; Commanderies, the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States and the Grand Commanderies of the States and Territories; the Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for A. A. S. R.. the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which *Albert Pike is now Grand Commander, and the Su-

^{*}Died April 2, 1891.

preme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States, of which Henry L. Palmer is now Grand Commander; and any Mason who shall hereafter take or receive, or communicate, or confer, or sell, or be present at or assist in communicating, or conferring, or selling, or solicit any one to take or apply for any alleged Masonic degree or Order of Knighthood, in any assemblage of men, no matter by what name soever it may be called, except it be held under the authority of one of the bodies hereinbefore acknowledged to be legitimate and genuine, shall be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry. Provided, however, that Proviso. before the privileges thus guaranteed to the several bodies enumerated, their respective Grand Councils, Encampments, etc., shall first amend their several Constitutions, viz: Requiring that each member of their subordinate bodies shall henceforth be in active affiliation with some subordinate Blue Lodge.

Penalties,

ARTICLE XVII.

AMENDMENTS.+

SEC. 1. No clause of this Constitution shall be altered How Constior done away, or any new one adopted, until the pro- amended. posed alteration, amendment, nullification, etc., shall have been handed in and read to the Grand Lodge, regularly seconded, and remain one whole vacation for the consideration of subordinate lodges.

SEC. 2. The "By-laws and Rules of Order" may be Rules and byamended at any time by a majority vote of the lodges represented in Grand Lodge.

laws amended.

SEC. 3. All regulations, By-laws, Rules of Order, Repealing foretc., heretofore in force and governing this Grand mer laws, etc. Lodge, except as herein stated and set forth, are hereby declared abrogated and of no effect.

^{*}This entire section was adopted in 1889. See Proceedings, p. 77, but was erroneously numbered. †See also Art. vi, Sec. 1, ¶7.

BY-LAWS

AND

RULES OF ORDER

FOR THE

GOVERNMENT OF THE GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY, AND ITS SUBORDINATE LODGES WHEN APPLICABLE.

Opening. Of each day on which it shall have been previously called or adjourned to, and after being opened the regnerations.

Reading the ister of its proceedings on the preceding day shall be read.

RULE 2. After the register of the proceedings are read, petitions shall be called for by the Grand Master;

Reports from next, reports from standing committees; and lastly, reports from select committees.

Appeals from tions of order, subject to an appeal to the Grand Lodge.

Rule 4. The Grand Master shall appoint all com
Who appoints mittees.

Committees.

Silence when Grand Lodge, or putting a question, or a brother is the Grand Mass ter speaks.

Speaking, no brother shall entertain any private discourse, nor pass between the speaker and the Chair.

RULE 6. When a motion is made and seconded it when a motion is shall be stated by the Grand Master, or being in writtion is debatable ing, it shall be handed to the Chair, and read aloud by the Grand Secretary before being debated.

RULE 7. Every motion shall be reduced to writing

Motion reduced if the Grand Master or any other brother desires it.

to writing.

When in pos- Master, or read by the Grand Secretary, it shall be deemed to be in the possession of the Grand Lodge,

May be with- but it may be withdrawn by consent at any time before decision or amendment.

RULE 9. The Past Grand Officers, Past Masters Seats accordand Representatives of subordinate lodges shall each have seats assigned them by the Grand Master according to rank and seniority.

RULE 10. When the Grand Lodge adjourns all the Adjournment. officers and members shall seat themselves in their respective places until the Grand Master shall go forth, and then they may follow.

RULE II. When a brother rises to speak he shall How to adress the Gr. respectfully address himself to the ["Most Worship-Master."] ful Grand Master," and shall* [before he makes any motion or remarks | first announce his name and the name, number and location of his lodge. If he transgresses the rules of the Grand Lodge in speaking or otherwise, the Grand Master shall call him to order, May be called when he shall immediately sit down unless permitted to order. to explain.

RULE 12. No brother shall speak more than twice To speak only to any question, without leave, nor more than once once. until every other brother wishing to speak has spoken. And when two or more rise at the same time to speak When two or the Grand Master shall name the brother who shall more arise at speak first.

RULE 13. No brother shall vote on any question Not to vote if where he is particularly and personally interested, nor interested, etc. where he is not present when the question is first put. Nor shall there be any debate after the question is put Debate ceases. by the Grand Master.

RULE 14. Every brother having a right to vote, All must vote. who is present when the question is put, shall vote, unless for special reasons he be excused.

RULE 15. When a question is under debate no motion shall be received unless to amend it, to commit it, to postpone it, for the previous question or to adjourn.

RULE 16. The previous question being moved and The previous seconded, the question shall be, "Shall the main ques-question. tion be now put?" and if the nays prevail the main question shall not then be put.

^{*}If not recognized by the Grand Master by name. See Representative.

RULE 17. The ordering of the previous question

Effect of the shall only be to cut off debate and subsequent amendprevious question.

ments; and the question shall be on amendments pending, beginning with the last and successively back to
the original proposition.

How decided. Rule 18. The previous question shall be decided without debate.

Motions for longer than one day shall always be in order, and to be decided without debate, but all other motions for adjournment may be decided as in other cases.

RULE 20. Any member may call for the division of Question may a question, where the sense will admit of it.

RULE 21. Motions and reports may be committed at Commitment. the pleasure of the Grand Lodge.

RULE 22. A motion for amendment, until decided,
Amendments. shall preclude all other amendments of the main question.

Admissible the subject matter on which the original motion was intended to operate, shall be admitted under color of Substitutes. amendment as a substitute for the motion under debate.

RULE 24. No member, except one of the majority

Reconsidera- who decided a question, shall be permitted to move for
a reconsideration of such question.

Rule 25. The call of lodges shall be had upon the Call of lodges. demand of any thirty (30) representatives of this Grand Lodge.



REGULATIONS

OF

DIGEST OF DECISIONS.

Also, Consult Analytical Index.

Note.—This part of the Book of Constitutions, heretofore called *Digest*, because it contained an abridgment of decisions collated and arranged under proper heads will, in Masonic parlance, be known as *Regulations*, that being an older Masonic designation of rules for the direction and government of the Craft.

References to the Constitution give the article in numerals with the section and paragraph following in figures, thus: "xiv, 18, 7." Reference to paragraphs in this division, thus: "Reg. 57;" Year and page of proceedings thus: "1891, 17," and so on.

ACCUSED.

- 1. The accused must have a fair trial.—1871, 17. Fair trial.
- 2. The accused must be served with a copy of the Charges served. charges and specifications filed against him; or, being absent, the charges must lie over three months, a plea Absence of ac of not guilty entered, and a counsel appointed to defend him.—1872, 72.

ACQUITTAL.

3. Any member may move for a new trial whether New trial after. the accused is adjudged innocent or guilty.*—1884, 11.

ADVANCEMENT.

- 4. The Constitution does not require a petition for advancement, nor need the application be referred to a necessary.
- 5. A renewal of the application may be made as Application aforten as rejection occurs [three months having elapsed]. Members should have some notice of the renewal of the application, which must be the voluntary act of the party rejected. The lapse of three months after rejection does

^{*}This I presume means, in case there were legal defects or errors in the first trial, or good cause shown.

not renew the application or authorize any action or ballot by the lodge, except by request of the rejected himself.—1891, 53, 54; also Reg. 47, 48, 57.

AGENT.

- 6. The Grand Secretary is the particular agent re-Dead lodge af- cognized by the Constitution to wind up the affairs of defunct lodges.—1883, 9; 1885, 64; xi, 17.
- 7. He may sell jewels of defunct lodges. [See Grand Dead lodge jew- Secretary.]
- 8. The Grand Master is authorized to employ legal Counsel of ag't. counsel in settling up the affairs of defunct lodges or investigating their rights to real estate.—1888, 64. On suggestion of the Fiscal Agent.—1888, 27.

AID, ASSIST.

9. The obligation to aid and assist extends only to "worthy brothers, their widows and orphans," etc. A worthy brother is certainly such only as are in good standing. If he is suspended, it matters not from what when obligations cease, our obligations toward him cease until such time as he shall regain his good standing; and if he die without having done so, that is the misfortune of himself and his family, and not the fault of the Fraternity. The ancient charges say, "Do good unto all, but remember it more especially unto the household of the faithful." Who faithful. Who are faithful? Such only as are in good standing.—1874, 47.

- Aid to the sus- to extend charity to the family of a suspended Mason, but we only mean to say we are not bound to do so.—

 1874, 47.
- Appeals must printed, not addressed to the lodge to which the applicant belongs, or to members thereof, that does not bear the approval of the Grand Master, are discountenanced.

 Penalty. A lodge violating this rule subjects itself to forfeiture of its charter, and a member doing so shall be suspended or expelled by his lodge.—1893, 45.

AMENDMENTS.—See By-laws.

AMERICAN DOCTRINE.

12. It is a well established doctrine in Freemasonry Jurisdiction acthat territorial jurisdiction once legally acquired is exclusive. It is not difficult to see wherein that doctrine is sustained by reason and sanctioned by every idea of genuine teaching. Evolved from the best thought of the past its wisdom is confirmed by time and experience. And when jurisdiction is so acquired there is no way by which the possessor can be evicted without its consent, for territory once legally taken is not suscepti- Alienated only ble of re-entry by another, unless the first proprietor has lost its right to hold by non-user or voluntary abandonment. Were it otherwise, and rivalry among Ma- Reasons. sonic bodies over territory already taken was allowed, then indeed there would be an end to Masonic peace. No Masonic body can admit a rival upon its own territory, and the organization that commits encroachment ted. upon territory previously appropriated and already held by another does, by so doing, invite repudiation, and places itself under the ban of Masonic interdiction. is a trespasser, and its acts are acts of usurpation, and Being trespassthat, too, although its operations elsewhere may be ful. legitimate.—1889, 24.

13. There is no Masonic Grand body in the world Doctrine firmly which has announced more clearly, or held more tenaciously the American doctrine of exclusive territorial jurisdiction—the Monroe doctrine of Masonry—than the Monroe doctrine deemed estrine de estri Grand Lodge has uttered to the world, "rendered necessary by the progress of Masonry, to prevent difficulties, heart-burnings, strife and confusion. Its assertion is sanctioned by the very necessities that have arisen for its promulgation, in the well-being and orderly government of the Craft in each jurisdiction, and to prevent confusion among the workmen."-1888, 66.

ANCIENT, ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE.

Supreme Councils recognized. between them, two legitimate Grand Bodies of the Ancils recognized. cient and Accepted Scottish Rite,...viz: The Supreme Council of the Northern Jurisdiction, holding its seat at Boston, in Massachusetts, and the Supreme Council for the Southern Jurisdiction, holding its seat at Charleston, in South Carolina.—1869, 81-3; 1888, 66.

Masonically lemacy at all, it had established its claim in this State. So far as it could be considered Masonic it had been And recognized recognized, and had perfected its territorial jurisdiction.

Undisputed jurisdiction.

Undisputed jurisdiction.

American doctrine.

The "American Doctrine" of State rights, and exclusive jurisdiction in Masonic matters, protected it.—1888, 10, 11; see Constitution, xvi; Reg. 934.

Gr. Const'y of Kentucky, Southern Jurisdiction I has continuously held possession [in Kentucky], and since then its existence was recognized and its legitimacy announced by this Grand Lodge. And never... has anything arisen to disrupt the harmonious enjoyment of the respective immunities belonging to it or this Grand Lodge....—
1889, 25.

Clandestine preme Councils recognized by this Grand Lodge are clandestine and fraudulent.—1888, 16.

Grand Lodge may say who may build on Sym-G. L. authority. bolic Masonry.—Reg. 416-418.

APPEAL.

- 18. No appeal lies to the Grand Lodge in favor of Who may not. the applicant for affiliation with a lodge because of his Rejected can't. rejection.—1891, 62.
- 19. A profane can not appeal from the action of a Profanes can't, lodge rejecting him.—1868, 75.
- 20. Appeals can only be taken by the accused or a Accused or a member of the lodge trying him.—1872, 71.

- 21. Any member of the lodge has the right of appeal.—1884, 11.
- 22. The accuser, as well as the accused, in a lodge Accuser or agtrial, or any member of a lodge feeling aggrieved at the decision of his lodge, may appeal from such decis- To whom app'l. ion to the Grand Lodge.—1872.
- 23. An appeal from the subordinate lodge must be Made to next to the next session of the Grand Lodge subsequent to the decision.—1871, 17.
- 24. An appeal must be made within one year of the Within one yr. time when the act of expulsion was passed.—1871, 59.
- 25. Appeals can not be considered unless received by Filed when. Grand Secretary on or before the Saturday preceding the next meeting of the Grand Lodge subsequent to the decision.—1891, 101.
- 26. A brother can take an appeal from the decision From Gr. Mas. of the Grand Master to the Grand Lodge; but pending the time intervening the hearing of this appeal the Pending appeal mandate of the Grand Master must be obeyed. If this were not so there would be no propriety in asking his opinion.—1873, 59.
- 27. Copies of proceedings of a lodge and evidence in Record under a case of appeal must be under seal of the lodge.-1866, 49. Also, in all cases where an appeal is brought to this Grand Lodge from a subordinate lodge, a full Full, in ink, and complete transcript of the proceedings, written in plain. ink, in legible handwriting, on paper the sheets of How made up. which are fastened together and paged, and the whole certified by the Secretary and authenticated by the Authenticated. lodge seal, should accompany the appeal. The person Rights of ap appealing is entitled to this as a matter of right, be-peliant. cause otherwise neither the Committee on Grievances [now Appeals] nor the Grand Lodge can intelligently act without great and unnecessary labor; and papers materially affecting the case might be lost or mislaid or others inserted. This matter is of the highest right. -1883, 31.
- 28. Appeals are defective when, 1. There is nothing Defective apto show who prayed the appeal. 2. Nor for what, nor peals.

from what said appeal was taken. 3. Where there is no certificate of the Secretary of the lodge upon the record. 4. When there is no transcript of the action of the lodge upon the charges or evidence, and nothing to show what punishment, if any, was inflicted. 5. When record, or pretended record, consists of what purports to be a copy of charges, the evidence, report of committee on same, and a copy of the notice served on the accused to take proof [without being properly authenticated, etc., as in Reg. 27]. This exhibits a degree of carelessness that should not be overlooked by the Grand Lodge.—1879, 51.

Carelessness.

tence restores.

29. A suspended Mason, whose sentence is reversed Reversal of sen- upon appeal to the Grand Lodge, is restored only to Status of ac fellowship of the Craft at large. He stands in the light of a demitted Mason until the expiration of the sentence inflicted by the subordinate lodge, unless restored by the lodge.—1877, 14.

30. When the Grand Lodge on appeal declares a Irregular trial. trial irregular it is equivalent to remanding the case for Status of ac a new trial, and the status of accused is as a member under charges, not entitled to demit until the case is disposed of.—1884, 11.

Reprimand.

31. When a reprimand is inflicted the remedy is in appeal.—1884, 11.

ASSESSMENT.

32. Action of the Grand Lodge in assessing a tax Constitutional. for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans' Home was within the constitutional authority pertaining to this body.—1877, 55; 1880, 41.

33. When the treasury is inadequate, and the lodge Payment en- fails to provide for the Home assessment, the Master Charged as dues should order the Secretary to charge on the dues-book an amount against each member which will enable the Non-payment. lodge to pay the assessment; and failure to pay will subject the recusant to suspension.—1877, 15.

34. A lodge has the right to remit dues but shall not by such remission relieve itself from liability to pay as-Remission of.

sessment for the benefit of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home. This fund is inalienable.—1892, 54. Inalienable.

- 35. A member can be suspended for failing or refus- Refusal to pay. ing to pay the [Home] assessment, the same as for dues.—1878.
- 36. When the assessment was made for the benefit of Ministers pay. the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home it was specially provided that ministers should not be exempt.—
 1880, 41.
- 37. There is nothing in the Constitution of the Grand Ministers must Lodge to prevent a subordinate lodge from providing for the supension of a minister who refuses to pay the Refusal to pay. assessment for the benefit of the Home.—1887, 15.
- 38. Proctor Lodge is required to pay [assessment] An example. for Bro. Thomas [a minister], and she had a perfect right to compel Bro. Thomas to contribute his part. If the views contended for by Bro. Thomas were correct, then Proctor Lodge would be compelled to contribute one dollar annually for the privilege of having Bro. Thomas a member. This is not in accord with the spirit of our institution—"Each fellow should bear his Each bears his due proportion of the burden."—1880, 41.
- 39. A member can only vote upon the assessment Vote on, where, proposition in the lodge of which he is a member.—
 1882, 20.
- 40. An assessment of one dollar [a year] for each Amount of, \$1. member, including ministers, is levied upon the member-ship of this jurisdiction for support of the beneficiaries of the Home, provided that any surplus shall be added The surplus. To the Endowment Fund; the assessment shall be collected from the members of subordinate lodges as other How collected. dues are collected, and the amount paid over to the Grand Secretary in the same manner and at the same To whom paid. time that the dues of subordinate lodges are paid, and by him paid over to the Secretary of the Home; but no commission shall be allowed for collecting or paying No commission. over the assessment, and each affiliated Mason in Kentucky shall receive the Home Journal without cost.— Home Journal. 1881, 65; 1891, 110, 120; 1892, 21, 23, 35.

- By lodge for assessment of fifty cents, as a charity fund, upon each brother, at the death of a member, does not conflict with our Constitution.—1888, 16.
- 42. The remission of dues does not carry with it a Remit'g dues, remission of assessment.—1880, 46, 47. Non-affiliated not liable for. See Reg. 34, 690.

ASSIST-See Aid.

ASSISTANT GRAND SECRETARY.

43. The Assistant Grand Secretary is an officer des-Constitutional ignated by the Constitution. He has responsible duties Duties, etc. to perform, and has much to do with taking and recording the minutes of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge. In the temporary absence of the Grand Secretary he would discharge his duties. This he should do under Official obli- an official obligation. In other jurisdictions a special charge has been prepared and laid down in installation Charged. Responsibility. ceremonies for this official. He should be held to responsibility by the Grand Lodge, and should be in fact, as well as in name, an officer of that body. So important is this office that the incumbent can not act unless Appointment approved by the Grand Lodge, and he is the only appointive officer to whom the Grand Lodge reserves the right to object.—1891, 71.

ATTORNEY—See Agent.

BALLOT.

44. The acceptance or rejection of a candidate must A personal act. be a personal act. One member can not cast a black Proxy ballot. [or white] ball for another.—1876, 20.

Where cast. be done in those degrees if the by-laws so specify.

[Con. ix, 2.] And if so done every member entitled who cast it.

At stat'd meet. 46. Balloting must be at a regular meeting. [Con. ix, 3.]—1888, 16, 17.

^{*}Established 1816, 27, re-established 1857, 97.

47. No balloting for initiation, advancement or mem- None at called bership shall be done at a called meeting (Con. ix, 3), I nor for any purpose, Constitution, Article xi., Section 4], hence it was irregular for an Entered Apprentice to be balloted on for advancement at a called meeting, being positively forbidden.—1891, 55, 100.

48. The election of a candidate to the E. A. degree For each deg. does not elect him to the F. C. or Master's degree. The ballot for advancement is both upon the proficiency in And proficie'cy. the preceding degree and general worthiness of the candidate for further honors from the Craft, but should be By Separate ballots. determined by separate ballot.—1893, 6, also Reg. 5.

49. Should any brother disclose the vote given by him Disclosing a upon the initiation, passing or raising of an applicant, or on a petition for membership, except as provided for in the Constitution,* or institute inquiry as to how any Or inquiry, an other brother may have voted, the brother so offending shall be cited to appear before the lodge for trial upon Penalty. charges; and if convicted, shall be suspended or expelled, as the lodge may determine. \tau_1868, 68.

50. No inquiry can be made as to how a member of Inquiry into It rests with the conscience of the india lodge voted. vidual Mason. The secrecy of the ballot is inviolable. - Secrecy of. 1892, 9. Reg. 49.

51. However maliciously a black ball may be sup- Malicious vote. posed to have been cast, the offending brother can not be arraigned. Although a brother can not be arraigned for casting a black ball, yet he may be for confessing Disclos'g ballot that he did cast it, t because that would violate the essential secrecy of the ballot-box; and should his confession show the motive that prompted the black ball, he stands in the worst position before the lodge.—1877, 64.

52. The black ball does not affect the Masonic stand- Black's effect ing of a demitted Mason who applies for membership.— 1877, 15.

53. When a brother petitions for membership, and a Rejected's reblack ball appears on the second ballot, he may present petition. his petition to that or any other lodge in three months

^{*}Con., Art. ix. †Reg. 62, 140. †Or white one. See Reg. 49.

Takes regular thereafter [Con. ix, 5], and the petition, when precourse.

sented, must take its regular course.—1888, 15.

54. If a profane is black balled, nothing can be done Black balling in aid of the party unless the black ball is withdrawn a profane.

Withdrawal of ball.

Constitution, by the brother who cast it.—1865, 58.

55. The law (Con., Art ix, 4), authorizing with-drawal of negative ballot on petition for initiation avails only in case of *one* such ballot. It does not apply when there are more than one rejecting ballot.—1889, 19.

56. In case one black ball appears the second time, One black ball, on a petition for initiation, and it is not withdrawn by the When withdr'n. second stated meeting thereafter, the candidate can not again petition for one year.—1878; Reg. 784.

No exceptions.

57. The member opposing a petition for initiation can not withdraw his ballot later than the second stated meeting after he cast it (Con. ix, 4). A mistake as to the identity of the petitioner can not change the force of this plain legal restriction.—1859, 19.

Withdrawal by letter. 58. Can a negative ballot on a petition for initiation, there being but one, be withdrawn by letter? The Constitution requires the ballot to be withdrawn in open lodge,* and, except in rare instances, when great injustice would otherwise be done, the member who cast the ballot should, in person, withdraw it. If, however, the Master, to the exclusion of a reasonable doubt, believes the letter to be genuine, and if the right to withdraw it would otherwise lapse, and wrong and injustice be thereby done a worthy and deserving candidate, may, in the exercise of sound discretion, permit the negative ballot to be withdrawn by letter; but the letter must invariably be read in open lodge.—1890, 15.

When ballot examination, may be balloted for within the lunar taken.
When degree month, but can not receive the degrees until the full time prescribed by the Constitution has elapsed.—1870, 82.

^{*}It is difficult to see how a plain provision of the Constitution can be violated with impunity, and the hazard in doing so suggests extreme caution if attempted at all.

- 60. Remarks to a limited extent, in proper terms, Remarks before, none after
 before balloting on a candidate, are admissible, but unballot.
 masonic after the ballot is announced.—1871, 17.
- 61. The record must show that the action of the What record lodge, in case of suspension, was in accordance with Masonic usage, and taken by ballot.—1874, 56.
- 62. The ballot can alone determine whether the ap- Vote must be plicant shall or shall not be admitted to membership in the lodge. The Grand Lodge laws forbid the motive Motives secret. or reason for a ballot to be investigated.—1891, 62. Reg. 49.

No penalty without a ballot. Reg. 768.

Penalty.

- 63: The action of a lodge electing an applicant to Rescinding baltake the E. A. degree can be rescinded* at any time before the conference of the degree by a vote of the lodge, upon the discovery of evidence showing the applicant to be unworthy.— 1892, 9. Reg. 64.
- 64. To reconsider* a ballot is irregular, and a lodge Reconsidering has no such power. The object to arrest the initiation ballot. of a petitioner can be obtained by any objecting brother at any time before initiation.—1864, 59.
- 65. Suspension must be by ballot.—1874, 56.

 Suspend or Depriving of any right is by ballot.—Reg. 768, is by ballot.

 968.

BANKRUPT LAW .- See Reg. 723.

BENEFITS.

66. The incorporation of a benefit system in Masonic Benefit system by-laws is antagonistic to the principles and spirit of Masonry.—1877.

67. The so-called "benefit system" forms an essential feature in various societies more or less imitating Free-masonry. That a sick brother be paid so much a week during his disability, whether he needs it or not; and that a funeral fee shall be paid to the family of a departed brother, whether the family need it or not, may

^{*}To rescind is to cut off; to abrogate; to annul; and is entirely different from reconsider, which is to again consider the matter. To reconsider, one must have voted with the majority (By-law 24, p. 40), which would disclose his vote—Reg. 49; hence violate law and subject to penalty.

all be good law for life and health assurance societies, but is certainly not Masonic law, and is disapprobated by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.—1877, 15, 63.

M... confers 68. Masonry confers benefits and ought to exact oband exacts. ligations.—1892, 9.

69. In order to transmit the benefits of the Home to How transm'td. wife and child, the individual must faithfully discharge Faithful to all his Masonic obligations even unto death.—1892, 11; death. see also Reg. 653.

BLASPHEMY .- Reg. 714.

BONDS, OFFICIAL.

70. It shall be the duty of the Grand Master, upon Grand Lodge assuming the duties of his office, to require of the bonded officers of the Grand Lodge a new bond, which shall be filed with the bonds taken for the preceding years.—1886, 67.

71. Whether a Master may require a Treasurer of Lodge Treas- his lodge to give bond or not depends upon the by-laws of that lodge.—1887, 14.

72. A lodge whose by-laws do not require execution of bond by its Treasurer can not, by resolution, demand such bond. For failure to execute a bond, so ordered, the lodge can not declare the office vacant, and select or appoint another Treasurer. A lodge may, during the Treasurer's office, so amend the by-laws as to require a bond from the Treasurer, and it would then be his duty to execute the bond.—1891, 61.

BOOKS.

73. The use of improper and unauthorized books is Improper books pernicious in its influence; and the purity of Masonry can only be maintained by a strict adherence to the Penalty for ancient teachings of the Order. The use of such books by lodges within this jurisdiction will be regarded a high offense; and any lodge or member thereof so offending will be proceeded against by this Grand Lodge, and

have its charter arrested or the brother expelled for so doing.—1865, 73., See Reg. 892.

BROTHER—See Aid, Inquiry, Member.

BROTHERLY LOVE -- See Masonry.

BURIAL.

- 74. The burial service of the dead is a part of the labor of the lodge; therefore it is improper to call from "labor to refreshment" when the lodge leaves its hall to follow the remains of a deceased brother to their last resting place.— 1876, 19.
- 75. The burial of the dead is Masonic work, to be attended to while the lodge is open, but it is never Charter not claimed that in order to Masonically inter a brother it is necessary to carry the lodge charter from the place of assembling to the grave.—1891, 60.
- 76. A Masonic burial is not a distinct ceremony, and ceremony, and distinct disconnected from other ceremonies of the Order; on the contrary, it is the completion of the Third degree. It is the type of which the lodge ceremonial is the ante-But a type. type. The procession, the hymn, the prayer, the posi-Esoteric part. tion at the grave, the casting in of evergreen, the grand honors—all these, though seemingly esoteric, can be understood, as to their essential nature, by Master Masons alone.—1877, 65.
- 77. Masonic dead are to be buried Masonically. When Right to burial. our lines are formed about the grave none can be admit- Who admitted. ted within them save the fraternity, the clergy and the mourners.—1877, 16; 1878, 47.
- 78. In all interments with the formalities of Masonry wholly under the whole ceremonies should be under the general direc-Master's contion of the Master of the lodge, and not under that of an officer of any "higher degree" in Masonry.—1873, 53; Reg. 80.
- 79. The Masonic burial service is not completed until when comthe grave is filled up; they should therefore be the last performed.—1888, 18, 19.

80. The burial service is concluded when the grave No post burial is filled. After the burial of the body it is too late to call upon the Masons to perform any burial service. 1891, 56.

Precedence.

81. Masons, because of the antiquity and dignity of the Order, should claim precedence over other societies when they participate in the funeral ceremonies. such cases it is best to have some amicable understanding. If that can not be had the family of the deceased should be requested to select between the orders; and if the preference is for some other order then the brethren should attend only as friends, not as Masons. ought not to abridge their ceremonies or yield precedence in any way.—1888, 18, 19. Reg. 77.

No abridgm't.

82. When other Orders, not Masonic, have exclusive Mixed ceremo- charge of the body, and are to perform the funeral ceremonies in the burial of a Master Mason, who was also a member of such other Orders, Master Masons should not attend the burial except as citizens and Exclusive ch'ge friends. But when such other Order or Orders have not the exclusive charge the Masons, as an Order, may

also officiate, provided they have precedence by occu-Post of honor. pying the post of honor in the rear. 1873, 53.

83. Masonic law recognizes but one right to demand Right to de- Masonic burial, and that is, that the Mason should be in good standing in his lodge; and if he is in good standing at the time of his death, there is no power to prevent him from receiving the honors of Masonic burial. -1876, 64.

84. An unaffiliated Master Mason in good standing may have Masonic sepulture, provided a lodge within whose jurisdiction he dies, or may be buried, is willing to perform the solemn rites over his remains.— 1873, 53.

85. A non-affiliated Mason is not entitled to Masonic Not entitled to, burial. There is no law against a lodge performing but discretionathe service for the dead over such a brother if it so elects.— 1876.

86. Masonic burial of non-affiliates can not be de-

Unaffiliated,

manded as a right, but may be accorded as a favor.—
1877, 15.

- 87. A lodge has the right to bury a non-affiliated Mason if it elects to do so.—1878.
- 88. The Master is correct in ruling out a resolution Not duty to declaring it the duty of a lodge to bury non-affiliates, ted, etc. and inviting non-affiliates to assist in the service.—
 1891, 100.
- 89. Where there has been a regular suspension of a Lawfully susbrother for non-payment of dues, after he has been duly notified of the amount of his indebtedness and cited to appear before his lodge, and given an opportunity to make his defense, he is not entitled to Masonic burial should he die whilst laboring under sentence of suspension.—1873, 64.
- 90. A brother who stands suspended for the non-Payment after payment of dues at the time of his death is not entitled right. to Masonic burial.—1876.
- 91. The friends of a brother who died under suspension for non-payment of dues can not, by paying his dues, entitle him to Masonic burial.— 1877. Reg. 328.

E. A.'s and F. C.'s not entitled to. Reg. 388.

E. A. and F. C.

BURIAL LOT. See Masonic Burial Lot.

92. Committee authorized to put up head-stones to Grave stones. mark the graves of those now buried there, and for those who may hereafter be interred in the Grand Lodge burial lot in Cave Hill Cemetery.— 1888, 54.

Inmates of the Home may be buried in Grand Lodge lot.—Reg. 588.

BY-LAWS.

- 93. It is not necessary for a lodge to have its by-laws Printing unnecprinted to make them binding.—1878.
- 94. New by-laws, when lawfully adopted by a sub- Take effect at ordinate lodge, may go into effect immediately.—
 1871, 17.

- 95. No subordinate lodge can make by-laws which Must conform do not accord with the Constitution of the Grand to Constitution. Lodge.—1877, 14.
- 96. An amendment to the Constitution of the Grand Annulled by the Lodge of itself annuls any contravening by-laws of a subordinate lodge.—1877, 14.
- 97. A Master of a lodge can not declare a by-law or when declared set of by-laws null and void, unless they are in violation of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge or Landmarks of Masonry.—1878.
- 98. Illegally adopted by-laws should be declared void.

 Illegal declared [See Master.]—1887, 14.
- 99. When the by-laws fix a time for appointing the M. can't set Finance Committee, the Master can not set aside said by-law, and appoint the committee at a time other than that fixed by the by-laws.—1878.
- Vested rights in or indirectly tends to deprive members of their privilife membership leges of life membership which were completely vested in them prior to the adoption of such an amendment.— 1881, 60.
- Lodge may that it does not infringe upon the Constitution.—1880, 41, 51.
- By a majority provision to the contrary on the subject) may be changed vote; when. by a majority vote.—1889, 17.
- Moneys used, Master or Finance Committee to appropriate certain moneys while at "Refreshment," is improper and misReported to the leading. The authority should be given to appropriate the money at any time and report to next meeting of lodge.—1888, 18.
- Can't limit ten- years a Master of a lodge may serve is unconstitutional. 1876, 20.
- Can not limit making the non-payment of dues previous to suspenright to vote or sion a disability for holding office or voting, are required

to adjust their by-laws so as to harmonize with the Con- To harmonize with Constit'n. stitution and this report.—1873, 59.

106. Each subordinate lodge should, by its by-laws, Stated meeting, specify the time for holding its stated meetings, by designating the day and week of the month, so that the members and others may know when the meetings are to be held; and time specified as "every other Satur-Definitely fixed. day" for holding the meeting is too indefinite.—1857, 56.

107. A lodge can amend its by-laws changing date Changeoftime of meeting; it is not necessary to ask permission of the Grand Lodge or Grand Master.—1878.

before the lodge for one month, an amendment to the amendment then proposed need not take the course of the original, and be carried over for another month. If every "amendment to an amendment" carries the question forward a month before it can be acted on, it will open the way to endless procrastination, and defeat every effort of a lodge to amend its by-laws, however vicious.—1877, 14, 64.

109. When the by-laws are silent upon a point, a Majority suspend or expel.—1877.

CALLED MEETING.

110. No ballot at a called meeting.—Reg. 46.

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No ballot at a called meeting.

Reg. Charges at.

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112. Degrees may be conferred at a called meeting. Degrees at. — 1888, 17.

CALLED OFF.

113. A lodge can not "call off" from one day to an- Fromdaytoday other, but must be closed on the same day of its open- Close day op'nd ing.—1867, 58.

114. No lodge has a right to "call of" from one day Can't to another to another; but one meeting of a lodge can be held in One meeting a one day.—1879, 26.

115. A lodge may "call of" and permit the wives Installation and and daughters of Masons to witness the installation hanquet. of officers elect, and partake of banquet prepared.-1879, 26.

116. A lodge duly opened on any degree can call May call off and from labor to refreshment, and open in any other deopen in any deg. gree, but the lodge must be closed in each degree in Each deg. regularly closed. which it opens, regardless of what is done while at refreshment.—1893, 6.

CANDIDATE.+

117. It is better his arm should be out of fix than his The internal not external. heart.—189. 92.

118. A candidate for Masonry must be sound in body Body and mind and mind. He must possess no deformity which would Able to give interfere with his giving all Masonic signs and steps in signs, etc. ancient form. Nor can a brother who has been initiated and passed, but since that time has lost a limb, or Maimed. become maimed by any accident, be advanced. Physically able, must be physically qualified to receive the mysteries of the Order according to the ancient form, and in his turn instruct others.—1876.

119. A candidate must be physically able to give all with natural the signs, due-guards, etc., with his natural limbs.limbs. 1877, 14.

120. The Constitution says: "A candidate for initia-Constitutional tion must possess no deformity which would prevent qualifications. him from being perfectly instructed in the art and mystery of Freemasonry, and in his turn instructing others, according to the ancient landmarks." That is, he Construed. must not only be able to be partially instructed, but fully and perfectly so; and, in addition, he must be able perfectly to instruct others. In other words, a mere maim or partial defect in body shall not incapacitate a candidate. The mutilation must render him wholly in-Mutilation. capable of receiving and imparting all the instruction

^{*}I take it that this is not technically to "call off," but merely dispensing with regular tyling so that profanes may be present, because the lodge is at work, fully clothed, with the officers in their stations, more so, if possible, than when at a funeral.—Reg. 74, 75. †Con., Art. viii.

requisite. Hence, one that has lost an arm, a leg, a foot, a hand, or the fingers or thumb of the right hand, or who is totally blind, deaf or dumb, or who has been wholly deprived of the faculty of feeling, can not be initiated.—1865, 71.

deformity or impaired sense "which would prevent him from being perfectly instructed in the art and mystery of Freemasonry, and, in his turn, instructing others, according to the ancient landmarks" (Con. viii, 4), he should not be initiated. But, whether or not such de
lodge the sole fect exists, the lodge is the sole judge. 1889, 20.

years of age at the time when he is initiated, not necessarily at the time of signing the petition, but should When petitionstate in the petition the date at which he will reach his Stated in petition.

Stated in petition.

123. While it is necessary that a petition should state the age of the petitioner, if for initiation, there is no law requiring him to be twenty-one years old. He must, of course, have reached that age before being in-Twenty-one beitiated, and if under that age it might be well for the petition to allege that he will have reached his legal majority before the meeting at which he is to be initiated, else the report of the committee should show that fact. —1890, 12.

124. Old age is not a bar to Masonry. A man is eli- old age no bar. gible to lodge membership as long as he is in possession of his physical and intellectual faculties, of which the Lodge the judge lodge must be the judge.—1892, 10. Reg. 127.

125. The Entered Apprentice degree can not be con- Metal truss. ferred on one who wears a metal truss, unless he can temporarily dispense with it. The lodge determines Preparation. whether he is duly and truly prepared.—1891, 52.

126. While a candidate must be physically able to give all the signs, due-guards, etc., yet it is the internal The internal not and not the external qualifications of a man that Masonry regards. Held, near-sightedness does not exclude Short-sighted. from memberihip.—1879, 27.

Deformities. The lodge must be the judge as to whether the candidate is afflicted with such (viii, 4) deformity or not. If he is he can not be initiated.—1879, 75. Reg. 124.

Belief in God tenet in Freemasonry. It is an indispensable pre-requisite to eligibility to take the degrees. If the candidate practiced false pretense in obtaining admission to the by renouncing such faith, or, if subsuch faith, or initiation, his mind, for any cause, has change of belief, etc., an offense.

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Denying essenbe expelled. Denying the main essential to a genuine Masonic life he should be denied Masonic privileges.—

1889, 20.

Master confers degree upon a candidate elected to receive the same until such time as he thinks proper.—1876, 20.

Lapse of time. to appear and be initiated. After ten years he asks to have the degree conferred on him. Held—Let the applicant present a new petition, and, if he is elected, give him the E. A. degree without repaying the fee.—
1892, S.

Master may redegrees upon a candidate, even after he has been elected to receive them, for reasons by him deemed sufficient.—
1878, 6.

132. A candidate [for passing or raising] must be Examination in examined in open lodge [as to his proficiency in the preceding degree].—1866, 41; 1867, 58.

At called meet- amined at a called meeting, but can only be balloted for ing, ballot at a stated meeting of the lodge.—1888, 15. Reg. 45.

Examined and and balloted for [on his proficiency and on advancement, ballot. (two ballots),—Reg. 48,] before, but can not receive A month between degrees. 1870, 84.

135. A candidate for advancement or membership, Effect of rewho is rejected on the second ballot by one black ball, can not petition again in a less time than three months, unless the objecting member voluntarily withdraws his objection, in open lodge, by the second meeting thereafter.—1878.

136. A candidate for initiation, black-balled on two ballots, must wait a year before his petition can be again presented, "unless, by the second stated meeting thereafter, the member opposing shall voluntarily withdraw Withdrawal his objection in open lodge." [Con. ix, 4.] If the petition be again presented it must take its regular course.--1888, 16, 17. Reg. 58.

137. A candidate has the right to refuse to proceed Refus'l to prowith the work and withdraw, but he has no right to dictate the manner in which the work shall be done, or No dictation. the verbiage of any part thereof.—1878, 6.

138. One subordinate lodge may confer the degrees Degrees by upon the member of another lodge in the same jurisdiction by request of the latter lodge. The candidate Butballot'd for. must, however, be balloted for in the lodge to which he belongs, and his qualifications certified to under seal of Certified to. the lodge.—1873, 12. (For subsequent amendment, see Con. viii, 8.)

130. Although a candidate may have been duly Effect of obelected by ballot [for initiation, passing or raising], yet, when objection is made, it prevents his admission, and he has no right to demand an investigation of the No inquiry into. grounds of objection.-1871, 84.

140. A candidate for the Second or Third degree can Rejection no ground for not require charges to be preferred against him in case ground of rejection, and force the objecting brother to give reasons for so objecting.* The ballot in each succeding Ballots sacred. degree is as sacred as in the first, and no one has a right to question the motives of any brother in casting his The candidate [for passing or raising] so re- Rejected may jected has the right to demit, if clear of the books, and demit. no charges stand against him.—1878, 6.

^{*}Reg. 51.

Number at a that might be initiated or advanced at one time was repealed, and "the provisions of the Ancient Constitutions [must] be observed governing this matter."*—
1869, 103.

142. No more than five candidates can receive a degree at the same meeting by the Ancient Constitution.*

1888, 17. Reg. 491.

CERNEAU RITE.†

Irregular, illegal, unmasonic. and ought not to be countenanced or recognized in any manner by brethren under the obedience of this Grand Lodge."—1888, 12.

Clandestine. Rite of Scottish Masonry illegitimate, irregular and Question set-clandestine. The Grand Lodge has thus settled the question as to the status of that rite. The body so declared by the Grand Lodge to be clandestine is clandestine, whenever and wherever found.—1891, 62. It is res adjudicata.‡—1891, 112.

Power of Gr. L. Grand Lodge may declare who and what are legitimate.—Reg. 418.

CHAPTER.

Notice of suspension. 145. Secretary of lodge is required to give notice of suspension, etc.—Reg. 916.

Under seal; all lodge a certificate, under seal of the lodge, showing the date and fact of reinstatement of a brother who without lodge had been suspended for non-payment of dues. This he can do without being ordered by the lodge, and

^{*}What may be considered as the "Ancient Constitutions" referred to are: The Revised Code of England, 1827: "No lodge shall, on any pretense, make more than fre new brothers in one day unless by dispensation. Nor shall a lodge be permitted to give more than one degree to a brother on the same day. Nor shall a higher degree in Masonry be conferred on any brother at less interval than one month from his receiving a previous degree, nor until he shall have passed an examination in open lodge in that degree." So the limit of five refers to iniation not advancement. †Less than three years ago the Cerneau bodies came into our State and began to establish its consistories.—1889, 25.
‡Substantially a thing already settled.

although the suspension and reinstatement occurred before he went into office.—1889, 20.

CHARGES.

- 147. Charges for unmasonic conduct, or violation of Mustbe writt'n, Masonic law, must, in every case, be in writing.—
 1890, 14.
- 148. There must be charges as well as specifica-with specifications, copies of which must be served on the accused.

 -1871, 42. Code 14.
- 149. Some brother or Mason must prefer charges Duly signed. duly signed, giving in the specification time, place, etc., Specifications with sufficient certainty to enable the accused to know the nature of the offense charged against him and to make his defense.—1873, 47. Code 17.
- 150. Charges must cover an offense against Masonry. Cover offense. 1872, 73. See "Offense." Code 16.
- 151. There is no limit to the time when charges No time limit. would be barred, or when charges could not be preferred against a Mason, who has, at any time, committed an offense against Masonry.—1876.
- 152. It is not only the right but the duty of an affili-who prefers. Duty of memb'r. ated Mason to prefer charges if he knows of the wrong doing of a brother.—1877, 14.
- 153. Any Master Mason in good standing can prefer Any M.M. may, charges against an offender, whether he be a member of the same lodge or not.—1878, 5.
- 154. It is not necessary that the accuser should be a though not a member of the lodge before which the charges are presented. Any affiliated Mason may prefer charges Must be affilagainst any brother in the jurisdiction of any lodge, in Against other writing, through the Junior Warden.—1877, 64.
- 155. It is not an "emergency" for a Master to con-Not at called vene his lodge for the purpose of preferring charges against an offending brother.—1877.
- 156. Vote must be put to lodge whether charges [are Vote on charge. such as] shall be presented against a brother or not.—
 1879, 28; also Reg. 157.

- J. W. acts in- opinion, or the Master's, in determining whether a case dependently.

 Lodge determines action.

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 Sent charges the lodge must determine whether they should be investigated.—1877, 16.
- Must be dis- den* must be disposed of by the lodge itself.—1879, 27.

 159. Accused must be served with a copy of the Copy of charge, charges and notice of the time and place of taking proof and time of trial.—1880, 42; 1882, 60.
- 160. When [proper] charges are preferred the Constitution requires that an Investigating Committee shall For and against be appointed to take testimony for and against the accused, and that the case shall be tried.—1878, 43.
- Submitted to committee appointed to take proof, and a copy of the lodge, served, proof. charges served upon the accused.—1880, 43.
- Complainant's at the trial, and interrogate the witness, in connection duty.

 Failure no bar. with the Junior Warden; but his failure to do so does not invalidate the trial.—1877, 14.
- Amending the amend the charges, because of alleged omission to precharges.

 Sent them before trial took place.—1871, 17.
- Voters' qualifi- Mason need not possess the qualifications of jurors in courts of law.—1877, 16.

CHARITY.—See Aid, Assessment, Impostors, Masonry.

CHARTER.

- When Gr. Mas- ters only in case of the consolidation of lodges.—1890, ter issues.
- 166. Last charter granted by the Grand Lodge is the Last ch'tr legal. legal charter. If lost charter be found it is null and

^{*}Or other brother. If a brother may prefer charges, it follows that the lodge must dispose of them in a proper way.

void, the last one granted superseding all others. 1879, 26.

- 167. All work done in the absence of the charter is Absence of th'r. illegal.—1879, 26; Reg. 169. Exception.—Reg. 75.
- 168. If the charter is in the Tyler's, preparation or Practical presante-room, in the same building, it would be present for all practical purposes.—1891, 60; Reg. 170.
- of its charter. Upon him is laid the responsibility of its care, and to him the Grand Lodge looks for its preservation. As a lodge can not be opened in the absence of its charter, it is the duty of its Master to always have that instrument in the lodge-room at all meetings of his lodge; and for failure to perform this duty he would be form.

 Failure to perform.

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- 170. A lodge can not work without a charter. If No work withthe charter should be lost or destroyed the regular business of the lodge must stop until the loss shall be supplied, but the Master must not necessarily have the
 charter in his pocket, nor must it hang in any particular place in the lodge-room, nor must it be actually present in the lodge-room itself in order to authorize the
 lodge to work or transact any regular business. It
 must be so far present as that the Master may know
 that it exists, and where it is, and be able to at once
 produce it if legally called for, or required to sustain
 the regularity, and power to work, of the lodge.—
 1891, 60; Reg. 168.
- 171. The Grand Master has the power to [tempora-Arrest of cht'r. rily. Reg. 173.] arrest the charter of any subordinate lodge in his jurisdiction when he is convinced that the good of Masonry demands it.—1878. Of defunct lodges Defunct lodge.—1885, 64.
- 172. A charter can only be revoked by the Grand Revocation. Lodge granting it.—1878, 5.
- 173. A subordinate lodge can only be deprived of its Cite before recharter after being cited by the Grand Lodge to "show"

Trial before cause why it should not be done;" nor can a Master Mason be deprived of his rights as such except by due trial and conviction.—1879, 27. Also Reg. 182.

Effects in view erwise dispose of its effects when it has in view the surof losing chart'r
render of its charter, or believes that its charter will be
arrested.—1878, 5.

Remission re- Lodge for non-payment of dues; subsequently, and at the same session, the dues were remitted. Held, that thereby the Grand Lodge overruled its former action and restored the charter.—1890, 12.

176. The charter of a lodge was forfeited in 1867; a Forfeiture de new charter was granted in 1868. The forfeiture of the charter in 1867 terminated the existence of the lodge.

New, does not The existence was not restored by the charter granted in 1868, but a new and different lodge was thereby con-

Defunct lodge stituted. The new lodge has no right to grant a demit to a member of the defunt lodge under the forfeited

Who grants. Charter. But the Grand Secretary is the only person authorized to grant the demit.—1889, 18.

Dispensation in dered or revoked, though the lodge be working U. D., lieu of charter is a chartered lodge.—1885, 17. [See Lodges.]

New, in lieu of and a new one granted naming the officers then governed charter.

Continues lodge was, to all intents and purposes, the same as under the old. It had not ceased to exist, only the convenient, tangible evidence of its authority to work was, for a time, wanting. This authority the new charter restored of over.

Officers hold and no other formality is required. The officers need not be reinstalled.—1889, 20. See Reg. 739.

Consolidated are required to change their charter for a new one. No fee is payable to the Grand Lodge for a new charter, but the Grand Secretary is entitled to his fee as in other cases, since he renders the same service.—1887, 10.

CITE.

- 180. "Cite" means authoritative notice and is synony- Synonym. mous with "Summons."—1877, 15.
- 181. A brother must be cited to appear before the Cite to suspend. lodge and afforded an opportunity to show why he should not be suspended [for non-payment of dues], to which he is certainly entitled as a right.—1867, 58.
- 182. Failure to cite a lodge to show cause why its failure to cite charter should not be arrested is a fatal defect in the proceedings, and renders the act void.—1890, 15. Also Reg. 173.

CLANDESTINE MASONS.—Reg. 143, '4, 938.

CLOSING.

183. A lodge opened, and at work in the Third declosed. But can not call off the Fellow Craft Lodge and close both Second and third degrees in a Master's Lodge.—1889, 20. But not in Third degree.

CLOTHING.—Sec Reg. 845.

CODE.—See Digest.

[The Code is that part of this volume which treats of laws of evidence and forms for Masonic trials.]

COMMITTEES.

- 184. Non-affiliates are not eligible to office or ap- Unaffiliate inpointment on committees.— 892, 11; Con. iv, 4.
- 185. Committees are appointed for a special purpose, Duties. namely, to examine carefully into all matters referred to them, and after this careful scrutiny to report them, with their conclusions, for action.—1886, 38.
- 186. A brother who has prejudged the case should Prejudice disnot be on the committee [to take evidence]. 1871, 17.
- 187. The committee should be appointed at the time When appoint, the charges are filed; but if the Mason against whom the charges are preferred has absconded, so that notice Accused absconding stops of the charges and specifications can not be served action

upon him, no proof should be taken until after the expiration of three months, when he is then constructively served with notice of the charges and specifications.—1871, 73.

Evidence taken. Takes evidence for and against accused—Reg. 160, '61.

In rumor cases: brother are in circulation, it is the duty of his lodge to investigate them whether the brother requests an in-Rights of broth-vestigation or not. A petition of a brother to have charges injurious to his character investigated by lodge Duty of com'tee should most certainly be granted, and the committee should, in justice to him, make a thorough investigation and report to the lodge.—1866, 31, 32.

Report on peti- the worthiness or unworthiness of a candidate, the lodge has no right to compel it to say in what way it came to its conclusion. The report is simply the opinion of the committee.—1877, 16.

Recommenders 190. Recommenders on petitions should not be put upon the committee of investigation.—1866, 44.

Agreeing, who meeting and agreed upon a report, the member present may make the report in the absence of the other two.

Vacancies filled If it has taken no action, and at a meeting two months

after their appointment two of the members are absent, the Master may treat their places as vacant and appoint Motion unnectothers. The same result may be reached by a motion, but it is held that the Master may appoint without a motion.—1887, 10.

Investigate before report.

But the new committee, when appointed unfore report.

Should not be permitted to report at the same meeting, but should be required to investigate and report at
the next monthly meeting just as the original committee should have done.—1887, 51.

Majority is the described not inaccurately as the report of the committee.

Minority report tee, but if there is a minority report the fact that it was

made should, in all cases, appear upon the record.—1887, 10.

- 194. Committee on Charity (or Secretary) to notify Charity com'tee Grand Secretary concerning impostors.—See Reg. 486.
- 195. A committee to whom a petition for affiliation Scope of duty on petition. scope of duty on petition. scope of duty on petition. moral character and fitness of the applicant, but also the authenticity of his demit; or, in its absence, the cause thereof.—1885, 17.

COMMITTEE ON TRIAL.—Reg. 992.

COMMITTEES OF GRAND LODGE.

196. The Grand Lodge has a right to pay members Right to pay. who serve on its committees and who receive no pay in any other capacity, such compensation as it may deem just. This is not technically "mileage and per diem," Mileage and per but as the intention is clear to pay a sum equal to the mileage and per diem of representatives, the grant is not vitiated by the slight inaccuracy of its terms.—
1887, 9; iv, 11.

197. Under the Constitution of this Grand Lodge Jurisdiction, on (vi, 1, par. 2) the jurisdiction of this (the Grievance, Appeals. now Appeals) committee is limited to "appeals from the decisions of subordinate lodges, or the Masters thereof, and all questions in controversy between lodge and lodge."—1884, 35.

198. The Grand Master is authorized to appoint the Finance, when Finance Committee at the close of each session of the Grand Lodge, and that said Finance Committee is instructed to report in the Grand Secretary's office on the Meeting of. Monday preceding the opening of the Grand Lodge in the discharge of the duties that may be brought before it. – 1884, 62.

199. The Grand Secretary and Assistant are a per- On compiling manent committee to compile and suitably arrange all the additions and amendments made to the Code by To Code.

Grand Lodge since its publication; and that they be

Rep't published published every year in the proceedings of Grand Lodge.—1885, 62.

200. That a committee of three be appointed, to be known as the Library Committee of the Grand Lodge On Library: of Kentucky, whose duty shall be to examine and ar-Duty. range such matters as may be found in the archives of the Grand Lodge, and by exchange, purchase or donation, add thereto from time to time, as we may be able to spare the means, and take such other steps as may be required or necessary to collect a library worthy of the oldest Grand Lodge in the Mississippi Valley, and the first Grand Lodge organized in the Nineteenth Century.—1882, 62.

201. That the Library Committee be required to Annual reports. make an annual statement of the finances connected with the library, and the condition of the said library. -1882, 62.

CONCEALED WEAPONS.—See Weapons.

CONSTITUTION.

202. The Constitution has been adopted as the fun-Fundamental damental law, and as such should be studied, fully unlaw to study and derstood and strictly obeyed .- 1870, 22.

203. The fact that an amendment to the Constitu-Amendment tion was offered can not prevent the Grand Lodge from proposed declaring that "the same be the law for the government of the Grand Lodge and its subordinates until it is adopted as part of the fundamental law," therefore May be law un-said amendment is law; not, however, as an amend-til annulled.

ment to the Constitution, but as an Edict or Regulation, and by it we are bound until it shall be repealed or abrogated by the law-making power. - 1889, 26.

CORNER-STONE.

204. A subordinate lodge should not accept an invitation to lay a corner-stone. The power to lay corner-Power to lay. Halls dedicated stones and dedicate halls rests in the Grand Master, as executive officer of the Grand Lodge, and can only be exercised by him in person or through his proxy.—1888, 18.

205. If the corner-stone of a church is to be laid by Church. Masons, those having the matter in hand should request Invite Gr. M. the Grand Master to lay it. Unless the corner-stone be laid with Masonic ceremonies a Masonic lodge should L'dge attend'ce not attend as a Masonic body or in Masonic clothing.—
1891, 62.

CORRESPONDENCE.

206. Secretaries should read all official communications from the Grand Secretary in open lodge, promptly responding thereto, always giving name, number [and postoffice] of their lodge.—1891, 89.

207. Letters to Grand Master (and Grand Secretary) Under seal. under lodge seal, giving name of lodge, postoffice, Necessary concounty; for what purpose money is sent, etc., Grand Secretary's letters should be promptly answered.—Reg. Reply. 230, 450, 464, 539.

COUNSEL. - See Accused, Agent.

208. Has a lodge the right, as a lodge, to employ Employment counsel to prosecute in the courts a man for killing one of its members? It has not. Each member, in his individual capacity, has the right to assist by his means, or otherwise, in the prosecution, but no right to vote the lodge funds for such a purpose and involve the lodge in complications with the law.—1893, 7.

COURT. See Law Suit.

There is no higher court in Masonry than the Grand The highest. Lodge.—Reg. 609.

209. It has never been the disposition of this Grand Effect of civil Lodge to permit civil actions to disturb the harmony of its subordinates unless intent to defraud was clearly proven.—1893, 56.

210. The action of the civil courts has, and can have no effect on the standing of a Mason in his lodge. If On standing a brother is charged with being guilty of conduct un-

Lodge's duty, becoming a Mason, it is the duty of his lodge to disregarding arraign him, disregarding the action of the civil authorities. - 1890, 13.

Acquittal or acquittal of the charge, does not bar the lodge from trial, nor does conviction require trial by lodge unless the good of the Craft demands it.—1893, 6, 7.

The lodge is the court to pass judgment.—Reg. 509.

When resort Recourse to civil courts when.—Reg. 616, 619. Collecting money by suit.—Reg. 942.

CRAFT

Meaning of the I, of the Constitution, refers alone to those who have taken the Blue Lodge degrees.—1889, 27.

CREED.—Reg. 405; Landmarks 8, 9.

CUSTODIANS OF THE WORK.—See Grand Lecturer. Work and Lectures.

Who compose iams, Jas. W. Hopper, J. Soule Smith, E. B. Jones and H. B. Grant], and their successors, shall be known as "The College of Custodians of the Work," provided that in 1893 the personnel of the college may be changed at the discretion of the Grand Lodge; but, to insure uniformity, after that the members shall hold their positions during good behavior. A College of Custodians, changeable at short intervals, would be nearly worthless.—1892, 14, 42.

Vacancies in the College of Custodians shall be Filled by nomination of the Grand Master and election by the College.—1892, 14, 42,

Duties, rules, by-laws, and keep a record of its proceedings and acts, which shall be open to the inspection of the Grand Master or any committee appointed by the Grand Lodge for that purpose.—1892, 14, 42.

Meetings. 216. The College shall meet annually after the Grand

Lodge closes, and ought to meet near the festivals of the Saints John .- 1892, 14, 42.

217. The College of Custodians may appoint lectur- Appointees. ers to lecture individual brethren and lodges when re- Lecturers. quested, with or without compensation, as may be agreed upon between the parties.-1892, 15, 42.

DEACONS.

- 218. The Senior Deacon has charge of the door of Charge of door. the preparation room.—1878, 5.
- 219. It is not lawful to appoint the Deacons on any When appointother than the day fixed by the Grand Lodge for elec-ed. tions.—1885, 17. Exceptions: Reg. 221, 502.
- 220. The Master, after his installation,* should ap- By whom. point the Deacons; and after the installation of all the other officers elected the Deacons should be charged.* When charged. All this should be done on the day fixed for the election.—1885, 17.
- 221. The provisions of the Codet [appointment of Time to appoint Deacons on the day of election] are not mandatory but directory; that the word "should" has the meaning of "ought," and the idea to be conveyed is that, when practicable, the election and installation of the officers of a subordinate lodge should occur at the same meeting and on December 27th .- 1890, 17.
- 222. When installed one of the Master's functions is Mast'r appoints to appoint the Deacons.—1890, 18.
- 223. The Master only has power to appoint the Dea- s. w. does not. The Senior Warden can only appoint the Junior Deacon by consent of the Master.—1888, 18.

DEAD .- See Burial.

224. Masons should either be silent about the dead or Speak truth or tell the truth. If a deceased brother has left nothing which we can praise let us put our hands upon our mouths and consign him silently to the dust. - 1877, 66.

^{*}Observe: Elected officers are "installed;" appointed officers are "charged." †This evidently refers to Regulations 219, 220. Nothing in "Code" about it.

DEBTS.

225. Simple inability to pay debts owing to Masons Not an offense, is not an offense; but a failure to pay when the debtor Exceptions. could do so without detriment to himself or family, would be presumed to be with intent to defraud, and therefore an offense.—1872, 72.

DECISIONS .- See Digest, Grand Master, Letters.

Binding on all. are binding upon all subordinate lodges and officers in this jurisdiction.—1884, 36.

Condensed. 227. Decisions codified may be condensed with safety. - 1891, 46.

Only on real questions that actually arise in the subordinate lodges—nothing upon mere hypothesis.—1892, 8.

Letters asking, 229. Letters asking Grand Master's decisions should be under seal. - Reg. 450.

Over seal. The Grand Master's decision should not be asked in writing except over the seal of the lodge, or with some certificate, with the seal attached, proving the questioner to be a Mason.—1888, 16.

Committee on. 231. Grand Secretary and Assistant a committee to compile.—Reg. 199. [Which refer only to the Code!]

DEDICATE.

Rented halls. 232. It is not right or advisable to dedicate a rented hall to Masonic purposes.—1878. Also Reg. 204 '5.

DEFUNCT LODGES.—See Lodges Defunct.

DEGREES.

One month be and the Grand Master is not authorized to dispense with that plain, positive requirement of the Constitution.—
1871, 17.

None out of 234. The Constitution forbids conferring degrees out time. of time, and the Grand Master has promised to abide

by its provisions. He can not grant a dispensation for this purpose. - 1886, 21; 1889, 18.

- 235. The Grand Master has no power to grant dis- No power to pensations for the conferring of degrees out of time.

 One lunar month must in all cases intervene between degrees.—1876, 20.
- 236. Our Constitution (viii, 2) provides: "Nor shall The law, any degree be conferred in less than one lunar month after the previous degree has been conferred on the same person." The Grand Master has plighted adherence to that instrument, and will not grant a dispensation to Gr. M. to obey it confer any degree in contravention thereof. 1889, 18.
- 237. Conferring the Third degree at any time prior Irregular work. to the expiration of twenty-eight days next after conferring the Fellow Craft degree would be irregular and unconstitutional. 1891, 54.
- 238. Should any subordinate lodge confer any of the Out of time, degrees of Masonry out of time, and in violation of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, the charter of said Penalty. lodge shall be arrested by the Grand Master.—1868, 68.
- 239. Grand Lodge authorized certain sections of cer-Number of cantain degrees to be conferred on more than one candidates.

 date at a time. This was amended.—Reg. 141, 142.
- 240. Degrees pronounced legitimate, illegitimate and Legitimate. spurious.—See Reg. 14, 15, 143, 144; xvi.

Degrees unrecognized or pronounced spurious.— Spurious. Reg. 143, 144, 398, 934.

- 241. A West Virginia lodge understood that in grant-In another State ing the request for permission to confer the degrees the brother lost membership in their lodge, and practically received a demit. Held—That a Kentucky lodge could receive the petition and elect him to membership.—
 1886, 24, 25.
- 242. The degrees may be conferred at a called meet- Atcalled meet'g ing.—1888, 17.
- 243. A degree conferred by a suspended Past Master By suspended was illegal, and the brother receiving it must be "healed" by his lodge. Charges of unmasonic conduct should Penalty. also be preferred in the lodge to which he had belonged

against the suspended Mason. He was guilty of gross unmasonic conduct in entering a lodge and conferring a degree if he knew he was suspended at the time.-1888, 19.

In another l'dge

A member on receiving degree in another lodge.-Reg. 663.

DELEGATE.—See Representative.

DEMIT,* DEMITTED.

244. It is the action of the lodge which makes a What consti- brother a demitted Mason. The demit is but the writtutes a demit. ten statement of what the lodge has done.—1886, 26; 1890, 15; 1889, 19. Releases the brother from mem-Its effect. bership.—1888, 16; Reg. 258.

245. A demit severs the relation between the lodge and the demitted member absolutely. To become a Re-affiliation. member of the same lodge again he must petition and file his demit, the same as if he applied to any other lodge.—1891, 50.

246. Application for demit should be in writing, signed by the applicant, or made by the brother in open Application for demit. lodge; in either case noted of record.—1891, 50.

247. While every member, who is square on the books and free from charges, is entitled to a demit, the lodge has the right to prescribe the way in which the application must be made.—1877.

248. If issued contrary to the wishes of him the dis-Irregular grant- ruption of whose lodge affiliation it purports to evidence, the act is voidable; otherwise, that which is held to be right is converted into a wrong, and is made a Consent cures vehicle of punishment. Subsequent acquiescence on the part of him to whom the certificate was issued will amount to a ratification of the act; wherefore, should it

> "*Every brother ought to be a member of some lodge, nor is it proper that any number should withdraw or separate themselves from the lodge in which they were made or were afterwards admitted members without a sufficient cause. Although the right is an inherent one, and can never be restrained by any power whatever, still such separation would be improper unless the lodge became too numerous for working, in which case a sufficient number may withdraw, with the approbation of their lodge, in order to form a new one."—Masonic Const. adopted by Grand Lodge of Kentucky, second ed., p. 47, 1818. See Landmark 45.

Conditions.

defect.

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be his intention to avoid it, it will be his duty, without unnecessary delay, and before the commission of any act amounting to or implying a ratification, to disavow an intention of demitting, whereupon it will be the duty of the Master to make an order annulling the act and cancelling the certificate.—1890, 15.

Unless disaowed.

Annulling

249. No ballot is required upon an application for a Vote on. demit. The vote is taken *viva voce.*—1877; or as in Reg. 261.

250. A by-law requiring a unanimous vote for the demitting of a member is unconstitutional and unmasonic.—1872, 18.

251. A demit granted severs membership. The lodge Severs membership. has no authority to grant another demit, and, if it were Can't grant to do so, the action would be irregular and illegal [except as in 252].—1889, 18.

252. Since granting demit and issuing a certificate Burned record. thereof the records of the lodge have been destroyed by fire, and the certificate lost, so that there is no record of the facts. In such case, the lodge may hear evidence in Proof of act'n writing, showing the aforesaid action and loss of certificate, and may issue—under its seal—a duplicate certuplicate. tificate of demission.—1889, 19; Reg. 251.

253. The loss of demit may be established by evi- Loss proven. dence.—1890, 13.

By Grand Lodge proceedings.—Reg. 286, 876.

254. "Lodges will use their own discretion in the granting of demits, having reference to the character of a brother, and his account on the books." No other section of the Constitution bears upon the question, and upon the construction of this regulation, as the law, it depends. The "discretion" referred to must be a reasonable discretion; and whenever a brother pays his conditions met, dues and asks a demit it is the duty of the lodge to grant the lodge must grant. it, unless he is an officer of the lodge, or charges are pending against him, or about to be preferred.—1874, 46. See Reg. 263-265, 276.

certificate.

be made.

255. The right to demit pertains to Entered Appren-E. A. and F. tices and Fellow Crafts equally with Master Masons .-C.'s may. 1877.

256. An Entered Apprentice, who has been black-Tho' rejected, balled on his application for advancement, has the right to demit if no charges are pending or about to be pre-Conditions. ferred against him, provided, of course, that he has paid up his dues in full.—1888, 16.

257. The Grand Lodge of Wyoming seems to recog-When non- nize the right of an Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft should demit to to demit. If that be a true construction, an Entered get degree. Apprentice residing there, but a member of a lodge in this State, should take his demit and become a member of the lodge there. The lodge here ought not to ask the lodge there to confer the degrees for them as a courtesy and retain the brother on the rolls here .--1888, 17.

258. A lodge can not grant a demit conditionally. After a demit has been granted to a brother the with-Conditional, Withholding holding of the certificate, or written evidence of the lodge's action, does not make the demitted brother any What consti- the less a non-affiliated Mason. It is the action of the Applicati'n to lodge upon the application, and not the written evidence, that regulates his standing .- 1876; Reg. 277.

259. If clear of the books, no charges preferred and Withholding, lodge grants a demit, it is the duty of the Master to see that the order of the lodge is carried out, and not aid in withholding it, by reason of personal ill-will.-1879, 26.

260. The right to demit is an inherent right possessed Right inher- by every Mason, restricted only by refusal to meet peent. cuniary obligations to his lodge and pendency of But restrict'd. charges for unmasonic conduct, and being such can, of course, be exercised only by him who possesses it .--1890, 15.

261. The right to demit from his lodge is said to be Yet inherent an inherent right belonging to any Mason; the petitioner being clear of the books and no charges against him, and no objections are interposed, the Master should Objection.* instruct the Secretary to make the record and to issue Master's duty. the certificate.*-1876; Reg. 254, 275, 276.

262. If clear of the books, and no charges against Lodge's duty. a brother, the lodge is compelled to grant a demit, although unbecoming language be used; but the proper Improper thing to do would be to prefer charges against the brother and try him .- 1881, 21.

263. No lodge has a right to refuse a member a demit, in the exercise of its "discretion," where the member is clear of the books, unless charges are pending against him, or there is a probability that charges may be preferred against him in a reasonable length of time. 1872, 18; Reg. 254, 280-282.

264. Subordinate lodges are not privileged to grant a Bad characdemit to a brother of bad character, or who is charged Undercharg's. with unmasonic conduct, or who has not paid his dues Delinquents. to date; with those exceptions the matter is at the discretion of the subordinate lodges.--1871, 17.

265. The lodge erred in granting a demit to a Prospective brother against whom the lodge has reason to believe that charges would soon be preferred. No lodge has the right to refuse a member a demit (in the exercise of its discretion) when the member is clear of the books, unless charges are pending against him, or there is a probability that charges may be preferred in a reasonable length of time.-1874, 62.

266. A demit should not be granted to a brother under charges, or about to be charged with Masonic offense-1879, 27.

267. When Grand Lodge, on appeal, declares a trial Pending trial irregular the case is remanded for a new trial, and ac-dered. cused can not demit until the case is disposed of .- 1884, 11; Reg. 687.

268. The right to demit is an inherent right and can Inherent, but not be denied, but the lodge also has rights, one of which is to close its doors to those who would avail

Can't refuse.

Exceptions.

^{*}This is "a matter of course" (see Rules in Appendix), and does not conflict with law or usage, as an objection subjects the matter to regular motion

Dimitted Ma- themselves of the privileges of the Order while bearing none of its burdens, viz: dimitted Masons.— 1893, 6.

269. A subordinate lodge can not grant a demit to Elective officer any elective officer during the term of his said office.—
1873, 12.

270. None of the elective officers of a lodge can demit.—1877.

271. No lodge has a right to grant a demit to its offi-Or any officer.* cers during the term for which he was elected or ap-Void if grant'd. pointed, and any attempt to grant him a demit is not only irregular but void. The very charge and obligation of an officer of a Masonic lodge at the ceremony Resignation.* of installation preclude the idea of any resignation or dismission during his term of office.—1883, 43.

272. When the lodge grants a demit to an elective officer the act is null and void, and it is the duty of the Master to so declare it.—1872, 18.

No officer can He obligates himself to perform certain duties for a demit or resign.

Reasons why. certain time, consequently a resignation or demit would be a violation of his free and voluntary obligation.—

1878; Reg. 254, 730-734.

Debt no bar. a note does not abridge the right of a brother to demit. The debt is against the lodge and not the individual brethren.—1889, 17.

Lodgegrants. 275. The lodge alone has the power to grant a demit. —1886, 21.

Not the Mass action on an application for a demit. This question ter.

At stated must be decided by the lodge alone, or a majority of the members present at a stated meeting.—1872, 18.

See also Reg. 261.

Failure to rethe books is granted a demit, and the Secretary fails to make a record of said action, the brother is as clearly a

^{*&}quot;....If the Master goes abroad on business, resigns, demits, or is deposed, the Senior Warden shall forthwith fill his place till the next stated time of election."—Const. or Ill. of M., adopted by Gr. L. Ky., 2d ed., 1818, 53.

demitted Mason as if it was fully recorded and he in possession of his certificate of demit. He can not be held responsible for a neglect of duty of the Secretary.

—1878.

278. If charges are "pending or probable" before Charges pending or probable. the certificate of his demit is issued that should be withheld, and he should be given the benefit of a speedy Speedy trial. The lodge should not vote a demit when charges are about to be preferred; and if it has been done so in Reconsider'g. ignorance of the fact its action should be at once reconsidered.—1888, 16.

279. A lodge can not require a brother to give his Reasons for. reasons for applying for a demit.—1891, 51.

280. When unworthy motives for applying for a demotives. mit are publicly avowed, disciplinary measures may be taken.—1877.

281. A demit does not shield a brother from punishment is no ment for offenses committed before the demit was shield.

granted.—1877.

282. A lodge does not lose its penal jurisdiction over Jurisdiction a brother by granting him a demit, so long as he remains over. in its geographical jurisdiction.—1878.

283. A lodge has the constitutional right to restore to Lodge may membership, remit the dues of a suspended member, restore. and grant a demit to him.—1865, 73; 1878.

284. Brother A. was Senior Warden of B. Lodge, In view of which resolved to surrender the charter, and the Secrecharter. tary was instructed to grant demits to all the brethren who were square with the books; that under this he received a demit and joined C. Lodge, of which he was elected Junior Warden; the first lodge concluded afterward not to surrender; which lodge is he a member and officer of? Answer.—He is Junior Warden of C. Lodge. 1878; Reg. 245.

285. Admitting to membership without a demit mem
Penalty for bers of another lodge, the lodge so acting becomes reout.

sponsible to the other for all dues they owe it.—1865,

73. See Reg. 296, 777.

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286. A brother expelled by his lodge but restored by Restored by the Grand Lodge to the privileges of Masonry may use Proceedings a the proceedings, as reported in his case, as a demit to accompany his petition, and shall be regarded by the lodge petitioned as non-affiliated.—1865, 58.

587. The rejection of an applicant for membership Rejected's does not affect the Masonic standing of the applicant. Demit person. His certificate of demit is his property, and should be al property. restored to him, if rejected.—1878.

288. It is not necessary for the Master to sign a demit. If it is properly made out, signed by the Secre-Who signs, With lodge tary, and bears the seal of the lodge, it is good.— 1886, 22.

> 289. Demits should be issued under the seal of the lodge, by the Secretary thereof .-- 1887, 16.

290. A brother Fellow Craft having demitted, and In States not being resident of a jurisdiction where such demits are recognizing F. not recognized, may resume his membership in the lodge C. demits. which demitted him, and it may then request some lodge where he resides to confer the Master's degree upon him.*--1888, 15.

291. The Grand Master having decided that "a Ma-Abuse of pow- son is subject to discipline if he willfully uses his power in the lodge to prevent the fellowship of a demitted brother, on the simple grounds of nationality," the Grand Lodge made this criticism: "It is regarded as impolitic, if not erroneous, and has awakened an apprehension that it might prove more productive of discord than tending to harmony; and such matters of discip-Discipline be- line should be left to the discretion of subordinate lodges without the intervention of any such decision, which might have the effect to increase rather than lessen the number of such occasional troubles."

er to bar demit-

Nationality.

longs to lodge.

DEMIT-FROM DEFUNCT LODGES.—See Reg. 176.

292. Granting demit to members of defunct lodges Without cost, erroneous. without cost is ill-advised.—1891, 55.

^{*}If it does not violate the law of the jurisdiction where he resides, of course.

293. It is incumbent upon an officer [or member] of Fee in absence a defunct lodge to pay three dollars, or show that he owes a less amount, before he can obtain a demit from Grand Sec'y Grand Secretary.—1891, 55; Reg. 301.

294. The Grand Secretary has authority to issue demits to members of defunct lodges without regard to the time such lodges became defunct, upon the conditions named in the regulation of 1887 .- 1890, 11.

295. The Grand Secretary is the only person authoralone grants, to ized to issue demits to members of a lodge whose char- whom, when. ter has been surrendered or forfeited, and then only upon the payment of three dollars or the amount owing by him to whom the demit is granted.—1889, 18, decisions 10 and 13; Reg. 393.

296. A member of a lodge whose charter has been ferfeited or surrendered must receive his demit from the Grand Secretary before he can petition for membership Necessary to in another lodge.*-1888, 15. See also Reg. 285.

Grand Sec.

297. A lodge admitting to membership a member of Penalty for a defunct lodge without a demit from the Grand Sec- out. retary, becomes thereby liable to the Grand Lodge for the amount of dues owing by said member to said lodge at its dissolution.

298. The Grand Secretary may issue a demit to a Gr. Sec. issues member who has been suspended by his lodge for non- to suspended, when. payment of dues, and whose lodge, since said suspension and before his restoration, has ceased to exist, upon payment by him of the amount he owed at the time of suspension: Provided no other charge is pending against him and his application conforms to and is accompanied by recommendation as required by law in the case of members of defunct lodges.—1889, 17; Reg. 299.

299. In the case of lodges that have been dissolved Demit by Gr. the Grand Secretary is the only person who can issue a Secretary demit, and he only when the records in his office, or On paym't or proof filed with him, show that the person to whom it was granted has paid [\$3 or] all arrears due from him

^{*}Demits by Grand Secretary to members of defunct lodges for \$4.50 (1885, 84) was superseded by Reg. 301.

to the lodge of which he was a member, or has had them remitted by the Grand Lodge. The Grand Sec-Under seal. retary should issue such demit under the seal of the Grand Lodge.—1887, 16; Reg. 295.

Defunct or or defunct lodges desire to affiliate with some live lodge, dormant lodge members' de-yet are unable to do so because the last Master and Secmits.

Lodge books. retary failed to send the books to the Grand Secretary as required by law, and brethren are thus forced to swell the ranks of the non-affiliated; therefore (xi, 17),

301. The Grand Secretary is authorized to issue de-Demits by Gr. mits to the members of lodges now defunct or practi-Secretary Dormant lodge cally dormant on the payment of three dollars, or the amount of their indebtedness, upon their filing with him Recommenda- a recommendation by a lodge near their residence, and under its seal, showing that such recommendation was made by a unanimous ballot taken at a stated meeting of said lodge; provided, that the applicant for the demit avows his intention to immediately become affiliated Declaration. with a live lodge of Masons, and that the demit is wanted Disposal of to enable him to do so. One-half of the amount so money. received shall go the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home.—1887, 50, 51.

Joed lodge possession of the Grand Lodge—affirmatively show that before dissolution said defunct lodge granted a demit to one of its members, the Grand Secretary may issue to the brother under seal of the Grand Lodge, a certificate showing the facts. And said certificate will possess all the validity belonging to the original.—1889, 19.

DEPOSITIONS.—See Evidence.

DIGEST AND CODE.

Name Changed; See Bottom of Page 4.

First one. 303. The first authority given for it in 1879, 70.

Second, for 304. Digest to be republished and sent to lodges, for use of its members.—1888, 27, 70.

305. Time and use has demonstrated the practicable Important. benefit arising from the Digest prepared by R. W. Bro. H. B. Grant. We could hardly do without it. It is important that it should be revised so as to include the changes in the Constitution and Regulations to date. Bro. Grant having originated the idea and successfully prepared both editions, it is proper that he should have charge of the third edition. There shall be 1,000 copies printed, to contain matter given in the table of contents of the second edition, forms for petitions, demits, etc.; numerical and alphabetical lists of lodges; list of lodges by counties; list of Past Grand Masters, Deputy Grand Masters, Grand Wardens and Grand Secretaries. -- 1893, 15, 38.

Third edition.

No. copies. Contents.

306. The Digest and Code, issued by authority of the Laws, etc., Grand Lodge, contains the laws and decisions of the Grand Lodge up to its last session, and are binding upon Grand Masters and all Masons in Kentucky.—1881, 21, Sets forth all the constitutional provisions and Contains what. decisions on the subject of prerogatives.—1881, 51.

307. We can not too strongly urge upon the lodges Lodges urged to study it. in this jurisdiction attention to the valuable suggestions and forms for Masonic trials provided in the Code and Digest furnished by this Grand Lodge—the most convenient and complete, perhaps, known to Masonic jurisprudence. With such guides errors in transcripts are Errors inexwholly inexcusable, and should receive the unqualified rebuke and condemnation of this Grand Body.—1887, 32.

DIPLOMA.

[It is obviously improper and the present Grand Master has given a decision that diplomas can not be granted to non-affiliates, and ought not to be granted to any one without consent of the lodge.—H. B. G.]

308. A lodge, before granting a diploma, should possess clear and satisfactory evidence of the brother's good standing as a man and Mason.-1873, 13.

Conditions.

DISCIPLINE .-- See Penalty.

DISCORD.—See Lodge.

DISFRANCHISEMENT.—See Penalty.

DISMISSION.—See Demit.

DISPENSATION.—See Degrees, Lodges U. D., Meeting Place.

Dedication of may open and close and attend, as a lodge, the dedication of thome Chapel tion of a memorial window in the chapel of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home on Sunday but it should open in the Entered Apprentice degree, and transact no business.—1888, 16.

Grand Master can not grant dispensation to elect officers.—Reg. 345. Nor confer degrees on one physically disqualified.—Reg. 446.

DISPUTES .- See Reg. 425.

DISTINCTIONS.

310. There are no distinctions among Masons. All In petition or must petition alike and alike be subject to the ballot-box. 1865, 12.

DONATION.

311. There is no law prohibiting a lodge making a To non-Mason. donation to one not a Mason.—1890, 14.

Penalty for donating on appeal for aid without Consent to ask. approval of Grand Master.—Reg. 11.

DRUNKENNESS.

- 312. Drunkenness is a Masonic offense, and our lodges An offense. should be more rigid in their discipline on this subject. —1878.
- 313. The action of a lodge expelling a brother for Expulsion for. repeated drunkenness is approved by Grand Lodge by "fully commending the action of the lodge ridding itself of a drunken brother."—1866, 31.

DUES.

- 314. In this jurisdiction Entered Apprentices and All grades li-Fellow Crafts, equally with Masters, are liable for dues, and subject to discipline for non-payment.—1877, 15.
- 315. A lodge can not expel for non-payment of dues. Expulsion for, —1881.
- 316. No dues are charged by the Grand Lodge on Ministers. Ministers of the Gospel, but they are required to pay the [Home] assessment.—1878.
- 317. Dues go on until action is taken, as specified in Cease when. vii, 5; Reg. 15, now of the Grand Lodge Constitution.

 —1877, 14.
- 318. A suspended Mason is only chargeable with dues During susup to the time of his suspension, and not during sus-charged.
- 319. A brother suspended for non-payment of dues was charged dues during the time he was suspended, which he paid and was reinstated. The lodge refused Refund if paid. to refund to him the amount of dues paid by him for the time during which he stood suspended. On appeal the lodge was directed to refund the amount.—1874, 56.
- 320. Where there is ability to pay [dues] and it is Ability and refused, the transgressor is wholly unworthy of Masonic respect or companionship, and in flagrant instances justifies social non-intercourse.—1871, 14.
- 321. A by-law prohibiting a Master Mason from Arrears do not voting at an annual election of officers, or from holding office, for being in arrears for dues, is unconstitutional.

 No brother can be deprived of such rights on account Before susof his failure to pay dues, until he has been regularly suspended.—1876.
- 322. No money penalty can be imposed upon a mem- No money ber, otherwise eligible, to prevent him standing for office, nor prevent the lodge from voting for him.—
 1875, 13.
- 323. A lodge notified a brother to come forward at Notice before the next regular meeting and show cause why he should not be suspended, under the action of the by-laws, for non-payment of dues. This is legal, and a brother re-

ceiving this notice and failing to appear may lawfully be suspended.—1887, 67.

Notify or cite notice, Reg. 323, 326] before he can be lawfully suspending.

Pended for non-payment of dues, or any other offense.

—1879, 27.

Is essential.

Disobedience of summons.

325. Notice of proceedings must precede suspension for non-payment.—1880, 48.

326. A member notified of indebtedness, cited to appear* and make defense, may be suspended. If [summoned and] he fails to appear he may be suspended without further ceremony, and upon his failure [to answer] without sufficient cause he may be summoned and expelled [for disobedience of the first summons].—
1882, 76, 77; Reg. 323 (and footnote†).

327. The lodge can not remit the dues of a suspended Remission to brother after his death and make him appear in good restore after standing at the time of his decease.—1876.

328. The lodge itself can not remit the dues of a suspended brother after death, and make him appear in good standing at the time of his death.—1892, 10; Reg. 974.

329. A lodge can not remit the dues (or receive the Cannot be done. same from the family or friends) of a dead brother, who died under suspension for non-payment of dues, and bury him with Masonic honors.—1878.

330. If a member cited to show cause why he shall Remit or give not be suspended for non-payment, appears and pleads time if unable inability, the lodge may remit or grant time.—1882, 21; Reg. 971.

Right to remit. sessment. It is of doubtful propriety for a lodge to remit the dues of a member, except in cases of great

Benefits of destitution. Masonry confers benefits and it ought to exact obligations.—1892, 54.

*Notices of amount due, and of time action will be taken, two separate processes is not meant. See Code 50.

The words notice, cite, and summons are apparently used synonymously, from which the conclusion is irresistible that the object is to make sure that the brother has "due and timely notice," and an opportunity to be heard in h s own defense. (vii, 5; Code 50.) If he has, that is sufficient in law and in justice.

- 332. A lodge can remit the dues of one of its sus- A lodge may pended members, and reinstate him.—1878; Reg. 283.
- 333. The Grand Master can not remit the dues from Gr. M. can't. subordinate lodges to Grand Lodge.—1888, 19.
- 334. The Grand Lodge can not donate dues or grant when Gr. I. time (so that Representatives can draw mileage) without violating the Constitution.—iv, 11; xi, 18, par. 7; 1881, 18.

Grand Lodge can not violate its own laws, concerning dues, etc.—Reg. 413, 414.

Grand Lodge may assess dues in lodges.—Reg. Gr. L'ge may 422, 423.

- 335. Unless dues, etc., are paid as required by the Lodges liable Constitution, lodges are liable to citation and charges of unmasonic conduct.—Reg. 817.
- 336. Grand Secretary can not keep his books open to Gr. Sec. can't enter payments of dues made after October 1 as of that date.—Reg. 888.

EASTERN STAR.

- 337. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky has never recog- Unrecognized. nized the degree known as "Eastern Star," nor established any chapter to confer it.—1889, 18.
- 338. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky does not favor Not favored. these side degrees, and distinctly legislated as to such bodies as were recognized and would be legitimate. The Eastern Star is not one of the bodies so recognized. xvi, 1; 1891, 49.

EDICT.

339. An edict, decree or resolution of the Grand Binding at once Lodge takes effect, and is binding upon the subordinate lodges, from its passage.—1892, 9.

ELECTIONS.

340. The election of officers in a subordinate lodge Time to hold. shall take place on December 27th. If that day happens upon Sunday the election will be held on the Saturday before or the Monday after, as the lodge may

direct [except if two lodges meet in same room, at Failure to hold. stated meeting preceding—xi, 12]. If the lodge fails to hold its election on that day, the officers hold over until Gr. Master no the next annual election. The Grand Master has no authority to grant a dispensation for a special election.

—1876, 20, 65; 1879, 27.

341. An election of lodge officers held on any other When void. day or in any other way than that defined by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Lodge, is of no Officers hold effect. The old officers hold over.—1892, 9.

342. A lodge elected its officers on December 27th, as required (xi, 12). All were installed except the Secretary-elect, who declined to serve. At the succeeding meeting in January the lodge held another election for Secretary. That election was illegal. Each officer holds his position until his successor is duly elected and installed. In this case the former Secretary holds over.

—1889, 18.

343. A by-law providing that the hour for election By-law fix hour. should be fixed by the lodge at the previous meeting, the Master could not call a meeting for the election at a different hour than that fixed for the stated meeting, in case the lodge failed to fix it.—1882, 20, 23.

Must conform of officers to be on December 27th of each year, is invalid. It should conform to the Constitution (xi, 2, 12).

—1888, 18.

345. The Grand Master has no power to grant a dis-Gr. Mas. can't pensation to hold an election for officers of a lodge when change time. Failing to elect. it failed to hold it at the time prescribed by the Consti-Informal elect'n tution. The same rule prevails if an election is held informally, or should be illegal; in such cases the old officers hold over.—1873, 12; 1879, 27.

Held in 3d deg. 346. Election of officers must be in a lodge of Master Masons.—1871, 17.

- 347. A Past Master, and Secretary who has never Qualification as served as Warden, being in nomination* for the office Master. of Master, the election of the latter would be void, and the old officers would hold over.—1882, 20.
- 348. A lodge has the right to elect as its Master a member who is not a Past Master or Warden, provided When no Past Mass. or Warden there be no Past Master or Warden qualified or capa-qualified. ble of being Master .- 1892, 9.
- 349. The Tyler having been given an opportunity Tyler's vote. to vote, the election is not void because he refused to [In a case where he was inadvertently overlooked, and his vote would not have changed the result, the election was held to be valid. __1891, 51.
- 350. The Constitution provides that officers of the Grand Lodge Grand Lodge shall be elected by ballot, and that the elect by ballot, rules for election in subordinate lodges shall be similar so must lodges. to those adopted in Grand Lodge. It is not lawful to elect officers in a lodge in any other way than by ballot. An election viva voce would not be valid.—1886, Viva voce election. 21; also see Reg. 741.
- 351. By-laws denying to members in good standing, Arrears for dues but in arrears for dues, the right to vote, or to be voted no bar. for at elections, have repeatedly been declared contrary to the Constitution. In such a case the election was declared invalid, and the former officers held over until their successors were elected.—1887, 15.

Master not to set aside election.—Reg. 1042.

Master's power.

EMBEZZLEMENT.

352. The charge in the subordinate lodge was gross An offense. unmasonic conduct-in defrauding a brother Master Mason out of certain moneys alleged to have been collected and secretly appropriated to his own use. Hav-

^{*&}quot;The present Wardens (where they regular are) shall be put un among the candidates for the chair.... While every free member (viz: all who have paid up their dues, or have been excused payment according to law) gives his vote.... Every free member hath one vote...." The Master elect shall then nominate one for the Senior Warden's chair, and the present Master and brethren shall nominate one in opposition..."In like manner shall the lodge proceed in the choice of all inferior officers; great care being taken that none be put in nomination for favor or affection, birth or fortune, exclusive of the consideration of real merit and ability, to fill his office for the honor and advancement of Masonry." Con. or Ill. M. compiled by order of and adopted by the Gr. L. of Ky., 2d ed. 1818, p. 59.

ing acted without bias or prejudice, and the proceedings being regular, the action is approved.—1886, 53.

ENTERED APPRENTICE.

353. It is not lawful, even by unanimous consent, to Proficient, to pass an Entered Apprentice before he has learned the lecture of that degree. "Suitable proficiency" means a knowledge of the lecture, and the ability to repeat it.

—1877.

Made in other has taken the degree in a foreign jurisdiction can be "passed" in Kentucky, only by consent of the lodge which initiated him.—1877.

355. Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts are not Can't attend permitted to engage in Masonic burials.—1877.

356. An Entered Apprentice can only be tried and Where tried convicted in a lodge of Entered Apprentices.—1890, 38.

Benefit of Home Rights to benefits of the Home.—Reg. 593.

ENVY.—See Lodge.

EVIDENCE.

Lodge judges judge of the weight and effect of evidence, credulity evidence & penalty.

The subordinate lodge is the proper tribunal to evidence is judge of the weight and effect of evidence, credulity of witnesses, and fix the degree of punishment.—1879, 50, 51.

Defective records. The records [in case before Grand Lodge] and indefinite, and the action of the lodge against accused was taken twelve years after the offense is supposed to have been committed;" therefore the action was set aside, and the brother "restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry." In another case, where the evidence was vague, the action of the lodge was "set aside and the case remanded back for a new trial."

-1874, 56; Reg. 369.

Common fame. 359. Testimony of "common fame" is not admissible.

-Reg. 997.

Hearsay. 360. "Hearsay evidence should not be admitted" as

proof, and trial in law courts does not depense with Evidence in proof as required by the Constitution.—1871, 17.

- 361. A lodge can not rely upon evidence given in Unreliable, court against a member, for such testimony is not positive evidence of his guilt.—1872, 18.
- 362. Evidence taken in court can not be accepted in Can't be accepted. Masonic trial. It is taken before a committee duly Taken by comappointed, as set forth in Article iv [now xii] of Constitution.—1879, 28.
- 363. Testimony of witnesses [profanes] should be Profanes. under oath.—1871, 74.
- 364. Profanes in giving evidence [in a Masonic trial] must be sworn.—1873, 46.
- 365. Profanes can not be compelled to give evidence. —Reg. 996.
- 366. The deposition of a profane, taken after due Depositions, notice, is admissible (subject to credibility) either to assailable. contradict a member or attack his general moral character.—1871, 18.
- 367. The testimony of negroes may be taken for or Negroes. against a Mason under charges, and is entitled to such weight as the character of the witness and his manner of testifying shall justify, the lodge being the judge.—
 1872, 18.
- 368. A lodge should have notice of the complaint, Notice of complaint, time and and of the time and place of taking evidence by another place.
- 369. The evidence must be shown in the record sent Shown on apup in appealed cases.—1872, 72.
- 370. In taking proof it is error to introduce evidence Confined to alas to other acts than those named in the specification.—

 1884, 38.
- 371. The evidence of the wife may be taken against Wife vs. husthe husband in certain cases.—Reg. 1049.

EXAMINATION.

372. There is no provision of the Constitution, or rule when, where adopted by the Grand Lodge, to prevent a brother, desirous of advancing, from being examined in open

lodge, in regard to his proficiency, within the lunar month.—1870, 82.

Candidate examined in lodge as to proficiency.— Reg. 132, 134.

EXPEL, EXPULSION.

373. Unless the by-laws of subordinate lodge declare Majority rules, to the contrary, a majority vote is sufficient to suspend or expel.—1871, 17.

374. When the by-laws are silent upon a point, a majority may suspend or expel.—1877.

375. A vote to expel a brother may be determined by Vote by ballot. a majority vote, but must be by ballot.—1876, 21. This is a matter especially to be controlled by the respective By-law controls lodges; and if they make a by-law requiring that it shall take a two-thirds vote to expel, then the by-law must govern; but in the absence of any by-law upon the subject a majority vote is sufficient.—1876, 65.

376. A vote to expel must be by secret ballot, the But by ballot. lodge being composed of not less than seven members [present].—1880, 43.

Can't expel n. 377. A lodge can not expel for non-payment of dues.

—Reg. 315.

378. The action of a lodge in expelling a member status of ex- severs his connection with that lodge. If the Grand pelled, If restored by Lodge reinstates him he stands as a demitted Mason in good standing; and to become a member again in any lodge he must petition regularly and abide his time.—
1878.

When proceedings as a demit.—1865, 58. See Reg. 286.

Suspended can be expelled. 380. A Mason under suspension can be tried and expelled.—1881, 47.

381. After the expulsion of a member he must come Restoration. back, if at all, by petition and an unanimous ballot.—
1887, 13.

EXTINCT LODGES.—See Lodges Defunct.

FAIR.—See Festival, Gambling, Lodges.

FAITHFUL.

382. Who are the faithful? Such only as are in good Who are? standing.—1874, 47.

FALSEHOOD.

383. Fraud and falsehood are not to be countenanced Condemned. by Masonry.—1879, 62.

FEES.

- 384. The fee accompanying a petition for initiation With petition. should in all cases be promptly returned where the applicant is rejected.—1876.
- 385. No fee is payable to Grand Lodge for charter Consolidated of consolidated lodges, but Grand Secretary is entitled to his fee as in other cases.—1887, 10.

FELLOW CRAFT.

- 386. "More Honorable" is *not* a proper prefix to the Prefix. Fellow Craft degree.—1867, 57.
- 387. A Fellow Craft who commits offense of im- May be tried. moral character, contrary to the teachings of Masonry, may be tried and punished. 1866, 32.
- 388. Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts are not Not at burials. permitted to engage in Masonic burials.—1877.

FESTIVAL.

389. Funds raised for a lodge by festivals, suppers, Funds for. etc., are the property of the lodge, and should be paid over to the Treasurer by the committee having the festival in charge.—1888, 16.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.—See By-laws, Committee.

FINANCE.

390. A subordinate lodge has a right to manage its Lodge manages own [financial] affairs in its own way.—1873, 45.

391. On all questions involving finances the matter Gr. Sec. con-should be referred to a committee, which committee sulted by Grand Lodge com'tees. should call upon the Grand Secretary for information on behalf of the Grand Lodge before making any recommendation.—1891, 109, 110.

FINDING.

392. After the evidence is heard, the question should when deter- be whether the charges [and specifications] should be sustained; to be determined by secret ballot.—1871, 41; By majority bal- and by a majority vote.—Reg. 373; 1871, 42.

393. The vote on the guilt or innocence of the accused must be by ballot, and not by a "rising vote."—1872, 71.

of members 394. Only actual members can vote upon the findings.
-1872, 72.

Jodge deter. ings of a lodge being perfectly regular, it is in the mines.

If regular, not province of a lodge to fix the penalty; and, having done this, their finding should not be disturbed [by the Grand Lodge].—1879, 49.

396. The lodge is the proper tribunal to decide the Lodge is the question of fact and fix the degree of punishment.—
1880, 41.

Effect of guilt. For effect of finding of guilty-Reg. 771.

E. A.'s trial. Entered Apprentices can be found guilty (or innocent) in an Entered Apprentice lodge.—Reg. 356.

FINES.

Disapproved. 397. Fines in Masonry are not sanctioned in American lodges.—1877.

FORGERY .- See Penalty.

^{*}Fines were very common in early days. From a phototype of St. John's Lodge dues-book, Philadelphia, 1731, we find in Benjamin Franklin's account, under date of November 5, 1731, a charge for fine on account of absence 1s., and a number of such entries appear in his and other accounts. "Every member...shall pay quarterly...and the same sum on default of attendance..."—Ahi. Rez., Pa., 1783, p. 82. Fines are frequently prescribed in the old MSS.—See Reg., which, substantially, prescribes a fine—and with apparent justness.

FRANCE, GRAND ORIENT OF.

398. All Masonic intercourse with the Grand Orient Intercourse forof France is dissolved, and lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and all Masons owing allegiance to it, are forbidden to receive as visitors or hold intercourse with any Mason owing allegiance to said Grand Orient of France, or any Masonic body under its jurisdiction.—1869; 1888, 66.

399. The Grand Orient of France has established Negro lodges. lodges of colored Masons in American jurisdictions, and we have interdicted Masonic intercourse with those hailing from her. There are chapters and commanderies of colored Masons in this Commonwealth, established by authority from without our borders, and not recognized by us on that account.—1388, 11.

[For acts of Grand Orient of France in Louisiana, see 1872, 20]

FRAUD.--See Falsehood.

FREE MEMBERS.—See Assessment, Ministers.

[The present Grand Master has decided that breth- 50 year memren affiliated for fifty years* are exempt from Grand ment. Lodge dues but not from assessment.]

400. Grand Lodge dues must be paid on all members, Ministers, conexcept Ministers of the Gospel who come under the provisions of the Constitution [xi, 8] under certain contingencies as free members.—1865, 12.

401. A lodge may or may not, in its discretion, make Creating, vests Ministers of the Gospel free members and charge them no dues; then [if made free by lodge.—Reg. 402] nothing is paid on such Ministers to the Grand Lodge, but this is a matter wholly within the discretion of the subordinate lodges.—1880, 40.

402. Section 8, Article xi, of the Constitution, does Not by Connot of itself make Ministers of the Gospel free members of subordinate lodges. That is permitted, but must be Made by vote. done by vote of the subordinate lodge.—1888, 16.

^{*}See Sec. 8, 9 of Art. xi, Con., concerning "50 year members."

FUNERAL.—See Burial.

Expenses, for other State, the lodge here is not bound to reimburse a lodge in the foreign jurisdiction for the expenses borne by them in his funeral.—1888, 15.

GAMBLING.

Violation of is a violation of Masonic law. Raffling is gambling; law, divine and State.

Raffling.

Raffling.

Raffling.

Raffling.

GOD.

Rever'ce name. 405. The name of God must be always spoken with reverence.—1870, 17, 62.

GRAND CHAPTER.

Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, as a courtery's office.

tesy, be tendered the free use of the Grand Secretary's office.—1893, 41.

GRAND LECTURERS.—See Custodians, Work and Lectures.

407. There shall be a Grand Lecturer, and as many Office created. Deputy Grand Lecturers and Lecturers as may be Other Lecturdeemed expedient; all of whom shall be Master Masons, Qualifications. members of some subordinate lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, and before entering upon the duties of their offices shall submit to an Examinations. examination by the College of Custodians under its rules as to their fitness and qualifications. If found to be proficient, or sufficiently informed in the work and lectures, and otherwise suitable, they shall be given a Certificate, ten. certificate which shall expire by limitation in one year from its date; and unless such certificate be renewed (after a re-examination) the brother to whom it was given shall cease to be either Grand Lecturer, Deputy

Grand Lecturer or Lecturer, as the case may be.—1892, 14, 42.

408. The Grand Lecturer shall be appointed by the Appointment. Grand Master, and report fully to the Grand Lodge at Reports. its annual communications, and ad interim, to the Grand Master when required; and shall receive the sum of \$100.00 per month from the Grand Treasurer. In addition thereto he shall be paid (by the lodges visited) Expenses. his actual traveling expenses to reach such lodges, and if away from home, be furnished board while instructing them.—1892, 14, 42; 1893, 41.

409. The Grand Lecturer shall, after consulting with Notice of visits. the Masters of lodges, when practicable, give notice through the Masonic Home Journal where and when he will hold lodges of instruction; and shall hold such struction.

Lodges of instruction.

a lodge for at least six consecutive days (omitting Sundays) in every judicial district of the State annually.—

1892, 14, 42. Reg. 410.

410. The Grand Lecturer is hereby instructed hereafter to hold conventions as far as practicable by counties, instead of by judicial districts, as heretofore.—
1893, 53.

411. The Grand Lecturer, by advice and consent of Lecturers:
the Grand Master, may appoint Deputy Grand Lecturers;
ers, who may hold lodges of instruction under the warrants of some regular lodge, under direction of the Grand
Lecturer, and receive such compensation, if any, from Compensation.
the parties interested as may be agreed upon by them.
--1893, 14, 42.

[Custodians appoint Lecturers.—Reg. 217.]

Lecturers.

GRAND LODGE.

412. There is no higher court in Freemasonry [than The highest the Grand Lodge].—1877, 66.

[Edict, decree or resolution takes effect from its Edicts. passage.—Reg. 339.]

413. The Grand Lodge has no power to violate its Can't violate own laws.—1872, 19.

414. The Grand Lodge has no authority to violate

ance.

its legislative enactments or its fundamental law. 1890, 45.

415. Were it admitted that the Grand Lodge has the Controls lodge right to control these [E. A., F. C. and M. M.] degrees The founda- only, still they constitute the foundation upon which the tion of all. "contending independent rites" referred to confessedly [A. A. S. R.-Reg. 14, 16.] Owner, & con- Lodge, to the extent of its territorial jurisdiction, is the trols whole sysabsolute, exclusive and indisputable owner and controltem. ler of the whole system of creed and symbolism of the three degrees named, "preserving the ancient land-Anthority em- marks." From this proprietor all authority possessed anates from Gr. by subordinate lodges, or individuals, to assemble in the capacity of Masons, in the name of Masonry, is directly Lodges confer derived. Subordinate lodges - and not the Grand Lodge--confer the degrees, but they do so under au-By delegated thority delegated to them in charters and dispensations authority. granted by the Grand Lodge, or its executive head.—

1889, 26.

416. Unlike our civil governmental polity, which is the creature of the people, and performs secondary or Creature of delegated functions, the Grand Lodge is the creature of the subordinate lodges, and the repository of Masonic Building on authority. Whatever superstructure is erected upon symbolic Masonry is by con-Symbolic Masonry in Kentucky stands upon the founsent or sufferdation - the groundwork-laid by the Grand Lodge. Have we not then the right to say to what uses our beautiful system and symbolisms shall be directed, or Control, a right who may build upon them? Have we not the right to as self-preser-vation. control our own? If not, then we are without either the right or power of self-preservation.—1889, 27. Reg. 415.

A rite operat-ing as "Mason-ic," 417. The moment an "independent rite" begins to operate in the name of Masonry, and avowedly build Gr. Lodge may upon the system of degrees referred to, the Grand Lodge judge, has the right to pronounce judgment upon its legitimacy And determine or illegitimacy, to the extent at least of interdicting Malegitimacy, sonic intercourse therewith. That right exists ex neces-It is found in the very nature of the case.

certainly will not do to say that, as we have not received Without takthe degrees belonging to these "contending independent rites," we are not competent to pass upon their legitimacy. That would be begging the question. equally logical it would be to say that, because we have not been possessed of land we are not competent to pass upon the right of another to possession, or because we have not stolen something we would not be competent jurors to set in judgment upon him who had. -1S89, 27.

418. The Grand Lodge can make laws without first Power to make incorporating them as part of the Constitution. Grand Lodge has the right to declare by ordinary enactment what bodies in this jurisdiction, acting in the Say what is legitimate. name of Masonry, are legitimate and what are not .-1889, 27.

- 419. The power is alone in the Grand Lodge to And restrict restrict the Masonic conduct of its membership, even independently of written Constitution or statute. -- Outside of Con-1889, 28.
- 420. The Grand Lodge is a judicial as well as a leg- Gr. L. judicial, islative body, and has the right to determine the mean- Construes law. ing of its own constitutional provisions.—1891, 50.
- 421. The Grand Lodge heirs what is left by a sub- Heirs lodge ordinate lodge when the demise takes place. 1879, 27. property.
- 422. There is but one way by which the Grand Dues and as-Lodge or subordinate lodges can force money from compuls'ry paytheir members, and that is by the assessment of dues. -1875, 57.
- 423. The Grand Lodge has the right to levy a tax on Right to tax. subordinate lodges.—1878, 5, 30.
- 424. It would be at least unwise for the Grand Lodge When not to to do for its subordinate lodges that which they have the full power to perform for themselves.—1865, 73.
- 425. It is not the province of the Grand Lodge, al-May, but sh'd not settle money though it has the right to do so, to settle disputes in re-disputes. gard to money matters between subordinate lodges and their members when no moral principle is involved and Exceptions. no flagrant injustice has been done.—1885, 44.

GRAND LODGE SOVEREIGNTY.

Doctrine de- the doctrine of unequivocal, undivided Grand Lodge sovereignty, and that none other can be tolerated by sovereign Grand Lodges without endangering the peace of the Masonic powers of the world.—1885, 71.

427. Any invasion of the jurisdictional rights of one Invasion a men- of the Grand Lodges of the United States menaces the stability of other Grand Lodges.—1872, 65.

428. This Grand Lodge will cordially unite with other

Friendly offices. Grand Lodges, home and foreign, in restoring amicable relations between the Grand Lodges, and recommend Exclusive to the contending parties the law of exclusive jurisdiction, so long established among American Grand Lodges, and with such harmonious results. This Grand Lodge Will be main-peremptorily declares that she will never submit to have her own territory invaded by other Masonic powers, and she can not justify the course of any who lose sight of the Golden Rule.—1879, 73.

Concessions to the lodges in Tennessee the right of receiving petitions from, and making Masons of citizens of this State residing on our borders, whose residence shall be nearer such lodge than to any lodge in Kentucky. [This in exchange for like courtesies by Tennessee.]—1871, 59, 60.

GRAND MASTER.

Constitutional the Constitution, the incumbent possesses no legitimate office.

Whence au authority but such as he derives from that instrument, thority.

which is the creative power.—1862, 9.

431. The executive head of Grand Lodge—[1889, The head, to 26], whose duty is to enforce the laws.—Reg. 535.

432. The Grand Master is simply the creature of the The creature. Grand Lodge, deriving all his authority from that body,

Prerogative, and not invested with any "prerogative" which might annul her edicts or contravene her avowed policy.—

1868, 17.

How addressed. How addressed when in the chair.—Rule 11, p. 39.

433. It has not been the opinion of this Grand Lodge Acts subject to that the actions and opinions of the Grand Master are not subjects of inquiry, or that his decisions are final, or Decisions. that his rule is prerogative and absolute.—1863, 10.

434. The prerogatives exercised by the Grand Master Must obey the Constitution. must conform to and not violate the provisions of the Constitution. It is not in the power of the Grand Master to disregard a provision of the Constitution; but in every instance the Constitution, as prescribed by the Grand Lodge, should be observed.—1878, 37, 38.

tute his will for

435. The Grand Master can not substitute his will or Not to substiconsent in place of the Constitution, the Ancient Land- law. marks and the time-honored usages of the Craft .-1872, 19.

436. The Grand Master is not the Grand Lodge dur- Not Gr. Lodge. ing vacation, but his decisions must be obeyed ad in- Decisions bindterim. While the Grand Master is the Grand Master ing. of the Grand Lodge while it is sitting in executive* session, the Grand Lodge is his master when sitting as a court of appeals.—1873, 59.

437. The Grand Master must, in the interim of his Power in va-Grand Lodge, be the Grand Lodge† in all matters per- ca:ion. taining to Masonic discipline, the correction of errors, Discipline. the communication of proper instruction in the rituals, Ritual. reconcilements of contending lodges and brethren, plant- Reconcilement. ing corner-stones and dedicating public edifices. Far Corner-stones, better for the Grand Lodge, once a year, to correct a few errors of their Grand Master, caused by his excess of zeal, than to chain his hands so as to prevent him from doing any good.—1877, 66.

438. A general decision of a Grand Master, though Special laws approved by the Grand Lodge, is subordinate to a dence. decision of the Grand Lodge upon a special case.t-1877.

^{*}An executive is one who carries laws into effect; hence, I presume, the Grand Master decides and carries into effect the rules, etc., while he occupies the chair—subject to appeal.—Rule 3, p. 38.

†Subject to appeal of course, which is a constitutional right, and one generally accepted by law and usage, and made evident in the next sentence of this regulation. The meaning is, simply, that he executes the law; he can not make

law.

‡In other words, a special law or rule is superior to and takes precedence over a general law.

May arrest power to arrest the charter of a subordinate lodge, for cause, and his orders in the case should be obeyed.—
1874, 56; decision 1, 1878; Reg. 171, 173.

440. Has discretionary power to arrest charters of defunct lodges.*—1885, 64.

May suspend Master of a subordinate lodge for cause, notwithstanding the opinion of the members of the lodge may be to the contrary.—1872, 74.

Can't fill va. cies in office in subordinate lodges. It is the right of cancy in lodge, the Master of the lodge.—1879, 27. May in Grand Lodge.—Reg. 740.

Can't remit Lodge dues, or make assessment for any purpose whatdues, penalties or assessment, ever.—1879, 26. Nor remit penalties.—Reg. 769.

Nor pass on proceedings in a trial were or not regular, or reverse or reverse acts in trials. the action of a lodge, or interfere with the result.—1891, 49. See Reg. 823.

445. It is the duty of each successive Grand Master,

Portraits for as soon after his installation as practicable, to furnish the Grand Secretary with his portrait, to be kept framed among the archives of the Grand Lodge.—1891, 89.

Qualifications dispensations to confer degrees on one deemed by the lodge physically disqualified.—1891, 52.

Members of Wardens, who are ex-officio members of the Board of Home direct'ry. Should attend Directors of the Home, to attend at least one meeting annually of said Board, and they are requested to report the same to this Grand Lodge.—1884, 68.

Publish decisions in Masonic Home Journal.

—Reg. 590.

448. It would be improper for the Grand Master to

Decision on decide points of Capitular Masonry.—1888, 15.

Chapters' af-

449. The Grand Master will not give any decision

^{*}That is, take possession of.

officially which is to be "kept secret from the lodge," Secret decisor suppressed from his report to Grand Lodge.—
1888, 15.

450. The Grand Master's decision should not be asked How ask dein writing, except over the lodge seal or some certificate and seal proving the questioner a Mason.—1888, 16.

451. Letters addressed to Grand Master should give Letters to. name and number of lodge and under seal.—Reg. 539, 540.

Grand Master decides actual questions; nothing Hypothetical upon mere hypothesis.—Reg. 228.

Grand Master can not grant dispensations to elect Elections in officers.—Reg. 345.

Grand Master's prospective decision should not be Prospective asked.—Reg. 801.

GRAND MASTER'S OFFICE AND SECRE-TARY.

452. The offer of the Directory is accepted for room at the Home to be designated as the office of the Grand Master of Kentucky, provided with desk and appropriate furniture; one of the boys or girls of the Home to be annually designated as Private Secretary of the Grand Master, and instructed in stenography and typewriting. This distinction to be a reward of merit, conferred on the one who shall manifest the highest excellence in scholarship and deportment. A suitable compensation for this service shall be provided by the Home Directors, and the details of appointment under rules Appointment, they may deem best.—1892, 18, 19, 62.

GRAND ORIENT OF FRANCE.—See France.

GRAND PURSUIVANT.*

453. The Grand Lodge should pay those who labor No pay. a just and fair equivalent for their work; [The committee whose report was concurred in—1870, 66, 67] fail

^{*}Pronounced pur-swe-vant. A pursuivant is a state messenger; an at tendant on the heralds.

to see why an appropriation should be made to the Grand Pursuivant.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

object. Object in exchanging representatives with other jurisdictions, as enunciated in the commissions issued from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, being "that the ties of brotherly affection may be strengthened," it Unacceptable, is apparent that whenever a Grand Representative falls into disfavor, and from any cause is not acceptable to the brethren of the Grand Lodge to which he is accredited, his continuance as such representative would enshould be redanger the fraternal relations between the Grand Lodges, and it would be incumbent upon the Grand Master to remove him.—1892, 17, 49.

455. All persons duly recognized by this Grand Lodge as representatives near other Grand Lodges shall be ranked in our proceedings as Honorary Past Grand Privileges. Wardens, and entitled as such to seats in Grand Lodge, when present, provided that the right to vote is not included in honorary membership.—1879, 160.

Non-attend- Representative from the sessions of the Grand Lodge ance,
Treat as rest owhich he is accredited shall be considered as a resignation, and the place filled by the Grand Master as any other vacancy.—1880, 58, and page 160 of Foreign Correspondence report.

457. Absence from two consecutive Communications Or forfeiture. of the Grand Lodge to which they are accredited or failure to report their attendance thereat, should work a forfeiture of commission.—1890, 6.

GRAND SECRETARY.

458. Peculiar qualifications must be possessed in or-Qualifications. der to render a party efficient to fill the important, perhaps the most important office (of Grand Secretary), in the Grand Lodge. He must not only know the records and accounts in his office, but he must be a Masonic student, and authority upon Masonic law and

jurisprudence, for upon him much depends the usefulness or otherwise of your Grand Master. Were I com- Importance of. pelled to choose between a competent Grand Master and an incompetent Grand Secretary, or a mediocre Grand Master and an efficient, well-informed Grand Secretary, I would select the latter as the best equipped Grand Body, and the one likely to make the best record in the opinion of Masonic writers, critics and correspondents.—1891, 71.

- 459. Reports concerning impostors and Grand Sec- Report imretary's duties in relation thereto.—Reg. 486.
- 460. The Grand Secretary is authorized to dispose of Sells jewels. jewels which subordinate lodges have surrendered to the Grand Lodge, to such lodges as may wish to purchase them.—1883, 45.
- 461. Grand Secretary is the only person who can Issues demits. issue demits to members of defunct lodges.—1887, 16. See Demit.—1889, 137.
- 462. A committee to compile amendments to Code, Compiles Code changes. to be printed with the proceedings.—Reg. 199.
- 463. Grand Secretary authorized to commence print- Printing reing reports, etc., before Grand Lodge convenes, and to Daily proceedpublish daily proceedings.—1887, 54.
- 464. Letters to Grand Secretary should have the Letters to. name and number of the writer's lodge.—1888, 18.
- 465. Grand Secretary's instructions must be strictly Instructions of. complied with.—1881, 18.
- 466. There is nothing in the law authorizing Grand To close books. Secretary to hold his books open after October 1st to enable lodges to pay dues, etc., as of that date. Though made with the best of motives it is a stretch of authority which can not be countenanced.—1886, 36, 37. See Reg. 888.
- 467. The Grand Secretary is to rigidly enforce the Enforce law law now existing as to the promptness necessary to be used by Secretaries of lodges in forwarding their returns.—1889, 74.
 - 468. It shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary to

Report delin- report lodges failing to comply with the law in relation to making returns.—Reg. 889.

Settle with in settling with lodges, so as to give them a receipt in full, to be governed by the equities of each case, charg-

Adjusterrors. ing for dues erroneously omitted previously, and crediting the lodge with dues erroneously charged, subject to appeal of course.—1891, 59.

470. That the action of the Grand Secretary, in reRefer papers. ferring papers coming into his hands prior to the assembling of Grand Lodge, to the regular committees as
reported, be approved, and that this course be made his
duty in the future.—1889, 54.

Rents office. and consent of the Grand Master, is authorized and emProcure fur powered to rent an office for his use, and to provide such furniture and make such repairs as may be necessary from time to time.—1888, 70; 1889, 91.

Sell old prop- sell or otherwise dispose of the accumulated property of defunct lodges in his possession, the proceeds of such sales to be turned over to the Grand Treasurer.—
1889, 91.

Gr. Chapter Use of office tendered to Grand Secretary of the Secretary.

Grand Chapter.—Reg. 406.

Daviess' sword. Has the custody of the sword of Jos. Hamilton Daviess.—Reg. 476.

GRAND TREASURER.

473. The Grand Treasurer is responsible on his bond, Responsibility and can be forced to refund the amounts paid in violafor erroneous tion of constitutional provisions.—1881, 18.

474. The Grand Treasurer will require the receipts

Full receipt in full, of the Grand Secretary, to be exhibited to him before paying by every Representative before paying him.—1881,

17, 18.

475. The Grand Treasurer can not refuse payment Pays delegates. in full to a Representative on the ground that when the dispensation was first granted it was upon the condition

that the lodge should never receive more from the Grand Lodge than it paid in.—1887, 9. Reg. 858.

GRAND TYLER.

Tyler, when on duty, to use, as the special "instrument of his office," the sword of Past Grand Master Bro.

Col. Joseph Hamilton Daviess,* who fell at the battle of the River Raisin, while gallantly defending his country, and which was presented to this Grand Lodge in 1858 by the Grand Lodge of Indiana; and when not in use said sword shall be deposited in the vault at the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home for safe-keeping, and be in custody of the Grand Lodge is in possession of so cherished a relic, and it may, in course of time, if it remains in seclusion, fade entirely from memory.—

1884, 41.

GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE.—See Committees.

HALL.—See Dedicate, Lodge-room.

HEAL.

477. To heal is to cure. The obligation makes the Definition. Mason. Healing is re-obligating a brother to cure or correct what has been omitted or done in error in making him a Mason, or in passing or raising him.—
1893, 6.

478. The Master, in open lodge, has the power to Power to heal. heal so far as to correct irregularities done therein. In cases where a lodge may act it may request another lodge to perform that duty—1893, 6.

479. The Grand Lodge, or Grand Master during va-. who orders it. cation, may direct how and what healing shall be done, and appoint a brother to do it.—1893, 6.

^{*}When Col. Daviess fell he was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, which then embraced Indiana as well.—See history in proceedings 1858, p. 108, and Morris' History of Freemasonry in Kentucky, p. 435.

Who may not. 480. Another body of Masons (chapter, etc.) can not heal lodge irregularities.—1893, 6.

When impo- Lodge can make legitimate, by any process of healing, degrees conferred in a clandestine lodge.—1893, 6.

HOME.—See Masonic W. & O. Home, Assessment.

HOME JOURNAL.—See Masonic Home Journal.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

482. The election by the lodge of an honorary mem-How chosen. ber is the act of the lodge upon its own responsibility, and without petition or request from the brother or member.—1891, 54.

Jurisdiction honorary member, by another lodge, does not give the latter penal jurisdiction over the honorary member.—
1891, 54.

IGNORANCE.

No excuse. 484. Ignorance of law is not a valid excuse.—1886,

Reading. 485. Our brethren do not read enough.—1889, 17.

IMPOSTORS.

486. It is made the duty of the Secretaries of all subGr. Secretary ordinate lodges, or the Committee of Charity of the same, on donations being made to any one representing himself to be a brother, to report the fact to the Grand Secretary immediately, giving his name and the name of the lodge to which he reports himself as belonging, and such other remarks as may be necessary to identify

Notice to loges. him. And should the Grand Secretary become satisfied that such person is an impostor, it shall be his duty to notify all the lodges within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge of the fact.—1869, 103.

INCORPORATION.

487. The incorporation of a subordinate lodge by the Does not change relations. Legislature does not affect the relation existing between the Grand Lodge and said subordinate.—1878.

INFIDEL.

488. An Entered Apprentice found to be an infidel Should be tried. should be tried according to the forms laid down in the Code.—1891, 53.

INFORMALITY.

489. May be waived by action of the accused, and Waived. the presumption follows that all the necessary steps were taken.—1880, 43.

INITIATE, INITIATION.

- 490. The welfare and future usefulness of the initiate Impression on. may be dependent upon the manner in which our infinite truths are made known.—1890, 17.
- 491. Not more than five Masons can be made at a Number at a meeting. This is a part of the common law of Masonry, and, of course, refers to the initiation of candidates into the Entered Apprentice degree.—1890, 12; Reg. 142.

INQUIRY.

492. A brother has the right to ask that a committee Into character. be appointed to inquire into rumors, etc., affecting his character.—See Reg. 188.

INSANE.

493. A brother who is adjudged insane is not amen. Not amenable. able to Masonic process, and can not be suspended for non-payment of dues.—1884, 11.

INSTALLATION.

494. The installation ceremony is part of the "labor" Is lodge labor. of the lodge; it is therefore improper to perform same while the lodge is called from "labor to refreshment."

—1889, 18.

After each 495. Elective officers should be re-installed after each election.—1891, 51.

who may confer P. M. deg. gree, and who can be present at the conference of that degree, can act when requested so to do by the Master, and the officers so installed would be entitled to fill their offices in the lodge.—1891, 57; Reg. 757.

Applies to plicable to a chartered lodge. The same regulation must [under x, 1, 6; xi, 15] apply to a lodge under diswhose officers pensation. The officers of a lodge under dispensation must be regularly installed. The Past Master's degree Every Master must be conferred as a part of regular installation of a Master. It follows, that without the conference of this degree upon the Master of any lodge, whether under charter or under dispensation, he could not be installed.

—1891, 58.

498. The Master selected by the Grand Lodge [or All Masters Grand Master] and acting in his name as fully as one install'd, wh'ther of lodge U.D. elected by the lodge, possesses all the qualifications and should be intrusted with all the ceremonies appertaining to the proper and complete discharge of the duties Or under charded at his hands. If the lodge should receive a charter it would be necessary that, before the same per-

Reasons for it. son could act as Master, he should be installed. To hold that he need not be installed as Master under a dispensation, is to hold that a Master may be Master for a year or longer, and confer the Master's degree upon candidates, and invest them with all the rights and privileges of Master Masons, and then, when called to the Master's station by vote of the lodge, or by designation of the Grand Lodge, to declare that he has not been a Master at all, never having been properly installed as such, or invested with that portion of the installation ceremonies known as the P. M. degree.—1891, 57, 58.

499. When an officer is installed he must assume the When official duties of his office, and his predecessor is no longer an duty assumed. officeholder.—1891, 52.

500. The right to install his successor is as much a

prerogative* of a Master as is the right to perform any Who installs master. other of the functions of his office.—1890, 11.

501. The act of a lodge in the elections of officers is ' Election vests an inchoate† act; it confers no authority, but it does vest a right; when, therefore, he who is clothed with the right shall exercise that right, the act which the law requires to be done on a certain day is consummated, and the authority, the right to claim which was conferbestowed; red by election, is, by installation, fully bestowed .-1890, 18.

502. It is not to be understood that the right to in- Subsists how stallation subsists indefinitely; on the contrary, except when unavoidably deferred longer, it will abate at the next regular meeting unless a particular day has been appointed for the installation, in which event, subject to the exception just mentioned, it will lapse on that day. Nor must the inability from its nature be continuous; Right how lost. the right is one which must be presently exercised, else, by non-user, it will be lost, and that for the reason that it was conferred for the good of the lodge, and with it was coupled the duty of using it; and for the further reason that the Grand Secretary should be informed, Gr. Secretary notified. and the lodge has the right to know, who are or will be its officers as well as the right to their service.—1890, 19; also Reg. 221.

503. The Master-elect is not the Master until he is Not Mas till installed. installed; after his installation he should appoint the Deacons, and after the installation of all the other offi- Appoints Deacers elected, the Deacons should be charged. All this should be done on the day fixed for elections, in order On day fixed. that the Constitution (xi, 16) may be literally and promptly complied with.—1885, 17; 1888, 18; Reg. 502.

504. A Master elect, against whom charges are pend- Stopped by ing, should not be installed until they are disposed of; red or prospecbut he is entitled to a speedy trial. If charges are about' to be preferred notice should at once be given, and they When tried.

^{*}It is "prerogative" because he is Master, and no one can take his place without his consent until his successor is fully inducted into the office of Master. †An act recently begun or incomplete.

should be preferred not later than the next regular meeting.—1888, 19, 20.

505. The officers of a lodge may be installed in public, In public. by consent of the Grand Master, except the Master, P. M. degree who must receive the Past Master's degree, as "a necessary.

essary part of the installation ceremonies," in private. The lodge may then adjourn* for the public installation of the others, having first obligated them in the lodge, and meet again to close after the officers have taken their stations [in tyled lodge].—1888, 15.

Proxy or unwilling, void. proxy, and against his will, but the difficulty presents itself that if so installed into an office that he had previously filled, though the installation would be void, the brother would hold over until his successor was elected and installed.—1893, 38.

Tights of Warden, and proclamation made to that effect, is entitled to the office if he presents himself within a reasonable time for installation.—1888, 15.

New lodge work shall preside and order a ballot by the brethren present for the officers other than the Master, Wardens and Deacons, and that the brethren so chosen be installed.—1892, 63.

Gr. lodge of- Grand Lodge officers are installed.—Reg. 742.

INVESTIGATION.—See Committees.

Candidate can not demand.—Reg. 139, 140.

JEALOUSY.—See Lodge.

JUDGMENT.—See Finding.

Lodge best 509. The lodge is the best court to pass judgment on the facts.—1873, 43.

JUNIOR WARDEN.—See Wardens.

^{*}This does not mean call-off, or close, as an installation is "work" which can not be done except in a lodge.—Reg. 74, 494.

JURISDICTION.

510. The jurisdiction of a lodge over a candidate ex- over canditends to a point half way between it and the nearest lodge, such point to be ascertained on an air line from lodge to lodge.—1876, 20; Reg. 512.

511. Application for membership or initiation must Over applibe to the nearest lodge, unless that lodge gives unanimous consent, distance to be computed by the usual traveled route. Subordinate lodges who violate are accountable for fees and dues to the lodge possessing the proper jurisdiction.—1871, 18. Reg. 785.

a point equidistant between them. A lodge (except in towns where there are several lodges) receiving petition and conferring the degrees upon a person living nearer another, without the unanimous recommendation of the lodge whose jurisdiction is invaded, is liable to the latter for the fees. Neither natural obstructions, such as a river, nor personal preference of the petitioner, can change the constitutional provisions on the subject.—1889, 17.

513. The jurisdiction depends on the distance from Residence, to the candidate's place of residence to the lodge-room limits.

[1881, 46], and not to the corporate limits of an incorporated town, except in cities where there are more Exceptions. than one lodge.—1881, 63.

514. The jurisdiction of the Louisville lodges is concurrent. If one of them gives unanimous consent by ballot, properly certified, a lodge in another place can act upon the petition of one residing in Louisville.—1891, 51.

515. Residence, not citizenship, determines the jurisdiction of lodges. The lodge has the right to receive
a petition for initiation from a party bona fide a resident,
within the territorial jurisdiction of the lodge. County
lines are not regarded in determining jurisdictions of
lodges. A mere temporary sojourner in a lodge jurisdiction is not a bona fide resident therein.—1891, 56.

Doctrine nec gress of Masonry, to prevent difficulties, heart-burnings, strife and confusion. Its assertion is sanctioned by the very necessities that have arisen for its promulgation in the well-being and orderly government of the Craft in each jurisdiction, and to prevent confusion among the workmen.—1888, 66.

After election. petitioner, elected him to take the Entered Apprentice Request another to confer degree. The petitioner afterwards being absent in Missouri on temporary business, the Kentucky lodge may request a lodge in Missouri to confer the degree. The request should bear seal of the lodge, and be accompanied by a certificate under seal showing his election to take the degree.—1889, 19. The identity being fully established.—1889, 75.

Length of reslong a petitioner shall reside within the jurisdiction of a lodge before he can petition that lodge. A lodge can receive a petition from any resident within its jurisdiction without regard to the length of such residence.—
1886, 24; Reg. 515.

Over rejected, loses jurisdiction over him upon his removal to another State, and in his efforts to become a Mason he must be governed by the laws governing that jurisdiction.—
1886, 24.

520. The doctrine of "perpetual jurisdiction" is not held in Kentucky over rejected material.—1892, 11, 15, 55.

Over E. A., tered Apprentice degree, and having conferred it, retains that jurisdiction until it shall waive it in a legal

And non-res- manner.* And this, too, notwithstanding the person,
after initiation, may have removed into the territorial
jurisdiction of another lodge. And the same principle
will be adhered to as between a lodge in Kentucky and
Other States. one in another jurisdiction. It follows, therefore, that

^{*}Plainly because, in Kentucky, he thereby became a member.

a lodge in Mississippi, having had jurisdiction to confer said degree and having conferred it, retains jurisdiction to the extent of conferring the other degrees until it Demitor waiver shall waive it by issuing demit, or giving consent to the Kentucky lodge to confer them.—1889, 21.

- 522. The law of lodge jurisdiction applies to non- Over unaffiliations desiring membership as fully as to applicants for initiation. Unless such lodge waives its jurisdiction Waiver, a petition for membership must be addressed to the nearest lodge.—1877, 14.
- 523. A simple waiver of jurisdiction of a lodge over a petitioner for initiation or membership, living within its jurisdiction, is not valid. The unanimous consent, Unanimous, under the seal of the lodge, must be given.—1876, 20.
- 524. A lodge subject to the Grand Lodge of Ken-Effect of waiver tucky having waived its jurisdiction for that purpose, a candidate may petition for initiation, or a Mason for affiliation, in a lodge of another jurisdiction.—
 1890, 13.
- 525. The consent of the neighboring lodges, whose given to new jurisdiction would be affected by the creation of the new lodge, could not be dispensed with; that when a Defunct lodge, lodge forfeited or surrendered its charter its jurisdiction lapsed, not to the Grand Lodge, but to the lodges nearest to it, and that they control the territory precisely as if the extinct lodge had never existed.—1886, 61.
- 526. This Grand Lodge claims and maintains for its Overmembers. subordinate lodges inalienable and exclusive jurisdiction over its members.—1879, 73.
- 527. There is a connection existing between a lodge No lodge can and its members which no other lodge has the power to annul.—1879, 73.
- 528. A lodge does not lose its penal jurisdiction over Penal, over a brother by granting a demit, so long as he remains in its geographical jurisdiction.—1878, 6.
- 529. The lodge having issued a demit to a brother, After leaving and he having moved beyond the jurisdiction of the lodge, it has no right to try him for an offense committed after the date of his demit. This responsibility rests Who has it.

alone upon the lodge within whose jurisdiction he now resides, and this lodge alone can try him.—1886, 23.

Over Masons fenses committed by any Mason under its jurisdiction, apply and must be enforced, whether the offense be At home or committed in this State or elsewhere. A Mason under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky can not escape the punishment prescribed for his offense, by commission of the offense outside of this jurisdiction.

—1891, 62.

Trial without 531. The action of any tribunal in a case of which it has no jurisdiction is null.—1887, 13.

Law suit. 532. The members of a lodge had a law-suit in regard to a contested right of way, and, after decision by court, the controversy was brought up in lodge for Ma
Not Masonic sonic trial. Held—The lodge had no jurisdiction of the case whatever. A law-suit is not a Masonic offense.

Land tenures, A Masonic lodge has no more jurisdiction over land tenures and easements than it has over the probate of

wills, or the granting of divorces. Keep out of the No law suits courts if you can, but don't take your law-suits into your lodges.—1892, 8.

Ceded to Tennessee, etc. - Reg. 429.

JURISPRUDENCE.

533. McCorkle's Jurisprudence* has been approved McCorkle's. by the Grand Lodge, yet do not regard such approval as absolutely binding upon the lodges and brethren. It is simply like Mackey's and other good works—a valuable guide. The advantage in McCorkle's work is that it was prepared with special reference to Kentucky "rule and practice."—1879, 79.

LABOR .- See Work.

LANGUAGE.

534. A candidate for the Second degree was rejected, Unbecoming. and then called for a demit, but used so much unbecom-

^{*}It is now obsolete as to Kentucky and out of print. Bro. McCorkle was Grand Secretary from 1854 to 1875, and died in office.

ing language that the lodge would not grant the request at the time. Held—That the right thing would have been to prefer charges and expel the brother; but if no charges were against him, and he was clear of the books, the lodge was compelled to grant him a demit.—1881, 21.

LAWS.

535. Laws are made for our government and ought to be observed. The evasion or breaking of a single statute, by a single person, often disarranges the best laid plans, throws the machinery of government out of gear, and causes friction and serious trouble that would be avoided if the law had been complied with. Our Not oppressive, laws are not oppressive, but are reasonable; they have been tested by experience and use, have been made known in convenient shape and attention directed to Made known; them on sundry occasions, so that there is no excuse for ignorance, therefore they must be observed. It is also To be enforced. the duty of the Grand Master to enforce them. — 1893, 16, 38.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

536. That leave of absence [at Grand Lodge meet-written and ings must] be given in writing on the blanks, and not be valid until countersigned [by Grand Secretary], which will insure a proper entry and credit.—1890, 33, 56.

LECTURE.—LECTURERS.

Custodians may appoint.—Reg. 213-217. How appointed. 537. Subordinate lodges are directed to refuse to hear lectures or receive work from itinerant or traveling lecturers, and this Grand Lodge will hold them strictly to Penalty.

account in violating this resolution.—1870, 68.

538. Any subordinate lodge or Master in this juris- Recommending diction furnishing credentials in favor of such traveling lecturers [to go into and lecture in another jurisdiction without permission from proper authorities therein, see Reg. 537 above], should be considered as violating the Violates law. fundamental law of this jurisdiction, and thereby ren-

dering themselves amenable to such punishment as Masonic usage and law requires.—1870, 68.

LETTERS.

To Gr. Mas. Secretary should state name and number of the writer's lodge. Hours are often spent in looking up those matters where minutes would suffice to answer the questions propounded.—1888, 18.

540. All letters to the Grand Master asking an offi-For Gr. M.'s cial opinion or decision should be under the seal of the lodge.—1892, 8.

Essentials. 541. Always give name, number and postoffice of lodge (with county) in writing.—1881, 18.

542. Letters from the Grand Secretary concerning Answered how. accounts with lodges or other business must be promptly answered.—1881, 18.

543. In sending money do not fail to write a letter Containing showing from whom and for what purpose it was sent.

—1881, 18.

Read in lodge. Official communications from Grand Secretary to be read in open lodge.—Reg. 206.

LIBERTY.

Personal, given up for common good. But each individual surrenders some of his personal rights for the protection and benefits, real or supposed, vouched to him by the combined authority. I am avouched the immunities of an American citizen, and in turn am held to obey the laws of my country. I am avouched the privileges of a Mason so long as I acknowledge the Grand Lodge of Kentucky as my sovereign in Masonic matters.—1889, 28.

LIBRARY.—See Committee, Reg. 200, 201.

LIFE MEMBERS.

545. A by-law of a lodge placing an assessment,* for Expost facto. any purpose, upon free members who have become such before it was passed, is invalid. Their life mem-vested rights. bership was a vested right which the lodge could not take away from them.—1888, 19. No amendment to a by-law can be adopted which tends to deprive life By-law can most deprive of members of privileges which were completely vested rights. in them prior to the adoption of such amendment.—
1881, 60.

546. A clause in the by-laws making members life Made conditionally or spemembers on certain conditions, does not prevent the cially. lodge from making a life member of some brother for special reasons.—1878, 5.

LIMITATION.—See Charges, Offense, Petition.

LODGE.

Lodge may close its doors to non-affiliated.—Reg. Unaffiliated ex-

547. It is not necessary to open a Master's lodge in Opening and order to open or close a lodge in a lower degree.— closing.

548. After a lodge is closed it can not be called from closed, can't labor to refreshment without opening it again.—1880,

549. Every Master's lodge is closed until the next closedtill when regular communication, unless sooner called together in case of emergency. Lodges of Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft Masons are closed without date.—
1888, 18.

550. No lodge can be prosperous where discord, Lack of prosenvy or jealousy is found, or where the officers and members are ignorant of the symbolism and jurisprudence of the Order, or where full investigation is not made into the moral character and fitness of every petitioner.—1870, 17.

^{*}This does not refer to the Home assessment, over which lodge by-law can have no control, but to assessment for lodge purposes.

Degrees out degrees of Masonry out of time and in violation of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, the charter of said lodge shall be arrested by the Grand Master.—1868, 68.

552. Admitting to membership, without a demit, mem-

Admit'g with- bers of another lodge, the lodge so acting becomes reout demit, Responsible for sponsible to the other lodge for any and all dues they dues.

owe it.—1875, 73.

Manages its 553. A subordinate lodge has a right to manage its own affairs. own [financial] affairs in its own way.—1873, 45.

Consolidated candidate for initiation elected in one of the lodges belodges candidates. fore consolidation, but not initiated, may be initiated in
the consolidated lodge, if there is no objection.—1887, 15.

Appeals for aid. 555. Lodges and brethren appealing for aid must have consent of Grand Master. Reg. 11.

When charter fire, and is granted formal authority to continue work as a lodge (the dispensation reciting that charter has been burned), is not a lodge under dispensation, under the general acceptation as such, but is to all intents and purposes a chartered lodge, its charter never having been surrendered or revoked.—1885, 17.

Last charter which time the lodge has again come into possession of the charter which was mislaid. Held—That the lodge has a right to continue work under the charter recovered.—1887, 17.

Settling lodge though it has the right to do so, to settle disputes in regard to money matters between subordinate lodges and their members where no moral principle is involved and no flagrant injustice has been done.—1885, 44.

559. A lodge can hold a fair to raise money to pay Fairs, raffles. incumbrance on its lodge-room, but a raffle should not be permitted in connection with any entertainment controlled by a Masonic lodge. — 1886, 21.

In public, when. 560. A Masonic lodge shall not appear in public upon any frivolous or unmasonic occasion.—1892, 9.

561. A lodge can appear in public on the festival Festal days days and at the funeral of a Master Mason without dispensation.—1878, 7; see Reg. 816.

562. Funds raised for a lodge by festivals, suppers, Festivals, supers., are property of the lodge and should be paid over to the Treasurer by the committee having the festival in charge.—1888, 16.

563. The Grand Master may grant permission to a Change meet-lodge to change its place of meeting, but when the removal will affect the jurisdiction of another lodge, the consent of that lodge must first be obtained. The Grand Master has no authority to take territory from one lodge, without its consent, and bestow it upon another.—1887, 11. See Meeting Place.

564. The incorporation of a lodge by the Legisla- Incorporated. ture does not affect the relation between the Grand Lodge and said subordinate. – 1878, 5.

565. A lodge not chartered under the laws of the Suit for dues. State can not sue in the civil courts for unpaid dues. Its remedy is by suspending the derelict brother, and if he Refusal to pay persists in leaving his dues unpaid, when financially able to pay them, he may be expelled.—1888, 16.

566. The lodge alone can fix the degree of punishment ment.—1887, 31.

Reduced below seven members a lodge becomes Reduced below defunct. See Reg. 828.

LODGES DEFUNCT.

567. Inactive, dormant lodges are an injury not alone Injures Craft. to their individual membership, but to the great body of Masonry as well.—1889, 12.

568. When the charter of a lodge is under arrest members' stabers are upon the same footing as though a surrender had taken place; to all intents such persons are non-affiliates; other lodges, when so satisfied, need no dispensation to permit them to become members. [But they must obtain demits from Grand Secretary.—Reg. 296.]—1879, 26.

Members' sta-surrendered, stands in the light of a demitted Mason.

He can affiliate only by regular petition and the lapse of one lunar month for inquiry.—1877, 13.

Settlements. Grand Secretary agent to settle affairs. See Agent. Charter. Grand Master may arrest charter.—Reg. 439.

LODGE PROPERTY.

Gr. M. can't to give away the property of the Grand Lodge, hence a request from a subordinate lodge that a set of jewels belonging to the Grand Lodge be presented to it was denied for want of authority.—1887, 10.

LODGE ROOM.—See Meeting Place.

571. If lodges can, without too heavily burdening Use by others. themselves, possess their own altar and fireside, they should do it. But very many of our lodges can not attain to that desirable position, and the matter [whether their lodge room should be used for any other than Masonic purposes] must be left to the lodges themselves.—
1877, 64.

Joint occu- a Masonic lodge, all Masonic paraphernalia should be removed after the lodge meeting is concluded.—1891,

573. Joint occupancy of rooms for lodge purposes is

Not forbidden. not forbidden by the Grand Lodge. It would not be
improper or unlawful for a lodge to permit a Royal

Lodge controls. Arch Chapter to use the lodge rooms. The lodge is
the proper judge of what use shall be made of rooms
belonging to it or under its control.—1891, 58, 59.

574. When two lodges meet in the hall of one, the question of how much rent shall be charged the one by the other, is a matter to be determined by contract, the laws of the land, and the equity of the case.—
1873, 46.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

575. All regulations applicable to charted lodges are Governed as equally binding upon lodges under dispensation [except chartered lodge. Exceptions. it can not elect officers.—Reg. 580.]—1875, 58.

576. The nearest lodge must give consent to the es- Consent to establishment of a lodge U. D., else the Grand Master is powerless in the premises, according to our Constitution.—1879, 27. See Reg. 525.

577. No new lodge shall be formed without the consent of all lodges whose jurisdiction would be affected thereby.—1878; 1886, 61.

578. Petitions for lodges U. D. must show that the Petitioners. petitioners are non-affiliated Masons; it must be recom- Recommendamended by the nearest lodge. -1866, 44.

579. Initiated or admitted members of lodges U. D. Members' have the same rights and privileges as those named in the dispensation, upon all legitimate business before the lodge. - 1871, 17.

580. Lodges under dispensation can not elect offi- Can not elect cers on the 27th of December as chartered lodges do. Their principal officers are selected by the Grand Master or the Grand Lodge, on account of their ability to do the work of Masonry, and hold their positions until the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge, at which time the dispensation expires. A lodge U. D. can not elect offices "for the ensuing year, and until their successors are elected and installed," for its dispensation, unless renewed, will not remain in force so long.—1887, 11. See Reg. 739.

581. Lodges under dispensation asking for charters Books, etc. should send their dispensation, with books containing copy of commission of Grand Master, and by-laws written in a legible hand, as the law directs.—1893, 47.

582. Injustice might be done older lodges and to this Hownumber-Grand Lodge [if numbers of dead lodges were given to new ones]. It is better for all that the numbers follow in the order of institution of new lodge or the issuance of the charter.—1893, 32.

MASON.

An affix to E. 583. The word Mason may properly follow the words Entered Apprentice or Fellow Craft.—1865, 72.

584. A Master Mason can not be deprived of his Right to trial. rights excepts by due trial and conviction.*—1879, 27.

585. Every Mason should strive, by earnest study and Tostudy, obey; strict observance, to understand all the work, to know Exemplify his whole duty, ready to exemplify forms and principles, and not permit the want thereof to prove a stumbling-block.—1870, 16.

586. Intelligent Masons can only be created in the How qualified. same way that professional or thoroughly scientific men are made—by reading, etc.—1870, 17.

No distinctions. 587. There are no distinctions [i. e., favored class] among Masons.—1865, 12.

MASONIC BURIAL LOT.

588. The Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home and May be used by the Home. Infirmary may use the Grand Lodge lot in Cave Hill Cemetery for the purpose of sepulture of the remains of such of the inmates of said institution as may die there.—1871, 81.

MASONIC HOME JOURNAL.

Subscription upon the brotherhood.—1883, 40, 52; 1884, 66, 67; 1888, 27, 61.

Decisions pub. decisions, deemed proper to be published in the Masonic Home Journal, that the Craft may be informed concerning the construction of the law, etc., by which it must be governed; and all Masons requested to subscribe for it.—1883, 52.

Official organ. 591. The Masonic home Journal [is] the official organ of this Grand Lodge.—1885, 84.

^{*}Except suspension for non-payment of dues, for which notice and opportunity to be heard is prescribed.—See Reg. 966.

MASONIC WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' HOME.

592. The Home's resources were not devoted to em-Use of resourbelish the chapel at the Home.—1885, 77. [A former beneficiary was introduced to Grand Lodge.—1885, 82.]

Why erected

- 593. The Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home was erected and dedicated for the purpose of providing a home for the widows and orphan children of such of our needy deceased brethren as remained faithful to their Masonic obligations. In order to transmit the protection and benefits of the Home to wife and child, the individual must faithfully discharge, as far as lies in his power, all his Masonic obligations, even unto death. [i. e., continue member in good standing.]—1892, 11.
- 594. Our Masonic Home is the best practical exemplification of genuine Freemasonry—the only visible, tangible landmark of the principles and policy of the Tangible Masonry.

 Tangible Masonry.

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How lodge may be opened to dedicate window.— Chapel window Reg. 309.

- 595. It is the duty of the Grand Master and Grand Gr. Officers, Wardens to attend one meeting of the Home Directors duty. annually, and report to the Grand Lodge.—1884, 68.
- 596. Certificates of life membership* should be issued Gr. Lodge life to this Grand Lodge—one for each \$100 thus paid—

 thereby entitling this Grand Lodge to fifty votes for Votes for dithe Board of Directors, and to cast which she should designate her own proxy.—1877, 53, 54.
- 597. The Grand Master and Grand Wardens are au- By G. M. and thorized proxy of the Grand Lodge to cast her vote in view of the aforesaid certificate of life membership.—
 1877, 54.
- 598. The Grand Lodge elect annually a board of Or board as seven, who shall cast the vote of the Grand Lodge, in

^{*}Issued October 19, 1880, and is in the Grand Secretary's office.

person or by proxy, for a Board of Directors, at the annual election thereof. +- 1879, 63, 77.

599. Rules for admission of children approved by Rules of admission: the Grand Lodge.-1885, 76-81.

- a. Applications for admission to the Home shall be Application by made by some Masonic Lodge or other Masonic body in Kentucky, stating the name, age and condition of Statements. the proposed beneficiary, accompanied by the recommendation of said lodge or Masonic body, signed by the Secretary thereof, and authenticated by its seal.
- b. No child shall be received into the Home before a Authority for. majority of the Board of Directors, or, in urgent cases, of the Executive Committee, shall decide upon the application.
- c. No orphan shall be received into the Home under three years of age nor over thirteen; nor shall any be Age limit. Financial con- admitted who have adequate means of support, nor any dition. half orphans whose living parent is able to support On payment, them, unless by special agreement, and upon the payment of a certain sum, which may be agreed upon with the Board of Directors.
- d. Orphan children of unsound mind, deaf and dumb, Mind and body or either, contaminated by any contagious disease at the conditions. time of application, shall not be admitted; and, if ad-Misstatements. mitted by misstatement or concealment of any of these facts, which, if known, would have made them inadmissible, the same shall be discharged, and sent back by Penalty. the Superintendent and Committee on Reception and Discharge.

Non-affiliates family not entitled to admission.— Unaffiliated. See Reg. 691.

600. More care and consideration should be observed Recommenda- by lodges is recommending applicants for admission into the Home. Orphan children of unsound mind, deaf and dumb, or either contaminated by any contagious disease at the time of application, shall not be admitted, yet, by the misstatements or concealment of some of these facts, unworthy applicants have been re-

tion should be Wherein not ceived. While the same regulation authorizes the return of all such to their lodges, such authority is seldom enforced, and thus serious detriment to the Home is incurred, and the rights of worthy applicants to the Wrongs others, same extent virtually ignored. Such improper recommendations are not only violations of good faith, but Violates faith, are often productive of the worst of consequences, and can not be too severely condemned. The true interests of the Home would be better conserved by a rigid enforced.

Rules should be enforced.

601. A physician's certificate as to the physical con-Physician's dition of the applicant is very properly required as a condition precedent to the admission of any beneficiary.

—1888, 74. Should be so amended as to exclude the victims of the opium habit from the benefits of the Exclude whom. Home.—1888, 74.

602. Circumstances, such as sickness or bodily injury, Misfortunes no that would prevent the candidate from advancement, and this without laches on his part, ought not to debar him from the privileges which he would otherwise have secured. Especially does it so appear in Kentucky, In re E. A.'s where Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts pay Grand Lodge dues and Home assessments. But the Home Directors ought to exercise its judgment in such Board settles it. unusual cases.—1893, 7.

603. The Directors are requested to permit lodges of visits in vathe State to take such number of children of the Home as each lodge can care for during the vacation months, the lodges applying to pay all expenses of transportation, board and clothing for the term—the lodges indicating at the election the number of children they will take, and report to the Home Superintendent.—1891, 119, 122.

604. When discharged from the Home, return to the Returned to lodge is considered important so far as female wards lodges. are concerned; and any dereliction of duty on the part Neglects, crimof the lodge, in providing the most favorable social sur-

roundings for them, when thus trained and educated for useful positions in society, is criminal.—1888, 74.

Beneficiaries having means. truth in applications.

74, 75.

605. Beneficiaries have been admitted into the Home who were not entirely destitute of the means of sup-Good faith and port. Good faith on the part of the lodge applying requires that the facts should be truthfully reported to the Directors, and if the applicant is then admitted said lodge should deposit with the Board whatever estate may belong to said ward or beneficiary, with the Not the prin- agreement that the principal shall remain intact as a fund, to be returned when such ward or beneficiary is But interest, discharged, the accruing interest alone appropriated toward their support. In all such negotiations, as well Good faith, al- as in all applications for admission into the Home, perfect good faith should at all times be observed.—1888,

606. Lodges of Kentucky are recommended to give Festival day one day of each festival for pecuniary aid to the Home. -1883, 40.

607. The recommendation of the Grand Master, con-St. John's Day, cerning St. John's Day as a Home jubilee, is heartily The Grand Lodge adopted a similar concurred in. recommendation in 1873 at the suggestion of the Grand Observance Master, and, so far as observed by the lodges, has been a profitable. profit to the Home and pleasure to the Craft.—1879, 63.

Assessment constitutional.

608. The Grand Lodge, with much unanimity, established the constitutionality of the assessment law in favor of the Masonic Home. Lodges which opposed the assessment law (as they had a perfect right to do) based their action upon the alleged unconstitutionality

Grand Lodge of the law. The Grand Lodge has been properly made decided it. by all parties the tribunal to decide the question. There No higher court is no higher court in Freemasonry. No lodge will be

so recusant to the principles upon which she holds her Refusal to pay. charter and property, as to refuse to pay the assessment, but all will cheerfully acquiesce in the noblest act of charity ever undertaken by a Grand Lodge of Freemasons.—1877, 66.

609. It was mandatory upon every lodge in this juris-

diction to open a poll for the purpose of voting on the Assessment proposition for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans' vote. Home.—1877.

In 1877 a \$1.00 assessment went into effect.— The first as-(see proceedings 1876, 42; 1877, 58.) This was paid sessment. for five years, then a fifty cents per capita was made. - Second assess-1881, 65-69. Ordered to be voted on by lodges and by them confirmed .- 1882, 33. Increased to \$1.00, which Third assessincluded payment for Masonic Home Journal.—1891, 110, 120; 1892, 21, 23, 35.

Assessment to the Home is inalienable.-Reg. 34. Inalienable.

Certain bonds of the Masonic Temple Company, Temple Company bonds. amounting to \$78,500, donated to the Home.-1874, Temple Company stock Temple Company stock. 26-28, 45; also 1879, 66. given and transferred. Conditions.-1890, 57.

Thirty per cent. of dues donated 1870; repealed. Thirty per ct. -1874, 45.

610. Commencing with the session of 1875, there is \$3,720 donation, hereby appropriated and donated to the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home and Infirmary the sum of \$3,720, to be paid annually to the Board of Directors of the Home by the Grand Treasurer out of any surplus funds in his hands.—1874, 45. To be paid to the Secretary of the Home, to be used by the Home for the support of the same.—1879, 66.

611. The amount of that annual appropriation re- Nota claim, maining unpaid is not an indebtedness against this Grand Lodge, still it ought yet to be paid, if that can But should be be done without detriment. The Home is our greatest paid. charity, and to increase by all laudable means its efficiency and power for good should be the earnest aim of this Grand Lodge and every Mason.—1889, 31.

612. Instead of receiving \$3,720 from the Grand Lost to the Lodge that amount was lost, making a difference to the Home, Home of \$7,440, besides \$1,285 paid for legal expenses, aggregating \$8,525. The Grand Lodge was asked to repay the Home \$3,720 paid out as above, which is believed to be just. Ordered, That the sum of \$3,720 Ordered re-paid be paid back to the Home.—1884, 67, 68; 1885, 77.

MASONRY.

Not sectarian, 613. Masonry is non-sectarian, non-sectional, non-sectional or political.

Must not be his lodge connection to further his political ambition.—

1892, 10.

Consists of 3 three degrees: Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason. These are so closely connected and Form a system. interwoven, and present such intimate and direct gradation, as to form a complete system. This system should be considered in its entirety.—1889, 26.

Principle is honor. They are the salt of the earth; "but if the salt has lost its savor, wherewith shall it be salted?"—
1872, 27.

Non-political. 616. The avoidance of political subjects is a cardinal Law abiding. principle of Masonry. Obedience to the law and law-ful government is inculcated by all Masonic teachings.

Observance required.

The introduction of one into Masonic councils and the contempt by Masons of the other, are equally violative of Masonic principles and usage. Infidelity to either man or government is to be discountenanced by all Ma-When resort sons. If the general sentiment and moral opinion of Masons are ineffectual, then the only remedy is to be found in the civil law, which furnishes ample punish-

ment for both. - 1862, 33. Masonry does not conflict with religion.—Reg. 848. Religion. 617. We are taught among the first lessons in Ma-Unity and love sonry that it unites, upon the principles of brotherly its principles. love, men of every country, sect, and opinion. Our an-Charity unlim- cient brethren wisely determined that no political or religious distinctions should ever limit its charity. Religion of is peculiar to no country, but common to all. It recog-Mas'nry is faith nizes no religion but that unfaltering trust in the Omin God. nipotent Being, who created the world and all things therein—the Grand Architect of the Universe—by whose unerring square the blocks we offer must at last

be tried, and who will reward us according to our merits.—1862, 14.

618. Fraud and falsehood can not be countenanced by Masonry. It teaches honesty and truth.—1879, 26. Fraud, falsehood, honesty, truth.

619. It is not the province of Masonry to protect or State offend-punish her votaries who may be offenders against the State. State, but she leaves them where they belong—to the civil authorities.—1862, 13.

MASTER.

It is not inappropriate to suggest that the name of the principal officer of a lodge is *Master*, not Worshipful Master. See Ancient Charges, Constitution Grand Lodge of Kentucky, 1818 (Art. x, Sec. 4; Sec. 16, p. 30, this book.) The prefix "Worshipful" is a title of respect given him by others, and not the name of his office, hence it would be indelicate, as well as erroneous, for the Master to sign his name: "A—B—, Worshipful Master." It should be: "A—B—, Master."

620. No one is eligible to the office of Master who who eligible. has not served as a Warden in some regularly constituted lodge of Masons.—1876, 19.

621. No lodge should elect any brother, either as Who not to Master or Warden, unless he manifests such care and zeal for Masonry as to induce the belief that he can and will qualify himself to preside according to the laws and ancient usages of Masonry.—1873, 48.

622. If a brother wishes to prevent the installation Objection to of the Master elect he must do so at the proper time and in the proper place, which is in the lodge when the installing officer is about to install him; and his reasons for objecting must be in writing and be valid ones.—1873, 12.

623. In the absence of objection or charges a brother elected Master (if otherwise eligible) is entitled to be installed. And when installed his authority to preside When installover the lodge is complete, and his acts, within the complete. scope of that authority, are binding.—1889, 18.

624. It is necessary that a Master elect should have P. M. degree the Past Master's degree before installation; but if he has received the degree in a chapter it is not necessary Conferred in to confer it again or re-obligate him.—1877, 16; 1878, 5; 1888, 15. See also Past Master.

625. The Master of a lodge under dispensation is Of lodge U.D. entitled to the degree of Past Master. 1875, 58.

626. A regularly elected and installed Master of a Tenure.

lodged remains in office until his successor is duly elected Mere election and installed. The fact of his successor having been insufficient. elected does not qualify him to preside as Master until he has been duly installed.—1876, 19.

627. A Master may serve as many terms as the members of the lodge may elect him.—1876, 20. Re-election.

628. The Master of a lodge is Master until his successor is installed, and is guilty of Masonic offense if Tenure. Willful ab- he willfully absents himself from the lodge.—1886, 22.

629. A Master of a Masonic lodge can not habitually absent himself from the meetings of his lodge

Violates oath. without violation of his oath of office, and by so doing he lays himself open to censure, and becomes liable to suspension by the Grand Master.—1890, 14.

630. The Master, immediately after the election, shall Election re- cause the Secretary to report to Grand Secretary names port. of officers elected and appointed.—1890, 18.

631. The Master can not declare a by-law void, un-Can't annul a less unconstitutional, nor set them aside.—1878, 5. by-law, Order of business not subject to the Master's will. Or rules,

-Reg. 898.

632. The Master erred in deciding an amendment [to Error in decisthe by-laws] adopted, at the former meeting, when it had not been laid over as required by the by-laws; and Should be cor. he did right to avail himself of the earliest opportunity rected. of correcting an erroneous decision, by declaring the former action void.—1887, 12, 13.

633. The Master should require his lodge to obey the Requires lodge to obey Gr. M., mandate of the Grand Master; and upon refusal of its officers to submit to his decisions until reversed by the action of the Grand Lodge, to regard it as revolutionary Penalty. and take its charter into custody. - 1873, 59.

634. It is the right of the Master of the lodge [to fill Fills vacancies. vacancies in office of his lodge]. - 1879, 27. tem-po-re.- Reg. 735.

635. A Master has the right to congregate his lodge Convenes lodge whenever he deems an emergency requires it, and of Members no. this he is the sole judge. Each member should be duly notified as far as possible.—1879, 62.

- 636. The Master must sign the minutes of his lodge Sign minutes, [1867, 58] if "the Secretary has faithfully and truly recorded what was actually done."—Reg. 669, 917.
- 637. The Master, or presiding officer of a lodge, has Casting vote. the casting vote in case of a tie; but in no case has he two votes on any question that may come before his But one vote. lodge.—1872, 18, 90; 1886, 21.
- 638. The Master is the only officer exempt from dis-Lodge can't cipline by his lodge.—1877.
- 639. A lodge can try any of its officers, except the May try others. Master, for unmasonic conduct.—1878, 7.
- 640. Having raised him above his lodge and removed him from its penal jurisdiction, the law requires from a Full duty re-Master a full discharge of the duties of his high office.

 --1890, 147
- 641. The Master can not be suspended during his Can'tsuspend term of office for non-payment of dues. Such action is illegal, and, if done, does not deprive the Master of his right to sit in Grand Lodge as representative of his Rightin Gr. L. lodge. If, however, he fails to attend Grand Lodge, the Senior Warden, or, in his absence, the Junior Warden, or, in the absence of both, a representative duly chosen may sit.—1888, 19. See Wardens.
- 642. A Master of his lodge is exempt from trial during official term; but if interests of Masonry demand,
 Grand Master has a perfect right to suspend said Master, making him answerable to next Grand Lodge, and
 place Craft in charge of Senior Warden in the interim. And place under Sr. Warden.
- 643. The Grand Master has the right to suspend the Master of a subordinate lodge for cause, notwithstand- For cause. ing the opinion of the members of the lodge may be to Though members object.
- 644. Should the Master of a lodge be guilty of any Grand Master Masonic offense the Grand Master can suspend him from office, and upon the expiration of his term the When lodge lodge can then try him just as it would any other memher.—1889, 75.
 - 645. A Master suspended from office is merely de-

Suspended can't prived of the prerogatives as presiding officer. He is not amenable to trial by the lodge during the term for Retains mem-ber's rights. Which he was elected and installed. He is entitled to all rights of a member.—1891, 52.

When absent, Senior Warden (and in his absence the Junior Warden) is invested with all the rights, privileges and prerogative firms tives of the Master, and can perform all the duties of the Master as fully as the Master could do, were he Exceptions.* present.* He has precedence over any Past Master If absent who present; and in the absence of the Master and both Wardens the lodge can not be legally opened.—1876, 21. Unless a Past Master of that lodge be present.—xi, 20.

647. The law provides that in the absence of the Master, or in his inability to serve, his duties devolve Office transfers upon the Senior Warden, but gives to the Grand Master alone authority to transfer his office to another, and then only for cause.—1890, 14; Reg. 642.

Custodian of 648. He is the custodian of the charter, and can not delegate that duty to another.—1890, 14.

Requires Sec. pays lodge funds to the Treasurer, and is justified in resurspend him. moving a Secretary who persistently uses money to which he has not the shadow of a right.—1877, 17.

Master pro 650. A Master pro tem. should not draw the warrant for moneys appropriated by the lodge unless it be done during the meeting. His power ceases when that meeting is closed.—1888, 15.

Officers sho'ld study the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, and especially that part of the Constitution and Digest [now called Regulations] under the heads of Masters, Lodges, Secretary, Appeals, Records of Lodges and Forms of Documents.—1881, 18.

Appoints Deacons. The Master appoints the Deacons. See Deacons. —Reg. 220-223.

^{*}Except to install a Master, if he is not an actual Past Master-Reg. 761.

MASTER MASON.

652. A member of the Fraternity, to receive the full Receives full benefits of the Order, viz: The right to attend the lodge in all the degrees, to vote upon petitions, to vote for his officers, to hold office, to set in Grand Lodge, to receive Masonic burial, etc., must be a Master Mason. -1893, 7.

653. That his widow and orphans may receive the Family's right benefits of the Home he must be a Master Mason, in good standing at the time of his death. Only those who have assumed all the responsibilities and borne all the burdens are entitled to receive all the benefits of Freemasonry.—1893, 7; also Reg. 68, 69.

Officers must be Master Masons.—Reg. 738.

Officer must be.

MASTER'S LODGE.—See Lodge, Meetings, Quorum.

MEETINGS.*

654. "At the time for the regular meeting of the Quorum. lodge [subordinate], the Master or one of the Wardens being present with two other Master Masons, can a lodge of Master Masons be opened?" A lodge of Master Masons may be opened with this number.— 1875, 56; Reg. 826.

655. But one meeting can be held in one day. One only a day. 1879.

656. When a lodge closes at its stated communication Stated, closed it can not be opened again [the same day] to transact till when. business which belongs to that class that can only be transacted at a stated communication.—1878.

657. At a stated communication the lodge was first opened on the Third degree, business transacted, and the lodge was closed, the Master stating that there was no further business to come before it. A lodge of Fellow Crafts was then opened, and after the transac-

^{*&}quot;Lodge hours are, from March 25th to September 25th, between the hours of seven and ten; and from September 25th to March 25th, between the hours of six and nine."—Const., or Ill. of M., Gr. L. Ky., 1818, 66.

†Stated meeting is meant, because the Master may call a meeting [or "congregate the lodge"] at pleasure. See Reg. 656, 657.

If opened tion of business it was closed. After that a lodge of same day is Master Masons was again opened, and an appropriation of money was made. Had the lodge the right to open the second time and transact any business except such

Symbolic rea- as could be done at a called meeting? No. stitution was originally operative as well as speculative, and the ritual was made to govern operative Masons. The work was laid out by the Master, and the Craft having performed all the labor incumbent upon them for the day were discharged. Closing the lodge in speculative Masonry is emblematic of the closing of the day in operative, and the day's work having been completed, the Craft could not be required to perform extra work except in case of emergency, in which event Second meet the Master could call the Craft for that purpose.

ing same day.

second opening of the Master's lodge was virtually a called meeting, and they could only transact such business as could be done at a called meeting. priation, not having been made at a stated meeting, is void .- 1874, 47.*

MEETING PLACE.

658. A lodge may designate and change its place of May change, meeting at its own pleasure, from one place to another when, how. in the same neighborhood; but where a contemplated change would invade the territory of any other lodge, the consent of the Grand Lodge [or Grand Master] must be obtained before such change can be made.--1876, 21.

In a city.

bers notified.

659. It is not necessary to have a dispensation to move a lodge from one hall to another in a city or town, when the move does not change jurisdiction.— 1878.

660. A dispensation is not necessary to enable a sub-Dispensation ordinate lodge to change its place of meeting, if not interfering with other jurisdictions. It is a subject Whem mem- wholly within its own control, provided the members of said lodge be duly notified of the contemplated

^{*}Unless regularly called for that purpose and members notified.

removal at least one lunar month before the vote on removal is taken, and that a majority thereof concur in such removal.—1879, 27, 62; Reg. 849.

661. There is no law prohibiting a lodge holding its On first floor. meeting on the first floor. Where such is the case greater care is necessary than when the lodge-room is situated in the second or third story.—1890, 12.

MEMBERS, MEMBERSHIP.

662. The individual lodge is the sole judge as to the Lodge the qualification of its members.—1892, 8.

663. A brother can not sever his connection with a lodge unless, on proper application thereto, the same is granted. And if he removes into another jurisdiction, and receives the degrees in a regular manner from a demit. regular lodge, and then returns to this jurisdiction, it is competent for his lodge to receive and acknowledge him in such degree as they have satisfactory proof has been conferred on him—subject to such discipline as the lodge should impose on him for his irregular proceeding. The lodge that conferred the degree had no right to work on the brother without consent of his lodge, offending loge. and should be responsible for the fees.—1865, 72.

664. There is but one way for gaining membership Obtained how. in the subordinate lodge, to-wit: by petition and unanimous election through the ballot-box.—1875, 14.

MILEAGE.—See Representative.

MILITARY LODGES.

665. Kentucky does not claim jurisdiction over Ma-No claim over. sons residing in other States who were initiated in this State in traveling military lodges.—1871, 17.

MINISTERS.

666. The Constitution of the Grand Lodge provides Must pay fees. that no lodge shall confer the degree of Entered Apprentice for a less sum than ten dollars, nor the degrees

^{*}One was connected with the army in Mexico, under authority of the Grand Master.—1846, 6; continuance refused.—1846, 14.

of Fellow Craft or Master Mason for a less sum than A by-law ex- five dollars each; therefore the by-laws of any lodge empting void. exempting Ministers of the Gospel from the payment of fees for degrees, are unconstitutional.—1876, 20.

> 667. A clause in the by-laws of a lodge, setting forth that Ministers shall receive the degrees free, is in violation of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, and is therefore null and void .- 1878, 6.

Not exempt from assessment. See Reg. 36-38. Pay assessm't. Not free members by virtue of office. See Reg. Not free ex. officio. 402.

MINUTES.

668. When a just and true minute of the proceed-True record ings of a lodge is recorded by the Secretary, no amendment or question or act can be entertained or allowed which tends to erase or conform it to a state of facts not existing .- 1876, 21; Reg. 917.

669. The only question to be decided upon motion to Question on approve the minutes is, has the Secretary faithfully and approving. truly recorded what was actually done? If he has, the minutes should be approved and signed by the Master. -1875, 57.

> 670. When the minutes of a meeting are read, the only question is as to their correctness.—1879, 27.

Master signs when.

signs, when.

The Master must sign the minutes of his lodge [when pronounced correct].—Reg. 636, 669.

671. The best practice with reference to signing the minutes of the proceedings of a lodge is for the Master One presiding to sign them as soon as approved. The officer presiding at a meeting should sign the minutes of that meeting? but if his signature can not, for any reason, be obtained when minutes are "approved," the officer presiding may sign them .- 1887, 11.

672. The minutes of a lodge should be read before closing, and signed by the Master or acting Master. When read. This is not always practicable, and, unless the by-laws require otherwise, it may be deferred until the next meeting, which is the most convenient course. If left until the next meeting, then the officer presiding at that When defermeeting should sign the minutes.—1888, 19.

673. The journal of proceedings of the Grand Lodge Gr. L. indexed. shall be properly indexed .- 1879, 53. Printing of re- Printed when. ports, etc., may be commenced before Grand Lodge convenes.—Reg. 463.

MONTH ...

674. It is the sense of this Grand Lodge that the Masonic, is lunar, 28 days. month mentioned in Masonic law means a lunar month, and that a lunar month by usage and precedent is twenty-eight days.—1883, 43; 1891, 54.

MORAL LAW.

675. The moral law* is a Freemason's great pattern, Masonic standard. and the higher the standard, the purer the Masonry .-1879, 27.

MOTION.—See Rules appended to this volume.

676. A motion requires a second; but an amendment Seconding. to that motion may be entertained without receiving a second.†—1879, 27.

677. A motion that does not receive a second is not properly before the lodge, and can not be put upon the minutes.—1893, 6.

678. The Master has the right to declare a motion Master may out of order and decline to submit it to the lodge. From rule out. his decision there is no appeal except to the Grand Appeal lies to Grand L. Lodge.—1893, 6.

NEGRO LODGES.—See France, Grand Orient of.

NEW TRIAL.

679. After regular trial and acquittal, a new trial can After acquitnot be had because new testimony in the case has been discovered.—1866, 31.

^{*}Moral law is the will of God as the supreme moral ruler concerning the

character and conduct of responsible beings.

†Because the Master, being a member, in effect seconds it when he entertains it. This, however, is an exception which ought not to become a rule for general practice. A motion to amend is as certainly a motion as any other.

Grounds for. 680. The evidence not all being taken is sufficient reason for granting a new trial.—1878, 6.

Informality, vague evidence, etc., is grounds for new trial.—Reg. 358.

Authorized by discovery of new evidence material in the defense, although the action of the lodge has been approved by the Grand Lodge on appeal.—1880, 49.

682. A petition for a new trial should be addressed Petition for. to the Master, Wardens and Brethren; but if only addressed to the Master it should not prejudice the rights of the petitioner.—1873, 12.

Status on 683. When a new trial is granted, the status of the accused is the same as before conviction.—1879, 27.

Lodge grants, new trial, if there has been no appeal; but the Code says this must be done at the next stated meeting of the lodge after action was had. The grant of a new trial at a later date is void.—1887, 13.

685. Any member of the lodge has the right to ap-Right to move, peal, and, therefore, the right to move for a new trial; Guilty or in- and this whether the accused is adjudged innocent or guilty.—1884, 11.

Remedy, if re-flicted, a motion for a new trial is not in order. The remedy is appeal to the Grand Lodge.—1884, 11.

Effect of declaring trial irregular," it is equivalent, under the provisions of the Constitution, to remanding the case for a new Status of actrial, and the status of the accused is that of a member under charges, and he is not entitled to a demit until they are disposed of.—1884, 11.

NON-AFFILIATED.

688. A non-affiliated Mason is not eligible to election

Not eligible to or appointment as an officer of the Grand Lodge, or

office or committee. to serve on its committees.—1892, 11.

689. The non-affiliated are to be tried in the lodge

in whose jurisdiction the offense was committed. - By whom tried. 1871, 71.

690. Subordinate lodges are not authorized to make Not taxed by assessments or require payments from non-affiliated Masons residing in their jurisdiction.—1871, 18.

601. A demitted Mason (or one who was a member of a defunct lodge, and has not joined another since his lodge became dormant) is not entitled to any "privileges of Masonry" of right, although he may be suffered to visit a lodge a few times, and, by courtesy, may be Masonically buried. His family have no claims, Burial, or and can not hereafter be admitted to the Home, unless Admission to it shall appear that his demit, etc., is of recent date, and reasonable time for him to affiliate has not elapsed.— 1886, 11.

Lodge may close its doors to unaffiliated.—Reg. Visitation. 268.

602. Non-affiliation of long standing is a Masonic An offense. offense that is punishable by withholding the "rights and privileges" of the fraternity. It is cheating the Wherein an lodge and the fraternity out of that which is fairly their due—in moral and financial support. It is wronging the fraternity, the lodge, needy brethren and their distressed widows and orphans out of the aid which could be given without material injury to the person so withholding it.—1886, 11.

NON-PAYMENT.

693. It is not in accord with the spirit of Masonry, Right to be or principles of justice, that a brother should be cut off guilty. from the rights and privileges of our Order [for nonpayment of dues], without an opportunity to be heard in his own defense, however manifest his guilt may be. -- 1867, 58.

694. Suspension from the "rights and privileges of Penalty. Masonry" for the non-payment of dues, is a sentence approved by Grand Lodge.—1866, 31.

Non-payment of dues, without suspension, is not a Without susdisability.--1873, 59. See Reg. 105.

No right to

Penalty.

695. A lodge can not expel for non-payment of dues. Can't expel for. -1881.

696. A member of a lodge granted time in which to Time granted pay his dues, his lodge can not exact payment before dismisses the the expiration of that time; after its expiration, before case. it can suspend him, he must be summoned to show cause why he should not be suspended. The granting of time operates as a dismissal of the case.-1890, 13.

697. Where the offense is non-payment of dues, the Harsh meas. proceedings are of a summary character, for which ures disappro- reason a lodge should rarely, if ever, resort to measures unnecessarily harsh .- 1890, 12.

NOTICE.

698. Lawful service can be had by means of a regis-Registered let- tered letter, even to a man in prison.—1881, 57. ter.

600. Whether or not the notice [in newspapers] where the daily papers are the ordinary medium for Newspaper, of giving notices of meetings to members is adequate, must meetings; be determined by the circumstances of the particular case.—1887, 16.

700. Notice through the newspapers, for a meeting to change or amend the by-laws of a lodge, is not legal For change notice unless there is a by-law to that effect already in existence.—1893, 6.

701. It is improper to use postal cards for the purpose of citing members to show cause why they should not Postal cards, be suspended for non-payment of dues, but the notice is not void,* and a suspension following such notice will not be annulled for want of notice.—1887, 17.

Postal card notice improper.—Reg. 701.

When a mere notice operates as a summons.—See When a summons. Reg. 323, 949.

702. Accused must be served with notice of the time Accused must have. and place of taking proof.—1880, 42; and time of trial. -1882, 60.

703. Without notice a case may be reversed on ap-Reversal for want of. peal.—1880, 48.

by-laws.

^{*}It may be a violation of the postal laws.

OBITUARY.—See Dead.

OBJECT, OBJECTION.

Objection to installation of Master .-- Reg. 622, 623. To installation. 704. The members of the lodge to which the petition Who, to petiis presented, alone have the right to determine who shall be received as members or receive degrees in that lodge. A brother objecting has discharged his full duty, and Non-member's exhausted his powers in the case. The responsibility Lodge responrests solely upon the lodge in which the ballot was spread. A party who has not the right to ballot can Who may. not by objection prevent admission into a lodge.-1891, 61.

705. A member of a lodge, for reasons satisfactory to . himself, has the right to object to the admittance of a brother who is not a member of the same lodge; and it is the duty of the Master, upon the objection being Master's duty. made known to him, while the lodge is open and the objecting brother present, to refuse the party admittance.—1877, 16; see also' Reg. 1012.

706. It is legitimate for any brother to object to con- To advanceferring the Entered Apprentice degree on an applicant who, because of opposition of his wife to his becoming a Mason, declined to receive the degree at the meeting at which he was elected. Should he present himself for initiation within a reasonable time—not exceeding a year—and there should be no objection, it is within the discretion of the lodge to determine either to confer the degree or not to confer it .- 1889, 17.

707. The word "objection" in decision [17] of Grand After trial Master [1876], relative to a candidate's advancement, [that is, right to demand a trial if objected to], refers not to the ballot, but to verbal objections after a favorable ballot has been announced. And even this is erroneous.-1877, 13, 64.

708. The assent of a member absent when the bal- of absent memlot is taken is presumed if he fails to object, but this presumption can not be indulged in when he does object.—1887, 14.

Objections: 709. The brother objecting is not obliged to give Reason for. reasons for his objections, any more than he would have been for casting a black ballot had he been present. The motives of a brother in matters of this kind can not be questioned, unless he voluntarily avows motives that are unmasonic.—1887, 14.

OBLIGATION.

Moral. The moral law is a Freemason's great pattern, and the higher its standard the purer the Masonry. Simply a defect in the administration of the obligation is no justifiable plea to a specific charge of gross unmasonic conduct.—1879, 27.

Benefits create. Masonry confers benefits and exacts obligations.—
Reg. 68.

711. Masonic obligations are mutual and reciprocal.

Mutual. The obligation of the individual Mason to his lodge is to pay his dues, and obey the Constitution and edicts of the Grand Lodge and the by-laws of the subordinate To individual. lodge to which he belongs. The obligation of the Craft to the individual is to protect him in his Masonic rights; to extend the hand of charity to himself and his family when in need, etc.—1892, 10.

OFFENSE, OFFENSES.

Time don't bar. 712. Offenses against Masonry are not barred by time.—1872, 18.

Laws of God. 713. Any offense against the laws of God is a violation of the laws of Masonry.—1877, 14.

Infidelity. Infidelity an offense.—See Reg. 488.

Profanity. 714. Taking the name of God in vain, or blasphemy, is a Masonic offense.—1878, 5.

Drunkenness. 715. Drunkenness is a Masonic offense, and our lodges should be rigid in their discipline on this subject.

—1878, 6.

Masonic offense, and should be punished as such. An Laws of God. offense against Masonry is a violation of the laws of

God or of the country, therefore we are not only bound to respect those within the pale but all.—1878.

717. Denying essentials to a genuine Masonic life, Denying eshe should be denied Masonic privileges.—1889, 20.

718. Refusal to take turns in care of sick is unma- Care of sick. sonic conduct.—See Sick; Reg. 933.

719. The violation of an oath lawfully taken is a Breaking oath. Masonic offense.—1888, 17.

720. Held, that the abuse, battery or injury by a Ma- Abuse of wife. son of his wife, is an offense against Masonry, and if proven renders the guilty party amenable to Masonic discipline, limited only by the determination of the lodge. -1886, 55-57.

An absenting Master.—Reg. 628, 629.

Absenti'g Mas-

Non-affiliation an offense.—See Reg. 692.

721. When a Mason has committed a crime or an Grand Lodge offense against the laws of Masonry, the Grand Lodge trial, can compel the subordinate lodge having jurisdiction to inflict punishment, but we know of no law permitting the Grand Lodge to determine the quantum of that Not degree of punishment .- 1879, 49.

722. Being a saloon-keeper does not in itself constitute a Masonic offense; aliter* if the saloon is kept in violation of law.--1877, 13.

723. To honestly take the benefit of the bankrupt Bankruptcy. law is not a Masonic offense.—1877, 15.

Inability to pay debts not an offense.—Reg. 225. Insolvency. 724. A law suit is not a Masonic offense.—1892, 8; Law suit.

Reg. 532.

The use of improper books a high offense.—Reg. 73.

725. It will not do to say that one who has under- Stand to award. taken to abide by an award to be made is, by reason of his refusal to perform the award when made, necessarily guilty of a Masonic offense, or is necessarily subject, by reason of such refusal, either to legal resposibility or moral censure. Surely such conclusion could not be arrived at without some knowledge as to the

^{*}Meaning, otherwise.

nature and terms of the agreement of submission and the purport of the award. -1888, 144.

Gambling, raffling, violation of laws of God or of Gambling, raffling, etc. the State.-Reg. 404.

OFFICE.

726. Vacancies in office are filled [pro tem., see foot-Vacancies. note, page 110] by the Master .- 1871, 17.

727. The Landmark in regard to physical qualifica-Physical qual- tions applies only to the making of Masons, and has no reference to a brother's fitness for office. One may sit in the East, though his physical infirmities would debar * him as an applicant for initiation.-1877, 14.

728. No money penalty can be imposed upon a mem-Money penalty, ber, otherwise eligible, to prevent him standing for office, nor to prevent the lodge voting for him .-1875, 13.

OFFICER, OFFICERS.

729. It is one of the rights and privileges of a Mas-Right to hold, ter Mason to hold office, of which he can not be deprived by the operation of a by-law of a subordinate Deprived only lodge. To debar him from office and from voting [without a trial or notice, see Dues, Reg. 321-323] as a penalty for non-payment of dues, antagonizes a fundamental principle of Masonic justice, and contravenes the provisions of the Constitution .- 1873, 58.

Officers of a lodge can not demit.—Reg. 269-272. Can't demit. 730. A lodge can not grant a demit to any one of its officers during the term for which he was elected or appointed, and any attempt to grant him a demit is not

only irregular but void.—1882; 1877, 15.

731. A regularly elected and installed officer of a Can't resign. lodge has not the right to resign.—1867, 53.

732. An officer can not resign during his term of office. He is the officer until his successor is elected Tenure. and installed.—1865, 12.

> 733. The officers of a lodge are chosen to serve for one year, or from one festival of St. John the Evangelist to the succeeding one.—1885, 17.

734. No regularly elected officer, who has been elected by his lodge, can resign. He must serve out his term; if he dies, removes, is expelled or suspended, his place must be filled pro tempore by the Master's Filled pro tem. appointment. If the Master's place should become vacant in any of the above ways it is filled by the Senior Warden first, and so on.—1865, 59.

735. An officer can be appointed by the Master (to fill a vacancy) only pro tempore.—1891, 54. Reg. 634.

A lodge can try any of its officers, except the Master.—Reg. 639.

736. To make a lodge-room attractive the officers competent. should be competent and the members appreciative.--1870, 16. Carelessness or want of knowledge in offi- careless, igcers too often produces non-affiliation.-1870.

737. The officers of every subordinate lodge should be living exemplications of the principles and duties they enforce; the profane man can not successfully teach that the name of God must be always spoken with reverence; the mystic letter in the East loses all its solemn monitions if he who ministers at the altar is the first to violate the instruction he gives.—1870, 17, 62.

Examples.

738. Every officer of a lodge must be a Master Ma- Must be Masson (xi, 13), therefore a Fellow Craft can not act as a Tyler of a Master's lodge.—1888, 18.

739. A lodge under dispensation can not elect offi- U. D. can not This rule applies although the lodge cers.—1887, 11. has been under dispensation more than a year. But where the charter of an existent lodge has been burned Chartered lodge or otherwise destroyed, and a dispensation granted to work until the next meeting of Grand Lodge by permission of the Grand Master, the lodge may elect its officers.—1888, 19.

740. The Master only has power to appoint Deacons Appointed. as Grand Master has (iv, 1; xi, 14) in regard to Grand The Senior Warden can only appoint Junior Deacon by consent of the Master.—1888, 18.

741. The Grand Lodge provides that the rules for Election rules.

election in subordinate lodges shall be similar to those adopted in Grand Lodge. The Master of a subordi-Tyler elective. nate lodge can not appoint the Tyler, he being an elective officer.—1885, 17.

When elected, Officers are elected, appointed, installed and charged on the day of election.—Reg. 503.

742. Held, that every officer selected or appointed by Appointed, the Grand Lodge should take the vow of office, and be regularly inducted into the same.—1891, 71.

Master may of his lodge from the performance of the duties of his office pending investigation, or, after charges have been preferred, pending trial, if the good of the Order or of Prompt trial his lodge should so require; but in no case should the investigation or trial be deferred or unnecessarily protracted.

OFFICIAL.

Ignorance. Official ignorance.—Reg. 550.

744. An official letter is one that emanates from the Official letter. Master of a lodge of his own accord, or is written by the Secretary or a committee by instruction of the lodge.—1877, 16.

what is re- 745. Everything done in a lodge, or promulgated officially, should be placed on record.*—1879, 26.

Seal necessary. Official documents, letters, etc., have lodge seal.—Reg. 905.

OFFICIAL BOND. - See Bond.

OPENING.

Each degree. 746. A lodge must be formally opened in each degree.—1890, 13.

747. To open or close, the order goes from the W. M. to the S. W.; thence to the J. W., and thence to the Craft.—1877, 15.

748. The Master should raise the lodge on opening Who raises and closing; the J. W. should raise it only in calling off

^{*}If proper to be written, of course.

and on. The lodge should be called up before the When. Master gives his order to the West.—1877, 15.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.*

749. "Order of Business" in a lodge should not be Not subject to made in by-laws "subject to Master's will." It should Master's will. be a permanent rule, to be only suspended as other How suspended. rules are.—1888, 18.

PARTNERSHIP.

750. The Masonic lodge is not the place to settle Not settled in partnerships, even between Masons, unless a crime Exceptions. against Masonry has been committed.—1873, 42.

PAST GRAND MASTERS.

751. The Grand Secretary is instructed to procure Portraits prothe portraits of Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge cured. and have the same, and the Grand Masters' portraits, suitably framed, for archives.—1891, 89; Reg. 445.

752. The Grand Treasurer is instructed to pay not By whom paid exceeding \$15 each for portraits of such of our Past for, Grand Masters who are not able to pay for the same. Such portraits to be placed in the Memorial Hall.— Where placed. 1892, 52.

PAST MASTERS.+

[Amendment offered to abolish .- 1886, 79. De- Historical gree abolished.—1887, 53. Overruled.—1888, 14, 67. memoranda. An amendment to dispense with it re-submitted.—1888, 67, and tabled 1889, 77. See Master, Wardens, Installation.

753. A Past Master of a lodge in another jurisdic- Who are rection, but who is now affiliated with a lodge in Kentucky, is not a member of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky within the meaning of Section 3, Article i, Con-

^{*}See also Rules for Conducting Business, in Appendix.
†Chapter Past Masters are called "virtual Past Masters." Those made in
a "convocation," on a Master elect, are called "actual Past Masters."
"Chapter Past Masters, who have never presided over a symbolic lodge, are not permitted to be present at this ceremony."—Ahiman Rezon.

stitution. He must be a Past Master of a Kentucky lodge.—1889, 20, 75. Corresponds with action 1818.
754. A Past Master just passing [passed] the chair Maybe tried. can be tried by his lodge for unmasonic actions while Master.—1878, 5.

Chapter P. M's. 755. A Chapter Past Master can not exercise in a No rights in symbolic lodge any function pertaining to the office and attributes of the Master, and can not, consequently, install a newly elected Master.—1876, 20.

Virtual, not jurisdiction, to take the Past Master's degree in a conre-obligated,
Nor admitted in convocation.

Master of a lodge; but a newly elected Master, who has

Degree prerequisite.

Degree prerequisite.

Degree prerequisite.

Degree prerequisite.

No received the Past Master's degree, should have it
conferred on him only by a convocation of Past MasWho present. ters, and on such occasions it is improper that any but
actual Past Masters should be present.—1876, 20.

757. None but actual Past Masters can be present at a convocation of Past Masters, and three is a quorum.

—1881, 20; Reg. 496.

Master of lodge other than the one who has acted under the dispensation U. D. when P. be named by a Grand Lodge, the Master of the Lodge U. D. passes to the place of a Past Master and is thenceforward so noted upon the records of the lodge and re-

Is actual P.M. ported to the Grand Lodge. He is reported and believed to be an actual Past Master.—1891, 59.

Entitled to de- 759. The Master of a lodge U. D. is entitled to the degree of Past Master.—1875, 58.

760. The officers of a lodge may be installed in pubPublic Installic, by consent of the Grand Master, except the Master,
lation.
P. M. degree who must receive the Past Master's degree, as "a necnecessary.
Programme. essary part of the installation ceremonies," in private.
The lodge may then adjourn* [to the place] for the
public installation of the others, having first obligated
them in open lodge, and meet again to close the lodge
after the officers have taken their stations.—1888, 15.

^{*}This can not mean close nor call off, because installation is "work" and lodge must therefore be open.—See Burial.

761. The Past Master's degree is a part of the in- Part of installation ceremony, and is necessary to the qualifications of a newly elected Master.—1877, 16; 1878, 5.

762. So long as the Past Master's degree remains a necessary part of the installation ceremony the Master Not installed without, elect is not installed until he receives it; and the former And old Master, who has been properly installed, continues to hold the office.—1888, 15.

763. The Master of a lodge should not be reported Former is not reported. In the returns to the Grand Lodge as a Past Master unless he has actually taken the obligation of that degree, Unless O. B., and been installed with its appropriate ceremonies.—

1888, 16.

PENALTY.

764. The Constitution prescribes no mode of procedure where a Masonic penalty shall be inflicted, exment.
cept under an arraignment for unmasonic conduct.—
1867, 58.

765. No money penalty can be imposed upon a mem-Money penalty ber, otherwise eligible, to prevent him standing for office, nor to prevent the lodge from voting for him.—
1875, 13.

766. The constitutional penalty for the non-payment for non-payment of dues is by suspension, which must be preceded by citation to appear before the lodge and show cause why suspension should not be visited upon the delinquent.—
1873, 58.

767. The disfranchisement of members of a lodge, Illegal, is void. in consequence of non-payment of dues, when there has been no legally executed suspension, is unconstitutional.—1873, 58.

768. A brother can not be deprived of any Masonic Ballot necesright except by ballot.—1891, 52.

769. The Grand Master has no power to remit Ma-Grand Master sonic penalties.—1892, 9.

770. The law makes it the imperative duty of a lodge Lodge must to impose and carry into execution some one of the penalties prescribed by the Constitution after it has voted a

brother guilty of the charges preferred against him.—
1893, 55.

771. When charges are preferred against a brother in Tried, found a subordinate lodge for unmasonic conduct, and on trial Lodge must thereof he is found guilty, it is the imperative duty of inflict some penthe lodge to impose and carry into execution some one alty; of the penalties prescribed by the Constitution [xiii, 1], unless a reconsideration and a reversal of the decision be had in the lodge, or the decision, on appeal, is re-Failing, facts versed by the Grand Lodge. And if such subordinate lodge refuses [fail] to inflict a penalty, on its decision of guilty, the facts should be reported to the Grand Master or to the Grand Lodge, in order that proper ac-Why. tion may be taken against such subordinate lodge.-1871, 73.

772. After a fair and regular trial the lodge is the Lodge judges best judge of the penalty which should be inflicted according to our law.—1878, 43.

773. Whether he did so [sign the names of various Fact of guilt. persons to notes, without their authority, and obtained money thereon] with a criminal intent or not, was the peculiar province of his own lodge to determine, as well And fixes pun- as to fix the degree of punishment; and where the trial is regular, and the specifications are sustained by the Gr. L. does not. proof, it is not in the province of this Grand Lodge to alter the degree of punishment.—1879, 49.

774. A demit does not shield a brother from punish-Demit don't ment for offenses committed before the demit was granted.—1877, 15.

Nationality as a cause for "preventing the fel-Nationality. lowship of a demitted brother" considered. See Reg. 291.

775. When reprimand is inflicted a motion for a new Reprimand. trial is not in order. The remedy is in appeal.—
1884, 11.

Admit without demit. - Reg. 285.

PETITION, PETITIONER.

776. Petition for membership should be accompanied Demit accomby a demit.*—1871, 45. [Compare with 777.]

777. It is not essential that a certificate of demit ac-Modified in company a petition for affiliation; the fact that the petitioner is a demitted Mason, and the loss of the certificate, may be established by satisfactory evidence.—
1890, 13. See Reg. 252, 283, 285.

Petition must state the age of candidate, and may states what. be filed (but not balloted on) before he is of age.—

Reg. 122.

778. The Constitution does not provide for the length Time of resiof time a petitioner must reside within this jurisdiction. dence. 1882, 18.

779. When the by-laws of a lodge are silent on the Limit of time. subject, a petitioner who neglects to present himself for initiation until three years have elapsed, should be required to petition anew. Although the Constitution fixes no limit, it evidently contemplated that the petitioner should take advantage of the privilege within a reasonable time.—1884, 11.

780. The petition for initiation should state the business. ness in which the petitioner is engaged. And if it fails to do so the lodge may permit it to be withdrawn for amendment to conform to the facts. This would not be such a withdrawal as is meant and provided for by Sec. 3, Art. viii, Constitution, but same may be allowed by a majority vote taken viva voce, or otherwise.

The petition when withdrawn for amendment is still stilllodge property of the lodge.—1889, 19.

781. A non-affiliated Mason in good standing can Non-affiliated, petition a lodge, in whose jurisdiction he resides, for admission and be rejected without charges being preferred against him, or cause shown. – 1873, 64.

782. A committee to whom a petition for affiliation Duty of comis referred should take into consideration not only the moral character and fitness of the applicant, but also the

^{*}From defunct lodge are obtained from Grand Secretary.

authenticity of his dimit, or, in its absence, the cause thereof.—1885, 17. See Reg. 777.

783. A ballot must be taken upon a petition for ini-Ballot neces- tiation or membership, whether the report of the comsary. mittee of investigation be favorable or unfavorable.-1872, 18.

784. In 1868, ballot being unfair and fee returned, Withdrawal the withdrawal of objection in 1870 did not dispense of objection. with presentation anew and reference of petition.—1879, 18; Reg. 55.

785. A lodge can not receive a petition from one liv-From one not ing within the jurisdiction of another lodge, without in jurisdiction. first obtaining the consent of the lodge in whose juris-Effect of con- diction he resides. If the consent is given, the lodge consenting is not entitled to the fees.—1865, 74; Reg. 511.

786. The petition of a citizen of Kentucky, [hailing Defunct lodges from a lodge in another State, whose charter, Master, of other States. and Wardens were gone and lodge destroyed] under good character, may be received as a non-affiliated Mason, [without a demit*] but great caution should be used to prevent imposture.—1865, 12, 59.

> 787. In case of a petition from a brother who hails from another jurisdiction, and claims that his lodge has ceased to exist, his petition can be received and acted upon, provided the lodge he petitions is satisfied [from competent evidence] that the lodge once existed, and the brother [is now and] was in good standing at the time the lodge ceased to exist.—1878, 6. See Reg. 786 and foot note.

788. The Master should not allow an unsigned peti-Must be sign- tion, unaccompanied by the fee required by the bylaws, to be received at all; but admitting that they had been received and reported on, the paper was a peti-Withdrawal, tion, and the Master acted properly in not allowing it to be withdrawn without action.-1871, 41.

ed and fee paid.

*Since these decisions were rendered it has been held that demits from defunct lodges must be obtained from Grand Secretary (see Reg. 292-'9), which is the best attainable evidence of the standing of the brother. This is also the usage in other States, which should be respected.

789. After a petition is received and referred it can not be withdrawn except by unanimous consent, ex- By clear balpressed through the ballot-box. (This is the law in this jurisdiction; yet I think, that after a petition has Even this erbeen received and referred, it should either be received roneous. and placed in the temple or be rejected and cast among the rubbish.) Approved.—1878, 7.

790. No petition for initiation or membership, once Withdrawn by presented and received by the lodge, can be withdrawn except with unanimous consent of the lodge, expressed through the ballot-box; nor shall any petition be withdrawn after the committee shall have reported unfavorably.—1879, 26.

Before unfavorable report.

791. A conductor on a railroad can not, as claimed Railroad man, by same, petition any lodge on the line of his road. His petition must be presented to the lodge nearest Residence set; the place he claims as his residence and votes at .-1878, 6.

792. When a person makes an actual move out of the State, no matter if he intends at some future time to return, his proper place to petition is the place in which he lives.—1878, 5.

793. A lodge can not receive and act upon the peti- Unless consent tion of a person living in the jurisdiction of another lodge, without permission of the lodge whose jurisdiction is invaded.—1878, 6.

794. Applications for membership, except in towns where there are more than one lodge, should be made to the nearest lodge. A demitted brother has no advantage, in this respect, over a petitioner for initiation. -1879, 26.

Except in

Ceded to Tennessee, etc.—1858, 177; Reg. 429. 795. A lodge having lawful jurisdiction is the sole Lodge judges judge of its petitioner's qualifications; protests from a qualifications. neighboring lodge should receive the fullest considera- Protests. tion, but further than that they can not prevail.* 1877, 15.

Border State.

^{*}Yet the lodge is responsible if it acts unlawfully.-Reg. 511, 785.

796. An expelled Mason, who desires restoration, Restoration of must petition the lodge which expelled him, if that be in existence; otherwise, the Grand Lodge. There is no prescribed form for the petition, but action upon it is governed by the rules which apply to petitions for initiation.—1877, 14.

797. When the lodge having jurisdiction rejects a Renewal of petition for membership the applicant may, after the lapse of three months, petition any other lodge in that jurisdiction.—1877, 15.

798. A lodge not having jurisdiction over a candidate receives his petition for initiation and rejects him. The lodge having jurisdiction may receive and act upon such candidate's petition as if no application had been made.—1876, 19.

799. Where the lodge having jurisdiction rejects a petition for initiation the applicant may, after a lapse of twelve months, and subject to other restrictions [i. e., of jurisdiction], petition any other lodge having jurisdiction.—1884, 11; Reg. 797.

Lodge, not e., refuse to receive a petition for initiation presented the Master, receives, etc. to the lodge is not in the Master alone but the lodge, By audible vote. and rests with the majority. The vote on this question may be taken viva voce.—1889, 19.

801. The Grand Master should never be asked, in Grand Master's advance of presentation of a petition accompanying prospective decision.

documents, what he will do or what his opinion would be if a dispensation should be asked for thereafter.—
1891, 62.

Ability to read son who can not write is ineligible for initiation," it should be merely a recommendation that the petitioner should be able to write, leaving it with the members of the lodge to determine upon the mental qualifications of the petitioner. We know of no law making the petitioner ineligible because of not being able to write.—
1878, 30.

POLITICS.

803. Masonry does not conflict with political or religions [i. e., denominational, or dogmas] sentiments.

Politics should not be mentioned in the lodge.—1865,
12; Reg. 128, 404, 613.

POLYGAMY.

804. The Grand Lodge denounces polygamy as a Denounced. crime against the moral and Masonic code.—1882, 60,

PREROGATIVE.

805. The Digest [Regulations] sets out all the pro- Law settles it. visions on prerogatives. 1881, 21, 45, 51.

806. The Code sets forth all the constitutional pro- Code shows it. visions and decisions on the subject of prerogatives.—
1880, 51.

807. The Grand Lodge only intended its Grand Master to enjoy all the powers and prerogatives conferred by the Ancient Constitution and the usages and Landmarks of the Craft, subject to the provisions of its Constitution.—1881, 24.

Gr. Master's subject Const'n.

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PRESIDE.

808. In the absence of the Master, it is the duty of In Master's abthe Senior Warden to preside, and in the absence of the Master and Senior Warden, it is the duty of the Junior Warden, and in the absence of all three, the lodge can not be legally opened (1865, 12) except at a stated meeting, when the Junior Past Master of the lodge may open it and preside.*—xi, 20; also Reg. 811.

809. In the absence of the Master, the Senior Warden, or in the absence of both the Master and the Senior Warden, the Junior Warden must take charge of

^{*}Formerly the law read this way: "If none of the officers be present, nor any former Master, to take the chair, the members according to seniority and merit, shall fill the place of the absent officers.—Const., etc., Gr. Lodge of Ky., 1818, 54.

May call M. the lodge, and then may call to preside, a Master Mason present,* although the latter may not have taken the Past Master's degree.—1889, 18.

810. The Master, Senior Warden or Junior Warden, when presiding over a lodge, has the right to call any Master Mason to the chair, and his acts are legal.—1892, 8.

811. A Past Master to have the right (under a recent amendment to the Constitution) to open and preside over a lodge in the absence of the Master and Wardens, Past Master's must be a Past Master of the lodge over which he would preside. Having been a Past Master of another lodge, though at the time a member of the lodge he is called on to preside over, does not make him eligible.—1893, 7.

PRINCIPLES.—See Masonry.

PROCEEDINGS.

Printing compensation printing the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, returns, etc., before the Grand Lodge convenes; and also to have the daily proceedings printed.—
1887, 54; Reg. 813, 814.

For Cor. rep't printing returns and Foreign Correspondence report in time to have them completed before the Grand Lodge convenes, without waiting for any that are behind.—
1891, 89.

814. The constitutional amendment requiring the Daily, sent out. Grand Secretary to send the daily proceedings to delegates refers to the last day only.—1891, 89.

815. The Grand Secretary is hereby authorized to May be sold. dispose of as many copies of the Grand Lodge proceedings as, in his discretion, can be spared, at the price of one dollar per copy; and he will account for the pro-

^{*}The Master Mason so occupying the chair would lose his authority, if the officer leaves the lodge, and the right to preside would at once fall to the one who had it by virtue of office.

ceeds thereof as he accounts for other moneys belonging to the Grand Lodge.—1860, 51.

Change of approved proceedings unlawful.—Reg. Changes in. 844.

PROCESSION.

816. A Masonic lodge can not turn out in public pro- When in pubcession as a lodge, except on one of the festival days or
at the funeral of a Master Mason, except by dispensation.—1878, 7.

817. It is improper for a lodge—opened and working When E. A. in the Third degree—to simply "call off," and admit to the procession persons of inferior degrees. In order to admit to the procession Entered Apprentices, the lodge should be working in that degree.—1889, 29.

PROFANE.

- 1. Can not appeal.—See Reg. 19.
- 2. Effect of black ball.—See Reg. 54-58.

PROTEST.—See Reg. 795.

PUBLIC INSTALLATION.—See Installation.

PUNISHMENT.

818. The only punishments that Masonry can inflict Only Masonic. are reprimand, suspension for a definite period, or expulsion.—1875, 74.

Appeal from reprimand proper.—Reg. 864. Reprimand.

- 819. A brother can not be punished until after due Only after trial. trial. Suspension for an indefinite period is improper Indefinite susand is a punishment not known in this jurisdiction.—

 1873, 47.
- 820. The degree of punishment is a question to be Fix'd by whom. decided by the lodge of which the accused is a member.—1873, 46.
- 821. The lodge alone can fix the degree of punishment.—1887, 31.

822. The lodge is the only tribunal to try and deter-Lodge tries and mine the question of facts and fix the degree of punishment.—1881, 58.

823. The degree of punishment for a Masonic offense is to be determined by the lodge, and in ordinary cases

Gr. Master not it is improper for the Grand Master to indicate to the lodge what it should do. If a lodge fails to act in out
Lodge respon- rageous cases he may arrest its charter and report the matter to the Grand Lodge.—1888, 16; Reg. 444.

824. A demit does not shield a brother from punish-Demit no shield. ment for offenses committed before the demit was granted.—1877, 15.

QUORUM.

Anciently. 825. Anciently "three or more composed a lodge of Masons."—1879, 27. See Reg. 826.

To expell. At least seven shall be present when a ballot to expell is taken.—Reg. 376.

826. Seven, five and three shall be the minimum For business. number to transact business in the First, Second and Third degrees of Ancient York Masonry, and that all laws, digest and decisions in conflict herewith are hereby annulled.—1881, 46, 47.

P. M. degree. 827. Three is a quorum for a convocation of Past Masters.—1881, 20; Reg. 757.

Want of, forfeits charter. Want of it is the duty of its officers to report to the Grand Secretary as provided in Art. xi, Sec. 17, of the Constitution.—1890, 13.

RAFFLE. See Reg, 404.

RECONSIDER.

[See Rules for Conducting Business near conclusion of this volume.]

Motion when wise or impolitic, a motion to reconsider would be in order at the next meeting [notice being given] according to parliamentary practice.—1879, 27.

830. A motion to reconsider may be laid on the ta- May be tabled. ble.—1891, 47.

831. To reconsider a ballot is irregular, and a lodge Ballot can't be. has no such power.—1864, 59. Also Reg. 49, 61, 63, and foot-notes, pp. 50, 51.

RECORDS.

832. Everything done in a lodge [proper to be writ-Record what's ten], or promulgated officially, should be placed on record.—1879, 26.

833. Records should be kept in a proper record book, In a book, and not on sheets of paper.—1867, 58.

834. Records must be signed officially by the Master Sign'd by whom and Secretary [when approved].-1866, 45.

835. The records must show that the action of the Show what; lodge is in accordance with Masonic usage.—1874.

836. Records must show that the lodge was duly In opening, opened.—1862, 28.

837. Records must show on what degree the lodge On what deg. was opened.-1866, 44.

838. Records must show that demits accompany pe-Demits received titions of E. A., F. C. or M. M.'s for membership; that candidates are examined in open lodge previous to Examinations, advancement; that petitions for initiation or membership are received, referred to committee and lay over Petitions were a constitutional time; that committee makes report be-Report rec'd. fore ballot, and petitioners are balloted for.—1866, 40, Ballot had, 42, 43, 44.

839. The record must show, when petitions are withdrawn, it was by unanimous consent.—1866, 45.

840. The records must *show* that notice is had, and Notice served, opportunity for defense given, or suspension is void.—
1887, 13; Reg. 967.

841. Records must show that charges were presented Ch'ge presented to the lodge and a committee appointed to take the Com'tee app'd, proof, and a copy of the charges was served on the ac- Charge served cused.—1880, 43.

842. Records failing to show legal suspension, the Effect of fail- proceedings may be declared void even after the death of the brother.—1887, 13, 14; Reg. 967.

843. The record is on loose and detached sheets of Defective repaper, not numbered or indexed. If the finding of the lodge had, in our judgment, been improper or unjust,

Penalty for. we would recommend that the charter of the lodge be arrested until such time as it can satisfy the Grand Master that it can elect a Secretary who knows and will perform his duty.—1885, 44; Reg. 917.

How written. Written in ink .- See Reg. 27.

844. Neither the Grand Master or Grand Secretary Can't be altered has power to alter the record of Grand Lodge proceeding when once made up and signed.—1888, 17.

"REGALIA."

845. The only proper regalia worn at the burial of a Mason, by Master Masons, is the regalia of the Master Plain apron. Mason's degree, which is the plain white apron and gloves.—1863, 33.

REGULATION.—See note bottom of page 4, and top of page 41.

[A Regulation is a rule or order for management or government, in force until repealed. In Knight Templar parlance these laws are called Statutes. It differs from an Edict in that the latter is an order issued by competent authority; a special proclamation of command limited in duration.]

REINSTATE.—See Restore.

REJECTION.

Don't affect 846. A mere objection does not affect the Masonic standing. standing of the petitioner.—1873, 64.

847. The rejection of an applicant for membership does not affect the Masonic standing of the applicant.

Demit returned. His certificate of demit is his property and should be restored to him.—1878.

RELIGION.

848. Masonry does not conflict with religion.—1865, 12; Reg. 803.

REMISSION OF DUES .- See Demit, Suspend, Restore.

REMOVAL.

849. A petition of brethren for removal of the place Lodge determines. of meeting of their lodge, should show that the lodge had determined to move.—1874, 57; Reg. 660.

REPORTS.—See Returns, Committees.

Effect of adopting recommendation.—Reg. 890.

REPRESENTATIVE.

850. Representatives are the law-making power. Make laws. How can they expect to discharge their duty without a should know thorough knowledge of the fundamental laws?-- 1881, 18. the law.

851. Every Representative shall report, on his arrival Reports: when, (in Grand Secretary's office), by filling the blanks on where, how. the cards provided for that purpose. When the list is printed and distributed in Grand Lodge, any error shall be reported by filling the same kind of blank and handing it in at the desk-not in Grand Lodge, because the whole attention of the Secretary is required to keep the record of proceedings.—1890, 33, 58.

- 852. The Master of a lodge under dispensation is en- Of lodge U.D. titled to sit and vote as a member of the Grand Lodge the same as is the Master of a chartered lodge. lodge under dispensation can elect a representative to cast its vote in the absence of the Master and Wardens. -1891, 58.
- 853. The Grand Lodge has no power to admit to a When not admitted to Gr. L. seat a representative of a lodge in arrears to the Grand Lodge for dues, without violating the Constitution. iv, 11; xi, 18, par. 7; 1870, 70, 71; Reg. 413, 4.4.
- 854. The Constitution shall be so construed that no Can't serve till representative of a lodge shall take his seat in the Grand paid. Lodge until he has received a receipt in full, from the proper person, for the payment of the assessment heretofore ordered by the Grand Lodge in favor of the Ma-

sonic Widows and Orphans' Home.—1877, 68. See Reg. 474.

Remitting dues time] would not relieve the disability of the delegates, nor enable them to draw mileage and per diem.—
1883, 45.

Nor is dona amounts representing deficiencies, it would not relieve the present disability of the delegates, and permit them to take seats in this Grand Lodge and draw mileage and per diem; nor would any relief be afforded by granting further time to pay.—1881, 56.

857. A brother, the dues of whose lodge have not But full paybeen paid in full, can not take his seat or receive mileage or per diem.—1881, 40.

Can't refuse stitution, and they can not be deprived of it without their consent.—1887, 9; Reg. 475.

Absentatroll- Lodge of representative not present at roll-call chargeable with per diem.—Reg. 895.

859. Representatives must attend the daily sessions
Are paid to of the Grand Lodge. They are paid for the service,
attend Gr. L.
Neglect of duty and are wronging the Grand Lodge by neglecting this
duty.—1881, 18; Reg. 893-'95.

Or absence sentatives, receive pay therefor, and fail to attend to their duties or rendering an equivalent; Should a delegate hereafter leave before the close of the sessions, Pay charged without permission, the amount [of pay] taken shall to lodge.

Dec charged to and collected from the lodge he repre-

Sents.—1872, 94; Reg. 893.

861. A brother who can not repress the promptings

Character of of his viler appetites should hide himself in the obscurity of home, and not come to the Grand Lodge. This
body is composed, in an immense proportion, of a different class; and for our own reputation we should see

To be sent Gr. to it that the lodges are represented by such. Let us
hope the subordinate lodges will accept the Grand Master's hint, and hereafter send none as delegates except

"the stately shaft and polished stone" which abound within their ranks.—1877, 66.

862. Junior Deacon under charges elected as repre- Under charges. sentative to Grand Lodge. Query: Has he the right to take his seat? Answer: He has; and if unworthy blame rests with the lodge electing. If innocent of charges no damage is done anywhere. __1879, 28.

863. When any member of this Grand Lodge shall How chair is address the Grand Master or the Grand Lodge he shall first announce his name, and the name, number and location of his lodge.—1876, 34; Rule 11, 39.

Must answer to roll-call. Penalty for not respond- Roll-call; pening.—Reg. 860, 893-'97.

REPRIMAND.

864. When the penalty is reprimand, and is inflicted, Remedy. the remedy is appeal.—1884, 11.

RESIGN.—See Officer.

RESTORE.

[The amendment to Constitution, Art. vii, Sec. 6 (1882), and resolutions (1883, 42, and 1835, 17) concerning ballot required to reinstate a member suspended for non-payment of dues was abolished, leaving the section as it stood before.—1886, 70; 1887, 89.] Proposition to re-enact substantially the same law was offered 1893, 58.

865. Payment of dues, to the time a member was Full payment suspended for non-payment, will remove his suspension and restore to membership without any action of the lodge.—1871, 43.

- 866. A member suspended for non-payment of dues is restored, by the payment of his dues, without any action of his lodge [1872, 18]; or other satisfaction of Or remission, the debt or remission of dues [1873, 64]; or without reference to the action of the chapter on the same subject.—1888, 15.
- 867. A lodge has the constitutional right to restore Lodge may to membership, remit the dues of a suspended member, and demit. and grant a demit to him whenever the facts justify such action.—1865, 73; Reg. 868.

Unanimous Exceptions.

868. To restore a suspended member the ballot must be spread and the vote must be unanimous, except in cases where the supension has been only for non-payment of dues [on payment thereof]. The fact (in either case) that he is restored should be noted upon the minutes.—1891, 62.

869. A brother expelled from all the rights and priv-Expelled re ileges of Masonry can only be restored by the unanistored, how. mous vote of the brethren of the lodge that expelled him, if said lodge is still in existence. If the lodge has ceased to exist then the Grand Lodge can restore him.

-1871, 42; Reg. 378, 876.

870. A party expelled by his lodge can not be rein-Expelled re- stated or restored to membership except by petition, stored by regular petition, etc. reference to a committee, laying petition over for one month, report of committee and ballot. - 1891, 49. 871. When it is desired that sentence of expulsion

The reasons.

as for affiliation.

be removed, a petition in writing to that effect, signed by the person expelled, ought to be presented to the lodge at a stated meeting thereof, and lie over for one month, so that the members may have notice of the application. As this is in effect an application from the party expelled to be again admitted to full membership in the lodge, and be thereby restored to all the rights and privileges of which, as a punishment, he had been Same ordeal deprived, it is right and proper that he should undergo the same ordeal that a non-affiliated Mason must undergo who asks for membership in a lodge, viz: his petition must lie over one month, it must be referred to a committee so that due inquiry may be made into his character, and the ballot must be unanimous in his favor.—1871, 42; 1876, 20.

872. To restore a brother before the expiration of the Before expitime for which he was suspended, it is necessary for the ration of time. suspended brother to present a written petition, which is read at a regular meeting and laid over for one month, or upon notice of some member that one month hence he will offer a resolution to restore said brother. It requires a two-thirds vote to restore.—1878, 6.

873. A brother suspended for a definite period re- Definite susgains his membership in the lodge at the expiration of such period, without any action from the lodge.-1876, 20.

874. A brother asks if a lodge has the right to pass Sweeping restoration. a resolution restoring all its suspended brothers at once? Answer. That a lodge has the right to restore any and all of its suspended brothers can not be denied; but a sweeping resolution like the one reported is wrong, and does the lodge and members great injustice.—1878, 6.

875. Payment of dues after decease will not change Of the dead. the status of the suspended.—Reg. 91.

876. A brother having been expelled by his lodge, By Gr. Lodge. and who has been restored to the privileges of Masonry by the Grand Lodge, may use the proceedings as re- Evidence of it. ported in his case as a demit to accompany his petition, and shall be regarded by the lodge petitioned as nonaffiliated.—1865, 58; Reg. 869.

If restored by Grand Lodge he stands as one de- By Gr. Lodge. mitted. To become a member must petition regularly. See Reg. 378, 879.

877. Payment of dues, by members who were sus- Suspendedn.p. pended for non-payment by lodges which have since ceased to exist, where no other charges exist against them, to the Grand Secretary of the amount charged against them at the time of suspension, reinstates them. -1865, 13.

878. A brother suspended [except for non-payment Suspended or of dues, see Reg. 293-302] or expelled, and his former funct lodge. lodge having ceased to exist, has no relief but to apply to the Grand Lodge.—1865, 74; Reg. 869.

879. A brother restored to the rights and privileges Same by live . of Masonry by the Grand Lodge, who has been suspended or expelled by a subordinate lodge, is not replaced in his former membership in the subordinate lodge. It is where the trial is declared irregular, and Irregular trial. the sentence therefore illegal, by the Grand Lodge, that the accused shall be placed in his former footing in all respects, subject, however, to a new trial upon

the former or new charges, if the lodge deems it proper to entertain them.—1865, 58.

RETURNS.

Carelessness. 880. Justice demands a penalty for carelessness in making returns. -1882, 23.

881. The fault is with the subordinate lodge if it whose fault. elects an incompetent or indolent Secretary. The pres-Blanks used. ent form for returns is sufficient to insure accuracy when carefully used by a person of ordinary intelligence, but can see no objection to the preparation of a better one by the Grand Secretary.—1889, 70, 71.

Officers elect, officers immediately after the annual election, and on the blanks furnished, and to make annual returns and payment of dues as required by law.—1891, 89; 1890, 18; xi, 16.

Officers elect, card blanks before January 1. If blanks are not reon card blanks. ceived, write to Grand Secretary for them.—1881, 17.

884. So the failure to make a single lodge return

Effect of fail-properly and in time, prevents the closing of our books,
and the Grand Master, as well as Grand Secretary,
from having the necessary data to enable Grand Officers

No reason for to make their reports, etc. Moreover, there is no suffailure.

Wherein. at the time required by our Constitution. The blanks
are furnished, full instructions given, and if the Secre-

wherein. at the time required by our Constitution. The blanks are furnished, full instructions given, and if the Secretary can not do it, the Master must see that some one else does do it.—1893, 16.

885. The constitutional requirements touching the

Annual, when making of annual returns before September 3, and paying Grand Lodge dues, etc., before October 1, are just, Reasonable, reasonable, plain, and are essential to the proper conduct of Grand Lodge business. The Representative of lodge Penalty for which fails to make returns and pay dues in full is not in law or fairness entitled to mileage or per diem; and Reading law. any attempt to evade this law by motion or otherwise,

so as to allow Representatives, "a sum equal to mileage," etc., is plainly unconstitutional.—1893, 17.

886. Unless returns are made according to the form and instructions thereon, and payment made of dues and assessments, it will be the imperative duty of the Grand Arrest of char-Master to arrest the charter, and summons the lodge to appear at the bar of Grand Lodge to answer the charge of "unmasonic conduct." If the lodge is in such condition that it can not pay, or is determined to remain dormant, it might at least make returns promptly and surrender the charter and effects, as required in the Constitution.—xi, 17; 1886, 13.

887. Grand Secretary has held his books open and Closing books, by Gr. Secy. entered payments that reached him up to October 14, as having been made by October 1st, to enable representatives of lodges to draw their per diem and mileage. There is nothing in the law authorizing such latitude Leniency unin its construction, and while the act of leniency may be excused this once, in consideration that it is the first year of the operation of the penalty for failure to remit before October 1st, the Grand Secretary is admonished, and the brethren cautioned that a repetition of the stretch of authority, though made with the best of motives, is unlawful and can not be countenanced by the Grand Lodge.—1886, 36.

888. Hereafter the rule [requiring annual returns to Law to be enbe made by September 3 and payment made before October 1] will be strictly enforced.—1888, 71; xi, 18.

Grand Secretary to "rigidly enforce the laws" concerning returns.-Reg. 467.

889. It shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary to Delinquents report to the Grand Lodge, annually, the lodges which do not comply with the law in relation to making returns in proper time.—1890, 58.

REVERSAL.

890. The Committee on Grievances [now Appeals] Effect of adoptrecommended that the action of a lodge be "reversed, ing recommenset aside and held for naught;" the case was recommitted and the committee report that they adhered to their former report, and asked to be discharged from further consideration thereof. Held—That the adoption of the last report was the adoption of the recommendation contained in the former report expressly referred to therein.—1890, 13.

RITUAL.—See Custodians, Work.

Blue, flash. 891. A "blue light," or a lycopodium flash light, when a party is brought to light, might be used.—
1891, 48.

Printing or use 892. The printing or use of the cipher work is not of cipher. allowable in Kentucky.—1891, 48. See Reg. 73.

ROLL CALL.

Absence with linquents from subordinate lodges not present, they having received their per diem and mileage and left Grand Lodge without permission.—1882, 89; Reg. 859, 860 '1.

Last business to call the roll by lodges, and if any delegate fails to in Gr. Lodge.

Failing to an- answer to his call, without permission, the same shall be reported to his lodge, and he shall be required to forPenalty, feit his per diem, to be paid by the lodge which the brother represented, the same to be collected by the

Grand Secretary as other dues to this Grand Lodge.—
1882, 89.

Charged to and did not answer at roll-call, must be charged to and paid by lodge. by his lodge to the Grand Secretary. The claim of Grand Lodge is against the lodge, not against the derecollectable by lict delegate. It can be collected from the delegate by the lodge, and if he refuses to pay the lodge may deal with him for unmasonic conduct.—1891, 55.

896. At roll-call each brother, in answering, should How delegates first rise in his place, and then answer distinctly, "Here," Absentees re- or "Present." When the roll is completed those marked absent shall be called, and if not responded to the record

shall be adjudged correct. After the roll is called the Stands as corabsentees shall be recalled, and thereafter the Secretary's minutes shall be conclusive evidence of the absence of the Representative, and no petition for relief shall be Petitions for hereafter entertained, unless supported by written statement and affirmation of the Representative in default and request by official action of his lodge. -1890, 33, 58.

897. A member incorrectly reported as absent at roll call must make his excuse, if any, to the Grand Lodge Excuse to Gr. at its next meeting.—1888, 17. See Reg. 850, 863.

RULES OF ORDER.

For Manual of "Rules for Conducting Business," Full rules. with index thereto, see latter part of this book; also By-laws of Grand Lodge, page 38.

898. The order of business in a subordinate lodge Master can't should not be made in by-laws "subject to Master's It should be a permanent rule, to be only suspended as other rules are. -1888, 18.

Substitute.—See Reg. 941.

Excluding the violent from the room.—Reg. 1007.

SAINT JOHN'S DAY.

899. The meeting December 27 is a regular [stated]* Stated meeting, meeting.—1888, 19.

900. St. John's Day, December 27th, being an annual meeting of the lodges in this jurisdiction, as provided in the Constitution, it is competent for lodges to confer degrees, install newly elected officers, or to transact any For business, other business the same as at any stated communication of the lodge.—1876.

901. St. John's Day, though regarded universally as holidays by the fraternity, do not preclude "work" be- Or work. ing performed on those days.—1879, 26.

902. St. John's Day being one of fraternal reunion, with incidental protection to the just claims of Masonic charity.

Reunions for

^{*}It is generally understood that by a "regular meeting" is meant one held at regular recurring days or times stated in the by-laws, or Constitution, etc. Hence, regular meeting and stated meeting are used synonymously by Masons, although all lawful meetings may be considered "regular" in the sense that they are not irregular—that is, not without sanction of law and usage.

United cele- trust, unite in one local demonstration at some central point, thus increasing their contributions while lessening the expenses of separate festivals.—1889, 85.

Home jubilee. Recommended as a jubilee to benefit the Home.—
Reg. 607.

SALOON KEEPERS.—See Reg. 722.

[For legislation on this subject see 1886, p. 60, 69; 1887, p. 49, 54; 1888, p. 12, 13, 67, 68, 69; 1889, p. 77.]

903. The fact that the petition for initiation states May petition. that the applicant is a saloon-keeper does not per se deprive the lodge of the right to receive the petition or initiate the candidate. The character of the business, Lodge judges. in this case as in all cases, is a matter appealing to the sound discretion and judgment of the lodge, and is to be taken into careful consideration in passing upon the eligibility and fitness of the applicant for Masonic honors.—1889, 19.

SCOTTISH RITE.—See Ancient Accepted Rite.

SEAL.

Lodge must 904. Every [chartered] lodge must have a seal and use it.—1888, 17.

On official papers, 905. The seal should be used on all official documents, whether issued by the lodge or by order of the Master.—1886, 21.

906. The law requires the seal of the lodge to be For validity. upon every official document, and this is necessary to the validity.—1891, 105.

907. The lodge seal should not be attached to any By whose or papers except such as are issued by order of the lodge or Master [or required by the Grand Lodge].—1877.

go8. Endorsing on parts of paper unconnected with Excuse, don't the certificate, "No Seal" or "Seal unfit for use," does satisfy.

Absence ac not give validity thereto. It is necessary to ingraft such counted for, statements in the body of the certificate to give them

validity. Masonic jurisprudence allows the same rea-

sonable rules required in civil jurisprudence—that the custodian of a seal, necessary to the validity of an instrument, may account for its absence in his certificate, and attest the same with his own seal or scroll.—1863, 27.

SECRECY.

909. Masons have no right to communicate anything of lodge-room. transpiring in the lodge-room to suspended brethren.— 1879, 28.

910. Should any brother disclose the vote given by Disclosing balhim upon the initiation, passing, raising or admission of an applicant, except as provided in the Constitution [ix, 4], or institute inquiry as to how any brother voted, Prying into. the brother so offending shall be cited for trial upon charges; and, if convicted, he shall be suspended or Penalty. expelled.—1868, 68.

911. On the decision of Grand Master, that a brother need not keep secret a falsehood communicated on "the five points," nor be held for "exposing such perfidy" [1879, 26], Grand Lodge declared: Fraud and falsehood are not to be countenanced by Masonry; to be good and true is the first lesson taught in Masonry, and justice is one of the cardinal virtues, nevertheless we fail to see the propriety of ingrafting any new restrictions touching one of our most vital points of fellowship. The compact is a voluntary one, not empowering any brother to act as a self-constituted judge of the truth or falsity of the statements submitted, but only as a vol- Voluntary untary custodian of the subject-matter thus communi- bound. cated; having voluntarily accepted the trust he must maintain it inviolate, under such restrictions only as are Restrictions. recognized by and incorporated with the Landmark These well-defined restrictions, being themselves restricted in their operation, are emphatically inclusive, and necessarily render all other restrictions, however salutary, exclusive. Were the door to such additional restrictions once opened, and such modifications and

qualifications declared admissible, this most valuable

Falsehoods,

And fraud.

Truth, justice.

"tenet of our profession" might become virtually inoperative.—1879, 62.

SECRETARY.

912. A Secretary is elected for his clerical, not his Duties, clerical. financial ability. His duty, so far as money is concerned, consists not in "safe-keeping" but "prompt paying over;" and if he will not do it in accordance with his installation vows, he should be made a subject of discipline.—1877, 65.

913. It is the bounden duty of the lodge Secretary To pay to to pay over all collections, made by him in pursuance Treas. when. of his office, to the Treasurer at every meeting of the Failure to do so. lodge, and on failure so to do he renders himself liable to discipline.—1877, 67.

914. The Secretary of a lodge has no authority to Pays Treas'r. make any other disposition of the funds of a lodge than Takes receipt. to pay them over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor.—1890, 14.

915. It is the Secretary's duty to study the forms, Study forms. and make minutes of proceedings according thereto .-Reg. 651, 987; Code, 43.

916. Secretaries are required to send to the chapters, Notify chap- in whose jurisdiction their lodges may be situated, the names of all brothers who may be suspended, expelled and reinstated.-1876, 49; 1889, 136; Reg. 146.

917. The Secretary is required to keep a true and Keep true faithful record of all proceedings proper to be written.* Approving The only question to be decided upon motion to adopt minutes is, has the Secretary faithfully and truly recorded what was actually done?—[Reg. 668, 669.] he has, the minutes should be approved and signed by the Master.—[Reg. 636.] If the lodge has trampled upon the rights of any brother, transcended its powers in any way, it is from that action the aggrieved brother should appeal.†—1875, 57. See Reg. 21, 843.

918. It is improper for the Secretary to use expres-

Appeal.

^{*}Minutes are not, technically, "adopted," but are approved as being a correct record of business transacted. †To Grand Lodge.

sions belonging to the unwritten work, in his minutes. Improper words in record.

919. Secretaries should conform strictly to the printed Instructions of Gr. Secretary.

67; 1881, 18.

920. Any man of ordinary sense, who will read the Grand Secretary's directions on the back of the printed Return blanks. [blank] returns, ought to be able to make out a report without an error; and we trust in future Secretaries will be more careful.—1873, 63.

921. Returns of officers elect must be made on postal Return of officers on blanks, card blanks, before January 1. If blanks are not re-when. ceived write to Grand Secretary for them.—1881, 17.

- 922. Immediately after each election of officers, the Secretary shall report to the Grand Secretary the names of the officers so elected and appointed, and in the event of a subsequent appointment, as is herein held to be legal, the Secretary, in a supplemental report, shall notify the Grand Secretary thereof.—1890, 18.
- 923. If blanks do not come to hand acknowledge Receipt for receipt of proceedings on postal cards.—1881, 18.
- 924. In sending money do not fail to write a letter sending money. showing from whom, [what lodge, amount,] and for what purpose it is sent.—1881, 18.
- 925. Always give postoffice address, [and county] Correspond'ce. name and number of lodge, in writing.—1881, 18.
- 926. Letters of Grand Secretary must be promptly Promptreply. answered.—1881, 18.
- 927. The Secretary should read the Constitution, and Read law and obey it, as he is pledged to do.—1881, 17.
- 928. Should study especially that part of the Constitution and Digest [Regulations] under Master, Secretary, Appeals, Records of Lodges, Forms of Documents. —1881, 18.
- 929. The Secretary has no more right to hold the Not to hold lodge moneys than the Tyler or any other private member has. It is his positive duty to pay over all his collections to the Treasurer once a month, and oftener if Pay monthly; the lodge meets more frequently. It is the Worshipful

Master en- Master's duty to see that he does this. It is the prerogforces it;
Treas. to de- ative of the Treasurer to demand that he shall do this,
and on failure, to report the defaulting Secretary to the
Sec'y may be lodge. The Master is justified in removing a Secretary
who persistently uses money to which he has not the
shadow of a right.—1877, 17.

or suspended. tary "for the remainder of his official term."—1891, 54.

931. The lodge has the right to prefer charges and Charges vs. try the Secretary during his term, which is until his successor is elected and installed.—1891, 54.

SENIOR DEACON.—See Deacons.

SENIOR WARDEN.—See Wardens.

SENTENCE.—See Dues, Non-payment, Penalty, Reversal, Suspension, Trial.

SICK.

Expense, at on any lodge, to pay for articles furnished or attention given to a sick brother by another lodge, in the absence of a contract to that effect.—1873, 44.

933. Any brother who refuses to obey the requst of Refuse to sit the Master to take his turn with the other brethren, in Unmasonic. sitting up with a sick member of his lodge, is guilty of unmasonic conduct and is amenable to charges.—1876, 19.

SIDE DEGREES.

934. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky does not recognized. Not recognized recognized recognized recognized. 14, 15, 143.

SIGNATURE.—See Forms for Records in Trials, Lodge Minutes.—Note p. 133.

SPECIFICATION.

'State fact, not 935. Specification which states a conclusion and not conclusion. a fact is not good.—1880, 42.

936. Specifications should be sufficiently certain in Certain as to time, place, fact allegation of time, place and circumstance to apprise the defendant of the exact act complained of .- 1873, 46.

937. Allegations as to a specific act is essential.—1888, 40.

938. The specification is too indefinite as to time which says: "Some time in the spring and fall of last year (1883)," not being sufficient to inform the accused of the charge against him with enough accuracy to enable him to prepare a defense thereto.—1884, 38.

939. A lodge may be directed to make specifications, under a charge, more definite and certain, and make other proceedings according to Masonic law governing trials .-- 1885, 60.

940. A specification is defective and erroneous that does not state [that is, allege circumstances which, if true, would constitute a Masonic offense; when it does not show that a particular offense was committed; when it sets forth no time at which the offense complained of was committed.-1885, 60.

SUBSTITUTE.

A substitute is merely a form of amendment, and should be so treated. See "Rules for Conducting Business" in latter part of this book.

941. A substitute which is simply a reversal of a mo- Reversal of tion that, if adopted, would have the same result to be obtained by voting down the original question, is not in order.*—1886, 58.

SUIT.

942. Subordinate lodges are not acting unmasonically Collection by to collect loaned money by suit, because the principal or surety are members of the lodge, and it is not indispensably necessary to suspend the debtor before bringing suit.—1871, 18.

SUITS IN LAW, ETC.—Reg. 209-211, 532.

^{*}Which means this, for example: A motion to adopt being made, an amendment that the report (or whatever it is) be not adopted, would be out of order, because voting against the original motion would have the same effect.

SUMMONS.

943. A summons is the most forcible writ known to Most forcible Masonry. So long as he is a member of the fraternity writ. Must be obey'd. a Master Mason must obey this writ, whether non-affiliated, a member of the lodge issuing the citation, or otherwise. Disobedience thereof would constitute one of the gravest of Masonic offenses.—1891, 47.

Who signs, 944. A legal summons ought to have the Master's With seal. [and Secretary's, Reg. 945] signature and the seal of Who serves. the lodge attached, and must be placed in the hands of a brother who can testify that the summons was duly served.—1876, 19; Reg. 946.

In trial. 945. A summons in trial of a brother to be legal must be by order of the lodge, signed by the Secretary, with seal of lodge attached. Should the Master also sign it does not invalidate the summons.—1879, 27.

of a registered letter, even to a man in prison.—1881, 57.
947. Disobedience of a lodge summons sent by mail is not a Masonic offense, unless it can be shown the summons was received.—1892, 9.

D'sobedience. 948. The willful failure or refusal to obey a Masonic summons, lawfully issued, is an act of insubordination, for which charges should be preferred.—1871, 17.

Notice, when a summons.

949. Notice to a brother to attend a stated meeting, to show cause why he should not be suspended for non-payment of dues, considered a legal summons.—Reg. 323, 966.

Answers by 950. A letter is not such an answer to a summons as letter not law- is contemplated by law; but the lodge may, if it choose,

Lodge may condone the contempt, and, the reasons therein being deemed insufficient, suspend him, or, accepting them, grant further time for payment or remit his dues altogether.—1890, 12.

Action postponed.

951. A summons to appear on a certain night and pay dues, or show cause against suspension, does not make it necessary for the lodge to take action that meeting.—1877, 16; Reg. 323, '4.

SUSPEND, SUSPENDED, SUSPENSION.

952. Suspension from "the rights and privileges of Non-payment. Masonry" for non-payment of dues, is a sentence approved by the Grand Lodge on appeal.-1866, 31.

953. Unless the by-laws of a subordinate lodge declare to the contrary, a majority vote is sufficient to sus- Majority rule. pend or expel.—1871, 17; 1877.

954. A member must be cited to appear, as in Regu- Previous citalation 15 [now Art. vii, Sec. 5] of Constitution, before he can be suspended for non-payment of dues.—1873, 43; Reg. 323.

955. A member notified to appear before the lodge to show cause why he should not be suspended, but Failing to apfailing to appear, his indebtedness being clearly shown at a subsequent meeting, he may be suspended .-1871, 48.

956. Suspensions without trials are improper and Without trial. illegal. No brother should be suspended for non-pay- Non-paym't; ment of dues or other complaint until after due notice and fair trial,* according to law.-1878, 30.

957. On complaint of — that his lodge refused to Lodge must reinstate him from suspension for non-payment of dues. particulars," He claims that he owes the lodge nothing; that he stands unjustly suspended, and says the lodge will not give him a statement of his account, covering the time he has been a member thereof, which he has applied The lodge should give him said statement, and if, as he claims, he owes it nothing, he should not be denied the right of affiliation. If the lodge claims he is Opportunity indebted to it he should be given an opportunity to offer proof, an impartial hearing, and a correct record kept; so if any member desires an appeal the matter can come Right of ap-

958. A suspended Mason under charges can not be Can't enter admitted in open lodge during his trial, but he may ap- May attend

intelligibly and properly before the Grand Lodge.-

1879, 69.

^{*}It is now held that notice in case of suspension for n. p. d., which gives an opportunity to be heard in his own defense, is sufficient, hence a *trial* contemplated by law is very simple.—Reg. 323, 957. See Code 163-195.

pear before the committee, and has the right to be rep-Represented. resented in the lodge by any Master Mason in good standing.—1872, 18.

Osn't enter for the purpose of attending his trial, or for any purpose whatever.—1877, 16.

Penalty for so A suspended Mason is amenable for entering a lodge.—Reg. 243.

960. A brother who is suspended by a lodge is sussuspends from pended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry; all rights. and one of the rights was the privilege of visiting the lodge and mingling with the brethren there assembled.

Can't be in the A brother has no right in the lodge during his term of suspension.—1875.

Cause does not be well separated in its general effects and consequences, under our Constitution, from a suspension for any other cause. The brother is rightfully suspended in cases of Refusal to pay this kind when he is able to pay his dues and refuses to do so; and he should not be suspended if good cause is of defense, the shown for non-payment. But of this cause and his enlodge is judge.

Appealable. must be the judge, subject, however, to an appeal to this Grand Lodge.—1873, 64.

962. A lodge may lawfully suspend a member who Necessary steps has been legally summoned to appear and show cause why he should not be suspended for non-payment of dues, whether he answer or not.—1890, 12.

By ballot. 963. Suspension for non-payment of dues must be by ballot.—1891, 52.

Indefinite. "Indefinite suspension" unlawful. See Reg. 819.
964. A brother can be suspended for non-payment of
For n. p. d. is dues without fixing the period for which he shall stand
suspended. Such suspension is not "indefinite"—it is
until the delinquent's dues are paid. The party alone
can fix the limit by payment.—1891, 52.

On request, 965. The action of a lodge in suspending a member, upon request, for non-payment of dues, is a nullity.

He can only be suspended after citation, etc.—1889, Must be cited. 20, 75.

966. When a delinquent member has been notified of Steps in ren. the amount of his indebtedness, and cited to appear before his lodge to make his defense, the constitutional requirements have been complied with, and the lodge may suspend him for non-payment of dues. If, after this notification, the member fails to appear, the lodge Failure to anmay suspend him without further ceremony, or may in its discretion summon him to appear to answer said summons, may cause charges to be preferred against May be expel'd. him, and expel him for unmasonic conduct.—1882, 76, See Reg. 326, and foot-note page 88.

967. The record of a suspension of a brother reads Defective recas follows: "Motion, secon [ded] and carried that C. B. T. be suspended for non-payment of dues." This is all that the minutes of the lodge show with reference to the suspension. Held, that the lodge had no jurisdic- Citation essention to suspend the brother without first citing him to appear and show cause why he should not be suspended. The action of any tribunal in a case of which it has no Want of jurisdiction or of nojurisdiction is null. In this case the record failing to tice, annuls. show that the brother had any notice of the proceedings, or opportunity of making defense, the pretended suspension is pronounced null and void.—1887, 13.

968. A ballot which may deprive a brother of his Ballot, to give Masonic standing is of equal importance (to ballot for or forfeit rights. degrees, etc.), at least to him. No business of such importance as either giving the right to become a Mason, or depriving a brother of any of his Masonic rights, can be transacted at other than a regular meeting.-1886, 26; xi, 4.

969. Can a lodge suspend members by a sweeping sweeping, or resolution or conditionally—that is, voting that all of a pension. class coming under certain conditions shall be suspended? The Constitution, Art. vii, Sec. 5, guarantees to every brother the right to be heard before any penalty can be inflicted, and each case must stand on its own

Ballot in each merits, and the ballot must be taken on each individual case.—1886, 26.

Conditional.

970. A lodge can not by vote suspend a member conditioned upon his performing, or failure to perform, a certain specific duty or act. A Mason can be suspended only for an offense committed and complete. A lodge can not say to one of its members that if he commits an offense at any time in the future he shall stand suspended without further action of the lodge; Offense proven but the offense must be committed and proved, and the brother be given an opportunity to be heard in his own defense before any penalty can be inflicted.—1886, 26.

before penalty.

Conditional, void.

971. A lodge where records were burned ordered that all members should appear in a reasonable time and enroll their names, otherwise they should be treated and considered as suspended Masons, of which the appellant is said to have been notified. Held-That the lodge had the right to remit all dues, and the effect of its order was to remit said dues, but that the action of the lodge in suspending, or attempting to suspend, any member on failure to enroll his name, was a nullity, and is absolutely void. -1886, 53; Reg. 329, 330.

972. The suspension of a member for non-payment Suspension for of dues, while other charges are pending against him, n. p. d. while under charges. is not to be commended under ordinary circumstances; Suspended may but the lodge is not thereby precluded from proceeding with the trial of the other charges.—1887, 13.

973. A suspended Mason may be tried for a Masonic By what lodge. offense by any lodge in whose jurisdiction he resides .-1888, 17.

974. A brother suspended for non-payment of dues Can't reinstate can not be reinstated after his death. But when the the dead. record of the suspension shows that the proceeding was a nullity, the fact that he died in good standing may be officially declared.—1887, 13, 14.

There is no obligation to assist a suspended brother. No aid for suspended. -See Aid.

Grand Master may suspend a Master.—Reg. 441. The Master. Master may suspend an officer.—Reg. 743. Lodge officer.

SUSPENDED LODGES.—See Lodges Defunct.

SYMBOLISM.—See Reg. 415, 416.

TESTIMONY.—See Evidence, Trial, Witness.

TREASURER.

975. The Treasurer is elective; if his successor fails to be installed the old Treasurer holds over.—1891, 51.

Elective. Holds over.

Pays when.

976. It is the duty of the treasurer to pay all drafts made on him by the lodge in the order in which they are presented, if properly drawn and certified. He has no right to, nor authority over, the funds of his lodge Custodian. other than as their custodian; and failure or refusal to obey the mandate of the lodge or Master, when legally Obeys orders expressed, renders him subject to discipline.—1890, 12.

977. Ordinarily upon the order of the lodge and Master alone [certified to by the Secretary*] should the Treasurer pay out lodge moneys in his hands; though subordinate lodge by-laws may change his duties in this Law may be changed. respect.—1879, 27.

978. It is the prerogative of the Treasurer to demand Demands of that the Secretary shall [pay over lodge money promptly and, on his failure, to report the defaulting Secre- Reports default tary to the lodge.—1877, 17; Reg. 912-914.

TRIAL.

979. A Mason can not be punished until after due Necessary to punishment. trial.—1873, 47.

980. A Master Mason can not be deprived of his rights, as such, except by due trial and conviction.-1878, 5.

981. Each brother must have due summons and sep- separate, for arate trial for any other offense. +- 1879, 27.

982. A brother tried and acquitted can not be again Acquitted can tried for the same offense, the trial being in proper form same offense.

seal.—See Reg. 905.
†Trial for non-payment of dues is reduced to the simplest form of citation, with opportunity to be heard. See Code, 163-175.

^{*}That he may have data for his own accounts. He also has charge of the

Acquitted can't and legal, although new evidence may be found after be retried. acquittal.—1866, 31.

983. If a trial for unmasonic conduct is in form, evidence all taken for and against and heard by the lodge, and then the accused is cleared by the lodge, the case can not be again opened on the same charges, even if it is known that a mistake was made in getting up the case, or some ruling of the committee or Master was Rule in crimi- erroneous. The same rule as in criminal cases before the civil courts holds good in Masonic trials.-1878, 5.

984. Master Masons holding membership in other

and may demand a trial thereon. + Non-affiliated Ma-

nal courts hold.

Tried where jurisdictions must be tried where they hold membermembership is, Any lodge pre- ship.* It is the duty of any lodge to prefer charges, fers charge.

May demand have them authenticated and forwarded to the lodge, trial.

Non-affiliate. sons must be tried by the nearest lodge .- 1879, 19, 26. 985. In Masonic trials it is the duty of the Junior Who exam. Warden, and, when the charges are preferred by anines witness. other, the accuser, to be present at the meetings of the committee, and examine the witnesses for the prosecu-A like privilege is granted the accused and his attorney.—1877, 15.

986. The trial must in every instance conform to the Conforms to requirements of law in every substantial particular .-1890, 14.

987. It is the duty of those conducting a trial to make Duty to know themselves familiar with the law, which gives full instructions as to every step. It is likewise the duty of The Secretary. Secretaries to study the forms for keeping the minutes of proceedings and for making out records to be sent to the Grand Lodge.—1892, 45.

Informality may be waived.—Reg. 489. Informality.

988. The authority to try the facts and determine the Lodge to try. punishment is vested in the lodge alone.—1881, 59.

989. As to the action of a lodge after a plea of guilty Action after plea. it is to be borne in mind that the functions of a lodge

^{*}See modification of this in amended Constitution, Article xii, Section 1. †In Kentucky, of course.

are both judicial and legislative. As a court it would As a court. be its duty to determine the degree of guilt and pronounce judgment. There can be no question, however, that if the accused is penitent the lodge may, acting in Pardoning its legislative capacity, pardon him, which, when done, ipso facto terminates the trial.-1890, 14.

990. A suspended Mason can not enter an open lodge Suspended can for the purpose of attending his trial or for any purpose whatever.—1877, 16; Reg. 958.

991. It is not only proper, but usually advisable, for Visitors. a Master to exclude visitors when a trial is in progress in the lodge.—1877, 16; Code, 115.

992. It was their (Committee on Lodge Trials) duty Evidence for and against. to report the evidence for as well as against the accused.--1884, 35.

993. A witness before a committee of investigation Who votes. is not disqualified from voting. Every member of the lodge in good standing [if not interested] is entitled to vote.--1884, 11; Rule 13, page 39.

994. Affidavits sworn to before an officer authorized Affidavits. to administer oaths are admissible as evidence in a Masonic trial.—1877, 15.

995. Proper affidavits should be admitted when offered in evidence.—1885, 60.

996. Profanes can not be compelled to testify in a Profanes. Masonic trial, though their testimony is admissible.— 1877, 14.

997. The testimony of "common fame" is not admis- Common fame. sible in Masonic trials, otherwise this would open the flood-gates of calumny and abuse. The persons who can truthfully testify as to a brother's faults are usually slow and reticent, but the manufacturers of "common fame" are restrained by no law save that of malice and Those who have suffered from the wicked tongue of "common fame" are loudest in condemnation of it, and we are loth to permit such a Grand Lodge deliverance [admitting such evidence] to go to the lodges.—1877, 15, 64.

Method of be whether the charge should be sustained. The method of procedure, as laid down by Bro. H. B. Grant, in his Fixed by the Digest* and Code [par. 117, "Trial and Its Incidents"], should be substantially followed.—1884, 35.

Right of ac-demanded the right of making a statement of facts in his own behalf, which right was denied him. We know of no rule of Masonry debarring an accused brother of this right, and the practice has been uniform, so far as Not fair trial we know, to allow him to make such statement. We think his request should have been granted, and by the denial of it he failed to receive a fair trial.†—1884, 36.

Accused rep- and tried before a Masonic tribunal, should be not only resented;
May state facts. allowed, but also requested, to make his statement of the facts connected with the offense charged against him.—1875, 44.

Discussion af mitted, after the accused retires, which is a reasonable ter accused retires.

Discussion af mitted, after the accused retires, which is a reasonable construction of the word "deliberate," and is not contrary to the practice of juries.—1891, 100.

Audible vote guilt, a viva voce vote is never permissible.—1890, 14.1003. The power to pronounce a verdict of "guilty"

Lodge deter- or "not guilty" rests with the lodge alone, and can not be delegated.—1884, 35.

Civil courts do the civil courts does not affect his Masonic status nor not deprive of Masonic rights, deprive his family of any rights conferred by his membership therein. A Mason can be divested of Masonic rights only by the Masonic Order.—1890, 13.

And have no the lodge from trying if the peace and harmony of the effect in bar, etc. Craft demand it. Nor does conviction by the courts require trial by the lodge unless the good of the Order demands it.—1893, 7.

^{*}Formerly the style of this volume, in its first and second editions. †Code 109, 110, 112.

1006. Declaring a trial *irregular* is to order a new Effect of "irtrial, leaving the accused under charges.—1884, 11; regular." Reg. 687.

TYLER.—See Grand Tyler, Officers.

VIOLENCE.

1007. The lodge [or Master] has the right to guard Exclusion against violence, even to the extent of excluding the violent man from the lodge-room.—1879, 48.

VISIT, VISITING.

1008. The right to visit belongs to Master Masons The right. only. Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts can only be admitted as visitors when vouched for. No one can Vouched, exbe examined as a visitor to whom the proper test can not be administered.—1876, 21.

affiliation, and dismission forfeits it. There being, however, no prohibitory statute against it in this jurisdiction, a visiting demitted brother usually is admitted by Non-affiliated. courtesy; but it is one of the prerogatives of a Master to determine what visitors shall be admitted to his lodge.

Master and members' rights of visitor.—Reg. 1012].

qualified; and the Master has the right to exclude for Master may sufficient reasons.—1879, 27.

a demitted Mason visiting the lodge, and his motive can not be inquired into.—1892, 10.

1012. Any member of the lodge may object to the presence of any person not a member of the same lodge. To the presence of a lodge should be compelled to sit in a member, lodge with anyone not a member with whom he objects to sit. If the member be in the lodge when a visitor's request for admission is presented the objection of the member to the introduction of the visitor should be re-

And this is to spected. Any other course would destroy the peace and harmony of the lodge.—1891, 57. See also Reg. 705.

1013. A demitted Mason has no right to visit a lodge,

Non-affiliated. only a matter of courtesy, and the objection of any member may debar him from entrance.—1888, 17.

Register, demitted. 1014. All visitors should be required to register, and if demitted, to show the demit.—1888, 17.

Affiliated's Masons only. By courtesy it is extended to unaffiliated right.

Master's pow'r. Masons; but the prerogative of the Master to determine what visitors shall be admitted to his lodge, whether affiliated or unaffiliated, is not to be abridged.

—1890, 11. See also Reg. 1012.

In trials. Visitors may properly be excluded at trials.—See Code 115; Reg. 991.

VOTE.

Audibly or by 1016. Votes in lodge are viva voce. [Reg. 248.]
Or by ball or paper. [Reg. 51-55, 350; Code, 126.]

No inquiry. 1017. No inquiry can be made as to how a member voted.—1892, 9.

All must. 1018. A member must vote unless excused by his lodge.—1892, 9.

Master's. 1019. The Master of a lodge has not two votes in case of a tie.—1892, 8.

Lodge excuses. not in the Worshipful Master alone but in the lodge, and rests with the majority. The lodge may excuse him without requiring his reasons for asking to be excused.—1889, 17.

Rights. Can not debar from vote without notice and trial.

—Reg. 729.

VOUCHING.

simply from an examination prior to the meeting of the lodge? Three brothers, A, B and C, are mutual friends. A and B have met in the lodge. A and C have also met in like manner. If A vouches for B to C can C vouch for B in the lodge, A not being pres-

ent? Answer. A brother can vouch for a visitor only only when when he knows that visitor to be a Mason. Yes; pro-son vided that, in the judgment of the lodge, the brother vouching for the visitor is competent to make a strict examination. A, B and C being present, and A vouches And identity to C for this brother B, it would be competent for C to perfect. vouch for B in the lodge, A not being present; but if A should vouch to C for B, B not being present, C could not vouch for B in the lodge, as there would be a possibility of mistaken identity.—1886, 23, 24.

1022. What is meant by legal Masonic information? Lawful infor-Answer. Lawful information can only be received from one whom we know to be competent to impart it, and it must be positive and beyond question, and imparted for Masonic purposes, not casually. The voucher voucher's evshould also give the evidence upon which he vouches for the visitor: as, I have examined or met this brother in lodge while working in the First, Second or Third degree, as the case may be. Vouching is bearing wit- Definition. ness, and in witness-bearing we should tell that only which we know to be true.—1886, 24.

1023. A lodge can not recognize or admit as an En- E. A. tered Apprentice one who fails to produce satisfactory evidence that he has taken the degree. This evidence must be positive, proving the fact beyond a doubt. Ev- Proof positive. idence that does not so convince the mind is not sufficient. And if insufficient, the lodge may ignore it wholly and treat the person as a profane.—1889, 20.

WARDENS.

1024. The Wardens especially should be able to fill Able to fill the Master's place in his absence.—1871, 17, 62.

^{*}Formerly the law was: "If the Master goes abroad....resigns, demits or is deposed, the Senior Warden shall forthwith fill his place....and in his absence the Junior Warden... [and if a Past Master, 'upon the presumption of his experience and skill in conducting the business of the lodge,' is invited to preside] nevertheless such Past Master still derives his authority under the.... Warden, and can not act until he congregates the lodge. If none of the officers be present, nor any former Master to take the chair, the members according to seniority and merit shall fill the places of absent officers."—Const. and Ill. of M.: adopted by Gr. L. of Ky., 1808; 2d ed., 1818, 53, 54. Compare with present Const., Sec. 4, Art. v. The law of 1808, 1818, is in almost the exact words of Ahiman Rezon.—Penn., 1783, 45, 55.

Should study. 1025. The Wardens should study the Constitution, etc.—1888, 18; Reg. 652.

If not P. M., Masters, can not legally install the Master elect. can't install the Master. 1872, 18.

Have full clothed in every particular [except as in 1026] with full power.

power of a Master.—1879, 26; Reg. 1038.

May call others to chair. May call to his assistance any Master Mason to preside during the time, regardless of the presence of any Past Master.—1869, 104.

1029. Senior Warden may call to order and resign the gavel to a Past Master, and after so doing take his Power of P. station in the West. Said Past Master is then clothed with all the powers of the Master, Senior Warden reserving none.—1879, 27. Compare with Reg. 1031.

Suspended to his assistance any Past Master of the lodge; but if he call the suspended Master, as Past Master, he must not be allowed to preside over the deliberations or make rulings affecting the rights of lodge or members. He But may assist. may assist, upon request of the Senior Warden, in con-

1031. It would be well for the Junior Warden, or Maycalla P.M. any one occupying the Master's chair, to call to his assistance an experienced Past Master, yet it is the prov-

ferring degrees.—1891, 52.

Or M. M. to ince of the Master [i. e., the one occupying the chair ex officio] to call to his assistance any Master Mason.

Either have A Warden presiding is clothed with the powers and power of Master. While the Warden is present, and a brother acts for him, the act of the brother is that of the Warden, and the conference of a degree, in a lodge in charge of the Junior Warden, by a brother

And work is called to his assistance for that purpose, would be regular. lar, and the candidate would be properly invested with the degree so conferred.—1891, 56.

Subject to 1032. Junior [or Senior] Warden is subject to charges

during his term of office, and any brother deeming it his duty, may prefer them.—1879, 27.

1033. When charges are pending, or are about to be Charges pendpreferred, against a Senior Warden-elect, the same rule five. obtains as when charges have been, or are about to be preferred against the Master-elect.—1890, 11.

1034. A Senior Warden, acting as Master of the lodge Not exempt in the stead of the Master, is not exempt from trial and from trial. punishment for a Masonic offense.—1888, 14.

1035. When the lodge is in charge of the Senior Must be pres-Warden he must act and be present and see that the ent, when. lodge is opened for business. For failure or refusal to Failure, in discharge his duties he would become amenable to dis- duty. cipline by the lodge.-1891, 56.

1036. The term "elected" in Regulation II [now Elected, same Art. vii, Sec. 8] of Constitution, in case of a recently as appointed. chartered lodge, is synonymous with "appointed;" and when in a new lodge there are no Past Wardens except Eligibility to those mentioned in the charter, they are eligible to the office of Master .- 1873, 12.

1037. It is not required by the Constitution that the service to qual-Warden shall have served a year, but that he shall have ify for W. M. been "elected and served." Now, the Grand Lodge In new lodges. has said that in case of a new lodge this means the same as "appointed and served." This construction makes the Wardens eligible for the office of Master whether there are any other Past Wardens in the lodge or not. -1887, 12.

1038. The Senior Warden, in the absence of the Mas-. In Master's ter, and in the absence of Master and Senior Warden, the Junior Warden can perform all the functions of the Power of Wardens, Master except the installment of the Master-elect. can do that, too, if he be a Past Master. The Warden in charge of the lodge can call upon any Past Master present to install the Master-elect .-- 1886, 22.

1039. The Senior Warden, or in his absence the Junnior Warden, must take charge of the lodge in the Mas- Must take ter's absence. He may preside or call some Past Master charge. to the chair after first calling the lodge to order. It is

Need not be not necessary that the Warden should be a Past Master before he can preside.—1888, 15.

1040. The Senior Warden assuming the duties of Master upon the Master's death is not required to be a Past Master.—1888, 16.

Ability to fill Should be able to fill the Master's place.—Reg.—
1054.

Service in oth- another State, is not eligible as Master here, unless he has also served as Warden here.—1888, 19.

Can't set aside and cause a new election to be held, because the Warden was not in the lodge-room at the time.—1888, 15.

Appointing Deacon by consent of the Master.—1888, 18. See Deacon.

Gr. W.'s duty. 1044. Grand Wardens' duty to attend the meeting of Home Directors.—See Grand Master.

WEAPONS.

Carrying. the rules of decorum and common decency, for a brother to enter a lodge-room "carrying a weapon," and subjects him to rigid Masonic discipline.—1879, 27.

WIDOW.

Marrying pro- having voluntarily abandoned the state of Masonic widowhood, can not demand assistance from the Craft.

Aid to her. Aid may be voluntarily granted, but there is now no Masonic obligation to assist her.—1891, 46.

WIFE.—See Witnesses.—Code 71, 154-'5.

WITNESSES.

1047. In summoning witnesses for a lodge trial, the Lodge sum'ons. lodge should issue the summons. The chairman of a Com'tee can't. committee can not legally summons.—1876, 21.

1048. Testimony of profanes and negroes may be Profanes, netaken.—Reg. 363-'6. Code 158.

in a trial of the husband for abuse, mistreatment and accusation of lack of virtue. The accusation is one of a Masonic offense, and this without regard to the question or fact that the wife was or was not a Mason's daughter Daughter. or a member of the Eastern Star.—1886, 55-57.

WORK AND LECTURES.

1050. The Grand Lodge, which is sovereign within Gr. L. power its jurisdiction, has a right to legalize work.—1892, 54.

1051. The work and lectures agreed upon by the Authorized, commission [1892, 14] is declared to be the only authorized work and lectures of this jurisdiction.—1892, 42.

1052. After the year 1897 no other work and lectures Obligatory, shall be used in the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of When Kentucky.—1892, 42.

1053. It is improper for the Secretary to use expres-words of, in sions belonging to the unwritted work in his minutes.

—1866, 39.

1054. The work in the lodge-room should be per- How rendered; formed impressively and with verbal accuracy. The welfare and future usefulness of the initiate may be de- why so. pendent upon the manner in which our infinite truths are made known; the head, heart and mind should unite in giving them impressive utterance; every officer should learn to be able to perform not only his own but the duties of every other station—the Wardens, especially, should be able to fill the Master's place in his absence. The lodge thus blessed will find the heathful Effect. contagion spreading from officers to members, ready to fully co-operate and make the ceremonies attractive, and their returns to the Grand Body present an exhibit to excite emulation and general usefulness.—1870, 17.

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FOR

MASONIC TRIALS.

This division of the Book of Constitutions is called THE CODE, because it is an orderly collection and system or digest of laws for Masonic trials.

GENERAL REMARKS.

- I. "A Mason is obliged, by his tenure, to obey the A Mason's moral law."

 This is that eternal, immutable law of duty.

 What "moral good and evil which the Creator himself, in all His dispensations, enforces, and which He has enabled human reason to discover so far as necessary to the conduct of human actions.2
- 2. This being the duty of every Mason, it follows

 Masonic of that any violation of the laws of God is an offense
 enses.

 Their charac- against Masonry.³ These laws are both negative and
 positive in character—negative, in forbidding any wrongful act, the performance of which would be contrary
 to the revealed will of God, such as profanity, Sabbathbreaking, murder, theft, adultery, evil-speaking or falsewitness, etc., and positive, in requiring the performance

¹ Old Charges, i, 1722. A good Mason, then, is an honest man; pays his duty to his Creator; . . . cul ivating his mind and behavior . . . in all the duties of life; one who would willingly do to all men as he would have them do to him; . . . This is the fundamental principle of Masonry.—Con. Gr. L. Ky., 1818. They should be good husbands, good parents, good sons and good neighbors; not staying too long from home; avoiding all excesses injurious to themselves or families.—Con. Gr. L. Ky., 1818, 49; Reg. 675, foot-note.

2 Blackstone, Introd.

2 Any violation of the laws of God. constitutes an offense against Management.

³ Any violation of the laws of God . . . constitutes an offense against Masonry.—Rob Morris, in Voice of Masonry, 1859.—Reg. 713.

4 We will not admit the possibility that any reasonable man, who has been

⁴ We will not admit the possibility that any reasonable man, who has been educated in a Christian community, can for a moment seriously entertain a doubt that gambling, intemperance and profane swearing are, in themselves and in their influences, immoral and of evil tendency. Being immoral they are unmasonic.—Gray's (Miss.) Mystic Circle, 283. See also Pro. Gr. L. Ky., 1858, 116; Deut. v, 11. To avoid all manner of slandering and backbiting of true and faithful brethren, with all malice and unjust resentment, or talking disrespectfully of a brother's person or performance. Nor... to suffer others to spread unjust reproaches or calumnies against a brother behind his back, nor injure him in fortune.—Con. Gr. L. Ky., 1818, 49. Avoiding all wrangling and quarreling, all slander and backbiting; not permitting others to slander an honest brother, but defending his character and doing him all offices as far as is consistent with your honor and safety, and no farther.—Anc. Charges, vi, 6; Reg. 713-720.

of virtuous deeds such as being himself industrious,1 warning of danger,2 feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, binding up the wounds (mental and physical) of the afflicted-"doing good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."3 The The summary. obligations of a Mason may be summed up thus: "Cease to do evil; learn to do well."4 It is sufficient then to say, that whenever an act performed by a Mason is contrary to or subversive of the duties which he owes to God, his neighbor or himself, it becomes at once a subject for Masonic investigation and Masonic punishment.5

3. While the judgment of a Masonic lodge does not Effect of a deprive a Mason of life, liberty, or property, it establishes a degree of turpitude calculated seriously to affect his social standing. Our obligations, therefore, demand Obligations, the application of the strictest rules of justice,6 tempered by intelligent love; but not that sentimental "charity" Not sentimentthat permits the guilty to escape,7 and brings contempt upon the fraternity. The innocent should also have clear and perfect exoneration from blame, that "the honor and reputation of the Order may be firmly established, and the world at large be convinced of its good effects."

I He is to labor justly and not to eat any man's bread for nought, but to pay truly for his meat and drink... He is to employ [his leisure] in studying... that he may the better perform all his duties...—Ahiman Rezon, Pa., 1783, 18. Six days thou shalt labor.—Deut. v, 13. See Landmark 50 and its proofs.

2 But ought to defend such brother, and give him notice of any such danger or injury... as far as is consistent with honor, prudence and safety of morality and the State, but no further.—Con. Gr. L. Ky., 1818, 49. Nor must they suffer any to spread unjust reproaches.—Ahiman Rezon.

2 Gal. vi. 10.

suffer any to spread unjust reproaches.—Ahiman Rezon.

3 Gal. vi, 10.

4 Isaiah i, 16, 17. To walk humbly . . . to do justice and love mercy are the true indispensable characteristics of a real Free and Accepted Mason.—Ahiman Rezon, Pa., 1783, 18.

5 Universal Masonic Library, vol. xvii, 302.

6 Masons "should live honestly (that is, without reproach), should injure nobody, and render to every one his just due."—Justinian.

7 To acquit upon light, trivial or fanciful suppositions and remote conjectures is a virtual violation of the juror's oath, and an offense of great magnitude against the interests of society . . . disregard of obligation . . . hindrance of justice and the encouragement of malefactors. On the other hand, a juror ought not to condem unless the evidence exclude from his mind all reasonable doubt as to the guilt of the accused.—Starkie on Evidence, 865. "Let no guilty man escape."—Gen. U. S. Grant.

PENALTIES.1

4. "The only penalties known to Masonry are reprimand, suspension for a definite period, and expul-Masonic. When inflicted. sion;"2 nor can either be inflicted until after due notice and trial.3

5. The only exception to this is a well-established principle of such importance as to approach in dignity Exceptions. "the law of self-preservation"-that gives to a pre-To exclude or siding officer the right to exclude or eject from the assemblage, over which he presides, any person whose insubordination seriously interferes with the business Temporarily, pendent before the body. "The Master of a lodge has the unruly. the right to exclude, temporarily, any member or Mason when he thinks that either his admission, if outside, or his continuance, if present, will impair the peace and harmony of the lodge."4 This is a right that should be exercised with great caution, lest an ill-advised or Cautiously. hasty order of expulsion stir up more discordant elements than would the presence of an unruly person. Effect on stand. Such exclusion does not affect a brother's standing, nor is a previous trial necessary; though he is answerable to Master an the lodge for his misconduct, as the Master is answeraswerable. ble to the Grand Lodge for the use or abuse of the power entrusted to him. This is not then the infliction Not "penalty." of a penalty contemplated by the Constitution, though that may be applied subsequently. It is, so to speak,

6. Reprimand is the mildest form of Masonic pun-Reprimand,

being.

the temporary arrest to preserve peace for the time

^{1 ...} When pronounced, begins immediately upon decision of the lodge, and is not itself suspended by appeal to the Grand Lodge.—Morris' Dict. of Free Ma., 31.

Free Ma., 31.

2 Con. xiii, 1; Reg. SiS. Fines are unmasonic.—Mackey's Juris., 515. Such was not formerly the idea or practice. It is shown in the phototypes of St. John's Lodge, Philadelphia (1731), that Ben. Franklin and others were fined for absence, etc. The Con. Gr. L. Ky., 1818, 42, 43, prescribed fines as do the old MSS., proofs. See Landmark 52 and its proofs.

3 Reg. 819 980. No brother can be deprived of his Masonic rights except after trial, with the opportunity of defense.—Un. M. Lib. xvii, 309.

4 Un. M. Lib. xvii, 308. You are not to . . interrupt the Master, Wardens, or any brother, nor behave yourself [improperly in the lodge], nor use any unbecoming language upon any pretense whatever.—Old Charges, vi, 1722. He [the M..] may direct an unruly member to withdraw from the lodge room.—Connor's Tennessee Digest. It becomes his [the Master's] duty to preserve harmony within by ordering the disorderly member to be excluded. . . If aggrieved he may bring the conduct of the Master before the Grand Lodge.—Gray's Mystic Circle, 405. See McCorkle's Juris., p. 67.

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ishment; but, like all others, it can only be inflicted after regular trial. It must be administered from the Howinflicted, East and in the presence of the lodge. It is one of the And by whom. duties of the Master as the executive officer. He can, however, call to his assistance any Master Mason, who may occupy the chair for that purpose. A reprimand The effect. does not affect the Masonic standing of a brother.1

- 7. Suspension² for a definite period³ is the only suspension recognized by the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Suspensionand it can only be inflicted as the result of a fair and regular trial.4 The degree of this punishment is de- Degree of puntermined by the length of time. During its continuance is himent. Its effect. its effect is to debar the offender from the exercise of every right and privilege which as a Mason he enjoyed before.
- b. The offender having endured the full punishment How terminatawarded, is restored to all the rights he had before sus-ed. pension, and without any further action; or he may be restored on petition by unanimous ballot of the lodge that suspended him, if in existence,7 or by reversal of Extinct lodges. sentence or otherwise by the Grand Lodge. If the lodge that suspended him has ceased to exist he is restored, without action, as a non-affiliated Mason in good standing at the expiration of his penalty.
- c. In suspension for non-payment of dues, proper no- Non-payment tice and an opportunity to be heard are absolutely necessary. The payment of the debt reinstates the brother at once to membership and its rights.8 If suspended by a lodge that afterwards became defunct, the brother re-

I Universal Mas. Lib., xvii, 307. 2 Reg. 952. 3 Reg. SiS.

4 Suspension without trial is illegal.—Reg. 956; Mass. Digest, S4. No sentence of suspension can be imposed upon any Mason except after the most solemn forms of trial.—Mackey's Juris., 520. This, however, does not prevent suspension for non-payment of dues, which can not be done without due notice, and giving the alleged delinquent an opportunity to be heard in his own defense, which is tantamount to a trial.—Const. vii, 5. "An opportunity to be heard in his own defense" unmistakably carries with it the idea of a trial, without which any suspension would be illegal. See Code 167, etc.

5 Reg. 960, 'I. A member suspended . . . is deprived of his rights and privileges as a Mason during . . . suspension. He and his family have no claim on the Fraternity.—Connor's Tenn. Digest, 26. A Mason suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry is, for the time being, as completely deprived of them as an expelled Mason.—Chase's Digest, 322.

6 Mitchell's Com. Law of Masonry, 273; Reg. 873.

7 Ibid., p. 222, 275; Reg. 869.

8 Const., xiii, 3. Suspension for non payment of dues is "definite," in that it terminates at the will of the suspended.—Reg. 964. The "trial" in such cases consists in notice, with opportunity to be heard.—Reg. 966; Code 165.

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> gains his former standing by payment to the Grand Secretary.1

highest penalty. Its effect.

8. Expulsion² is the highest punishment known to Expulsion is Masonry, and is a complete banishment from the Order. It severs all connection with the Fraternity, and fully divests the offender of the last vestige of his Masonic character.3 A Mason can not so much as hold communication with him upon the secrets of Masonry. It is Masonic death. It follows that the offender is cut off from the chapter,4 council, commandery5 and consistory,6 whose members, being Master Masons, can not hold Masonic communication with a Mason who is suspended or expelled, "while resting under that sentence." To be restored he must petition the lodge which ex-

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pelled him, and receive a unanimous ballot for the removal of his sentence,7 or by action of the Grand Lodge.8

PRELIMINARIES TO A LODGE TRIAL.9

o. It should be remembered that the world at large Secrecy en- has no right to know that a brother is under trial. joined. The Master should caution the brethren to this effect, and take such other steps to prevent public scandal as Publication truth, honor and justice may require. The publication unlawful. of expulsions or suspensions in the public press is prohibited,11 without authority of the Grand Master or Grand Lodge, though there is no rule requiring the result to be kept a profound secret.12

10. It can not be presumed that because charges

¹ Reg. 293, 295. 2 Reg. 373-381.
3... He is entirely severed from the Fraternity; he is Masonically dead. He nor his family have any claims... can only be restored by the lodge expelling him...—Connor's Tennessee Digest, 27. An expelled Mason is regarded as a profane.—Iowa, vii ed., 134; Gray's Miss., M. C., 482.
4 And notice must be sent to that body.—Reg. 145. Expelled by his lodge stands expelled by his chapter until restored by the lodge.—Gr. Chap. Ky.,

⁵ Expulsions, etc., from rights, by lodge or chapter . . . deprives a Knight of all rights. . . —Gr. Encamp. Title xxiii, 2.
6 Con. xvi, 1. 7 Reg. 870. 8 Reg. 378.
9 Every brother found guilty of a fault shall stand to the award of the lodge, unless he appeals to the Grand Lodge. —Con., etc., Ky., 1818, 48.
10 It is criminal to make known the secret acts of a lodge. —Mitchell's Common Law of Masonry, 272.

mon Law of Masonry, 253. 11 Con., Art. vii, Sec. 9.

12 Secrecy should be observed until final action, after which the world may know of the expulsion or suspension.—Mitchell's Common Law of Masonry, 254.

are preferred against a brother he is thereby suspended Status under from any Masonic Right, except the right to withdraw Can't demit. from his lodge.1 That privilege is held in abeyance until the matter of complaint can be investigated and settled, because if he was permitted to demit he would be entitled to a certificate setting forth as a fact that he was, at its date, in good standing, which is equivalent to recommending him to the fraternity; whereas he was not in "good standing," but under a cloud of doubt as to his moral or Masonic character, and this must be removed before his lodge could truthfully say or imply that he was free from such taint.

11. The accused, in criminal proceedings, is entitled "to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusa- Informed in criminal accution"2 against him; and this not in general terms, but sation. by a particular statement of all that is material to con- In detail. stitute the offense, set out with reasonable precision and certainty as to time and place, and in the customary forms of law.3

12. The same rule is applied with the utmost force in Masonic trials.4 The accusation against a brother Essentials in Masonic trial. must be drawn up with all the essential precision, certainty and distinctness which are necessary in an indict- Technicality of ment before the courts of the land; though it need not required, be drawn up in the same technical forms, nor with the same strictness of proceedings required in criminal courts. A lodge "should be equally prompt to prevent Nortaken adan escape from a trial by resort to technical objections vantage of. when the accused is not misled by the charges and specifications."5

CHARGES AND SPECIFICATIONS.

13. The first step towards a trial is to make the The first step. formal complaint—that is, to prefer the charge which, The charge-

¹ The accused is to be considered innocent, and entitled to all Masonic privileges [except to demit] until proved to be guilty.—1858, 116. A Mason being under charges deprives him of no Masonic privilege; and should he die in that condition he is entitled to... Masonic burial...—Morris' Dict. F.: M.:, 84. If clear of the books, and no charges pending or about to be preferred, he may demit.—Reg. 262, 263, 278. 2 Constitution of the U. S., vi, Sec. 1. 3 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 3, p. 471. 4 Reg. 149. 5 Drummond's Masonic Text Book (Maine), 215.

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in a Masonic trial, stands in the place of the indictment. Where made; This must be done at a stated meeting of the lodge.1

- 14. A complaint of this nature has two parts:2 the Its parts. The charge, charge proper, which concisely designates the offense; And specifica- and the specification, which alleges the act with time, place and circumstances.3
- 15. The offense, when of that specific quality that it How charged may be reduced to a single word or short sentence expressing a violation of moral or Masonic law, such as Specifically, theft, adultery, slandering a brother Master Mason, habitual profanity, etc., that particular form should be used instead of a general charge. But when the offense Or otherwise. is a mere neglect of Masonic duty or the violation of a purely Masonic obligation, it may be stated as unmasonic conduct, or gross unmasonic conduct, if it can not be more specifically set out.
- 16. The charge must cover the specification, that is, Must cover the it must embrace such an offense as the acts alleged in specification. the specification would show.
- 17. The specification must sustain the charge. That Specification must sustain the is: must embrace such a statement of circumstances or charge; Withoutargu- acts, as would constitute the crime charged. ment. guage must not be stated argumentatively, but be alleged in express and positive terms.
- 18. The accused should be described by his given name, surname, and the degree he has attained.6 Identity. name, number and location of the lodge to which he Non-affiliated, belongs must be given. If non-affiliated, that fact must be stated, together with the place of his abode.
- 19. When the identity is fully and perfectly estab-Trial by an lished, it is not material if he be tried by an alias; or if he alias. has designedly assumed a false name for a sinister pur-

¹ Reg. 155. 2 Con., Art. xii, Sec. 2; Reg. 14S.
3 Reg. 935-940; Mass. Digest, 27. The specification should be sufficiently certain in allegation of time, place and circumstance to apprise the defendant of the exact act complained of.—1873. 46.
4 The charges must correspond with the indictment . . . —Morris, 1859.
5 The indictment must correspondwith the alleged offense . . . The indict

son's.—Mitchell's Com. Law of Masonry, 273.
7 An unaffiliated Mason can not release himself from his responsibilities to the Order.—Universal Mas. Lib., xvii, 338; Gray's M. C. (Miss.), 385.

pose, then the maxim applies that "no man shall be allowed to avail himself of his own wrong."

- 20. The same particularity must be observed in the The injured description of the person, if any, against whom the offense is alleged to have been committed.
- 21. The technicalities of accusation that prevail in Essential principles of military courts, we are not bound to notice, yet plaint observed. in Masonic trials all the essential principles must be observed on which all charges or bills of complaints ought to be framed in all tribunals, namely: that they are sufficiently specific in allegation of time, place and facts to enable the accused distinctly to know what he is to answer, and to be prepared to meet it in proof at the trial. For example: an innocent brother may be charged with robbery. If the time when the robbery occurred is known or can be ascertained it must be stated, as the accused may have been in another locality many miles away during the same hour, and if he prove it, his innocence will be shown. These specific allegations are also necessary to enable the committee to know what it is to inquire into.²
- 22. Unless the precise time and place of the act is a necessary ingredient of the offense, it may be stated as gredients. "on or about" such a day, and the place may likewise be stated as "at or near" such a place; but this should not be permitted if it can be avoided without sacrifice of justice, as it tends to deprive the accused of some advantage to which he is entitled in making his defense. For example: a brother, if drunk, and in that condition visits a lodge, the exact time of the meeting is a matter of record and must be stated; because the offense is aggravated by his presence at that particular time and place. It is therefore understood as a necessary ingredient of the offense "when the same circumstances would on one occasion constitute a crime, though at another it would be different in character."
 - 23. It is nevertheless a general rule that the time and

¹ Judge Advocate General, Sir Robert Grant. 2 Code 11, 12. 3 Green-leaf on Evidence, vol. 3, p. 472.

General rule place of every material fact must be plainly and conas to time and cisely alleged.¹

Written instruments, where they form a part of Written instruments in specifications. the gist of the offense charged, should be recited verments in specifications. batim, and may be introduced by the words "in the words and figures following." But when the substance only is intended to be set forth, it may be introduced by the words "in substance as follows."

How particular should be set forth with particularity, or are declared to be "of like meaning or purport." Where language Profane or obscene the law does not require it to be precisely stated, but does require that its nature be in-Other words dicated only in general and becoming terms. If any words or matter improper to be written are involved, they should be stated to the accused when charges are served upon him, and repeated when called upon to plead, and the fact noted in the record as fully as the nature of the case will admit.

26. The intention of the accused at the time the Intention as an alleged offense was committed may sometimes be a necingredient. essary ingredient of it, and is therefore as necessary to be stated in the specification as any other fact or circumstance which goes to make up the offense. For exam-Examples. ple: A check drawn upon a bank, in which the drawer had no funds, may be the result of a clerical error; but if done with intent to defraud, the intention should be set out in the specification, because it is necessary to make the acts alleged amount to a crime. In like manner the secrets of Masonry may be unintentionally divulged; but if "knowingly or wittingly" done the intent should be averred as aggravating the offense of carelessly revealing what has been "Masonically" confided to the brother's honor.3

But one offense must not be charged in any one specification or count in one count.

With having committed two or more offenses. More

¹ Starkie on Evidence. 2 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 3, p. 507.
3 You should be cautious in your words and carriage, that the most penetrating stranger shall not be able to find out what is not proper to intimate.—
Ancient Charges, v1, 6, 1722.

than one specification may be made under any charge, Specifications under a charge. but each specification can set out but one offense; nor should the specifications be written in abbreviated words. Words full but They should, however, be expressed as briefly as possible consistent with the circumstances of each.

28. The accusation should be headed so as to describe Heading of the nature of the paper without necessitating an entire reading to know its purport, thus: "Charges and specifications preferred against Bro. James J. James, a Master Mason, member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of Sobriety, Blank County, Kentucky."

- 29. Charges must be signed by the brother who Who signs prefers them, or by the Junior Warden in his stead.
- 30. List of witnesses: At the left, and after the sig- List of the witnature, a list of the witnesses should be given, with the address of each opposite his name, together with the degree he has attained, if a Mason; if not a Mason, the word profane is written in place of the degree. This is for the information of the committee and not for the accused, who may or may not be furnished with the list, at the discretion of the Master or of the committee.

31. Who prefers the charges: Any affiliated Master Any M. M. Mason in good standing, whether he be a member of charges. the same lodge or not,1 has the right to prefer charges,2 but a well-established custom has made it the especial duty of the Junior Warden to do so,3 because he is re- Duty of J. W. quired to "see that the Craft pervert not the purposes

I Mackey's Jurisprudence, 560; Reg. 154.

2 It is not only the right but the duty of an affiliated Mason to prefer charges if he knows of the wrong-doing of a brother.—Reg. 152. Whether he be a member of the same lodge or not.—Reg. 153. One who is not a member of the particular lodge may prefer charges against one who is a member.—Mass. Digest, 27. It is the right and duty of every brother to prefer charges himself ...—Mass. Digest, 28.

3 It is the right and duty of any member ... to prefer charges ... but where no one brother ... makes the charges ... it should be officially brought ... by the J. W. as the guardian and supervisor of the Craft ... It is his duty ...—McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 141. Any member of the lodge may be the accuser. Morris' Dictionary of Freemasonry, 134. If left to volunteers it is rarely performed. Every other Masonic duty, however slight, has a covenanted officer deputed to perform it. When performed by volunteers the wrath of the accused is usually aroused against the informer ... The duty of accusation requires skill. There is an officer whose official relations ... involve the duties of an overseer of conduct and morals ... The J. W., because in practice it has proved successful ... he has no other official duties to perform ... his installation charges clearly imply it ... he can do it without giving personal offense ... various Grand Lodges require it.—Rob Morris, in V. of M., 1859.

of refreshment into intemperance or excess." It follows that he should take official notice of intemper-

der charges.

ance in word or act, as well as excesses or violation of Who may or. Masonic law. The lodge or Master may direct the Junior Warden to prefer charges, and may also direct what charges he shall make.1

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32. Personal knowledge: It is not necessary that the Grounds for accuser have personal knowledge of the averments made charges. in the accusation,2 but he ought to have substantial grounds for believing them to be true; for if it should Malicious turn out in proof at the trial that the charges were maliciously false, the lodge should discipline the accuser, although the charges may have been such as would have subjected the accused to reprimand merely if he had been found guilty.3

33. Withdrawing charges: With consent of the How with lodge to which the charges were submitted, but not drawn. otherwise, they can be withdrawn; because when accepted by the lodge they are "in possession," as its property and are beyond the control of the complainant or any save the lodge itself. Such action might be of doubtful propriety,5 and from it any member could appeal.

JURISDICTION.

34. When a member of a lodge, not a resident in its Charges vs. jurisdiction, commits a Masonic offense, courtesy reer jurisdictions, quires that complaint be made to his own lodge⁶ by the lodge nearest his residence.7 It is more than mere

¹ Reg. 157.

2 A non-Mason can not bring charges, neither can a non-affiliated Mason; such persons... may make known the facts, and the J. W. will place them in the form of charges.—Morris' Dict. F. M., 134. Charges by a lady that a brother has made improper proposals must be inquired into by the lodge... No charge is more dangerous... none more worthy of punishment if true... none must be handled with greater caution.—Morris, 1859.

3 Mitchell's Common Law of Masonry, 252.
4 Mitchell's Common Law of Masonry, 207.
5 Charges once presented... regularly taken up for trial ought not to be withdrawn.—Morris, 1859.
6 Drummond's Text Book (Maine), 214. Grand Lodge Conn., 1796.
7 Universal M. Lib., vol. xvii, 337 (Mackey). Whereas, Doubts have arisen whether inferior lodges have jurisdiction and should take cognizance of the defaulter is an actual member of any lodge within the U. S., the lodge in whose precinct he may be guilty... shall inquire into and report the same to the lodge to which he belongs, in order that he may be proceeded against... When accused is not an actual member of any such lodge, the lodge within whose jurisdiction crimes may be committed shall take full cognizance thereof and censure, suspend, or expel.—Ky., 7, 1817. sure, suspend, or expel.-Ky., 7, 1817.

courtesy; it is a right which can not be taken from a By whose conlodge to "exercise penal jurisdiction over its own mem- sent, and why. bers, no matter where they may reside," 1 and they must members. be tried where they hold membership.2 The charges ought first to be submitted to the lodge of which Charges: 1. To the accuser is a member, or secondly, to that in whose accused's lodge. jurisdiction the offense is alleged to have been com- 2. Where of-If they are in proper form, and the nature fense committ'd if proper, etc. of the offense is deemed of sufficient gravity to warrant an investigation, the action of the lodge is entered upon the record and a copy of the charges, duly authenticated Copy to acunder the lodge seal,3 and a certified extract from the cused. minutes, showing the action of the lodge, should be promptly forwarded by the Secretary to the lodge of which the accused is a member. If so authorized, the A committee to take evid'nce, Secretary may proffer the services of a committee from the accusing lodge to take evidence in the case. If accepted, the accusing lodge and its committee are governed by the instructions, if any, of the defendant's How governed. lodge. All this does not, however, preclude the accused's own lodge from taking original action.4 If the Accused's lodge defendant's lodge fails to act, after charges are duly may act. presented, then the accusing lodge may and ought to Failing, what complain to its Grand Master, submitting all the facts to him.

35. The essence of the foregoing is simply this: Penal jurisdicevery Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft, and Master ated. Mason must "stand to the award and determination of the lodge" 5 to which he belongs, because that is "the proper and competent judge"6 of all complaints against him of a Masonic nature. No lodge can exercise jurisdiction over members of another Grand Lodge or subordinate lodge. Any affiliated Master Mason⁸ may Who may pre-bring the complaint, through proper channels, to the fer charges. notice of the lodge having penal jurisdiction.

36. Any lodge within whose jurisdiction a brother

¹ U. M. L., xvii (Mackey's Principles of Masonic Law), 336.
2 Mitcheli's Common Law of Masonry, 206. Grand Lodge Mich., 1857.
3 Reg. 161, 832, 905. 4 Reg. 526, '7. 5 Ancient Charges, vi. 6 Ibid.
Proceedings Gr. L. Ky., 1858, 116. 7 Mackey's Prin. M. Lib., vol. xvii, 337. 8 Reg. 154.

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Penal juris- resides, who does not hold membership in any particular non-affiliates. lodge, may prefer charges and try him; and, if found guilty of an offense against Masonry, may punish as He may appeal. fully as if he were a member of that lodge.1 He has the same rights of appeal as in cases of affiliated Masons.2

37. "A Mason may be charged with and tried for Offenses prior a grave offense committed previous to his initiation, the to initiation. knowledge of which was purposely withheld from the lodge at the time of making." But this is a subject of great delicacy, and should be approached with the utmost caution.

THE COMMITTEE AND PARTIES TO THE TRIAL.

38. Charges against a Mason, from whatever proper How charges source they may come, must be presented at a stated disposed of. meeting,4 and if entertained as being proper as to form Committee to and matter, the Master must "appoint a committee5 of take evidence. not less than three members," who are fair-minded, discreet and experienced Master Masons, "to take the testimony for as well as against the accused." 6 It is better that he appoint five or seven, more certainly to insure the presence of three qualified to act when the committee shall meet. Less than three ought not to proceed with the trial. It is not necessary to wait the result of a criminal trial by courts of law, because the convic-

I The lodge under whose jurisdiction a non-affiliated Mason lives is the only competent body to try him upon charges for unmasonic conduct.—Gr. L. Ky., 1858, 116. Non-affiliates are subject to the jurisdiction of the lodge near which they reside; . . . may be tried . . . and appeal . . . —Connor's Tenn. Digest, 26. The penal jurisdiction of a lodge extends to all its members, and all non-affiliated Masons residing nearer to that than any other.—Common Law of Masonry, 206, 273. A lodge exercises penal jurisdiction over all unaffiliated Masons living within its geographical jurisdiction.—Universal Masonic Lib., xvii, 336. A Mason having demitted . . . is not released from . . . general duties and obligations . . . he voluntarily assumed. They continue through life.—McCorkle's Juris., 150. It follows, if held responsible for transgressing, he is entitled to equal rights with any defendant.—H. B. G.

2 The right of appeal is taught in all the old Regulations . . . as it is hy all civilized governments. Masonry has ever had its court of appeals . . . To this court all subjects below have an inalienable right to apply for redress of grievances.—Mitchell's Com. L. of M., 279. If any may be tried he is to observe the laws of the court, and may claim any advantage growing out of those laws. The right of appeal is inestimable. It is simple justice, hence Masonic.—H. B. G. 3 McCorkle's Jurisprudence. 4 Com. Law of Masonry, 272; Reg. 155. 5 The committee should be appointed at the time the charges are filed.—Reg. 187. 6 Con., Art. xii, Sec. 2.

7 We think it better to try before a numerous committee, before which the accused may meet his accusers face to face.—Mitchell's Com. Law of M., 272. 1 The lodge under whose jurisdiction a non-affiliated Mason lives is the

tion or acquittal before such tribunals will not affect the judgment or action of a Masonic lodge.1

39. The chairman, or first one named on the commit- The chairman. tee, is its spokesman, who presides, conducts its business, maintains order and decides all questions that may Qualifications. arise, but is himself governed by the will of a majority of the committee of which he is a member, having equal voice and vote upon all questions that may arise during its sittings. He ought to be selected with especial care, and on account of his experience and knowledge of Masonic law and usage.

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40. It is unquestionably competent and proper that the Master should serve on the committee as its chair- The Master as man; and unless there is some member of the lodge who is especially qualified for the duties of chairman it is recommended that the Master name four or six brethren upon the committee, and state that he will act with the committee and preside at its meetings. By this course the rulings in committee and lodge will be more in harmony. If the Master acts as chairman he does not wholly lose his identity as Master; because his decisions govern so far as the construction of the law is concerned, yet courtesy to his brethren of the commit- Justice the obtee, as well as justice to accused and accuser, will require him patiently to hear and carefully to weigh the opinions of members of the committee,2 which really Committee acts ought to decide every question before it. This foundation principle should never be forgotten: A Mason The lodge disis not subject to discipline by the Master but by the brethren as a lodge.3

41. By-law 13 of the Grand Lodge applies as well to Interested parsubordinate lodges, and is applicable to any vote or act of any officer or member during a trial. principle of justice also indicates that if the Master is When Master ought not to an interested party he is thereby disqualified from preside. making any decision in the case, or if he is an im-

I Proceedings of courts of law do not affect the course of the lodge.-Drummond's Text Book (Maine), 335.

2 The laws of our Grand Lodge (and others) do not allow of appeals to the lodge from the Master's decision. It will be difficult to find authority for it in the old Regulations.—H. B. G. 3 See "Proofs" under Landmark 28.

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portant witness he ought not to preside at a trial, but should resign the gavel to the most competent Past Master present. If the Master be absent, however, he can not delegate his powers to any one,2 The Wardens' nor ignore the rights of the Wardens, who have the indefeasible right to succeed to all the duties of the Master, and fill the chair when he is absent. In his and the Senior Warden's absence the Junior Warden performs the duties; if all are absent the Junior Past Master present acts.3 The one who lawfully occupies the chair may call any Master Mason to his assistance, and perhaps ought to request some wellinformed brother to do so (whether a member of the lodge or not) if he feels that he is not sufficiently con-Can't preside versant with law and usage. The Junior Warden or any other brother can not act as prosecutor and preside at the trial.

and prosecute.

42. As soon as the committee is announced (or be-Objections to fore the lodge is closed), the Junior Warden, or brother the committee by the accuser. preferring the charges, may object to any member named thereon.5 If the reasons given are deemed good or sufficient, the Master should substitute another lodge Refusal to member in place of the one objected to. If the Master change. refuses to change the committee—and the "prosecutor" so desires—the reasons given should be entered on the record, as well as those stated as grounds for the objection, that the whole matter may properly appear before

the reviewing authority in case of appeal.

The Secretary.

43. The Secretary of the lodge should attend as Secretary of the committee,6 though he has no voice in the

¹ The Master of a lodge, if he preside at a trial, should not testify as a witness in the case. If he be required as a witness he should delegate his duty of presiding to a Past Master; or, if necessary, invoke the assistance of the D. Grand Master.—Mass. Digest, 86 [or some well informed P. M.].

2 He can not appoint a brother to preside in his absence.—Connor's Tenn.

Digest, 26.

3 In the absence of these three the junior Past Master of the lodge present can preside at any stated meeting.—xi, 20; Reg. 810.

4 Ahiman Rezon; Reg. 811. The three principal officers having the right to call another to the chair, it follows that a Past Master presiding may do so, and the urgency or absolute necessity for this rule would be apparent if one not fully advised on Masonic law should, ex officio, be called to preside. Besides this paragraph (41) was in the first edition of the Code, has been approved, now changed to conform to amendment.—xi, 20; Reg. 306, '7.—H. B. G.

5 See Code, par. 79, 82, for grounds of objection and objection of accused.—See par. 78; also par. 80, 81, forfeiture of right.

6 McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 73.

business brought before it. In his absence one of the committee, generally the last one named in its appointment, will act in his place, or the Master may appoint a Secretary pro tem. for that purpose. His duty is to do the writing for the committee under its direction.

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44. On presentation of the charges the Secretary Steps shown by lodge records will note the facts in the lodge records, viz: that the charges were presented, by whom and against whom; that they were accepted or entertained as being correct in form and of such character as to warrant an investigation; and that the Master appointed a committee to Committee. take evidence for as well as against the accused; and the names of the brethren appointed; that the Secretary was directed to furnish a copy of the charges to the ac- Notice to accused, and a notice1 of the time and place for taking evidence.2 He will also insert the full text of the charges Charge entered. and specifications, including the names of the witnesses. The records should also show³ that the Secretary was ordered by the lodge to summons the Masons, and to Witness cited. request the attendance of profanes, who are witnesses in the case, at the time and place appointed for the first meeting of the committee. The record, as far as practicable, ought to specify who were summoned.

45. If the accused or accuser desires any witnesses, Additional witwhose names were not before the lodge, he should apply to the chairman of the committee, who will give the names to the Secretary of the lodge, that they may be summoned in conformity with the orders of the lodge. But if the names are not reported within a reasonable time, and vexatious or expensive delays are likely to result, the chairman may require the accused or accuser Affirmation in to affirm that the evidence of the witnesses desired is material, and how, and that their presence can be se-

view of citation.

¹ A notice of this kind is equivalent to summons.-This Digest, Summons,

Par. 6.

2 The chairman should consult the wishes of the committee, if present; at all events, he is the proper one to fix the time and place of meeting, but not ar-

³ The records must show that the action of the lodge is in accordance with law and usage.—Reg. 835. It should appear clearly by the record that everything has been done which the regulations of the Grand Lodge prescribe.—

Mass. Digest, 88; Code 57.

4 The lodge must summon; chairman of committee can not legally do so.—

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Declining to cured within a reasonable time stated. He has no right to decline to have them summoned unless at least a majority of the committee agree that it ought not to be done. All of these facts should be made to appear in Appeal to Gr. the record, and either party can at the proper time appeal to the Grand Lodge.

- 46. If the accused is present in the lodge, and volun-Plea of guilty tarily pleads guilty to the charges and specifications, -waiver or ir and waives formalities or irregularities,1 it will obviate regularities. the necessity of the intervention of a committee to take the evidence or hear his plea. The plea of guilty will, in such a case, be entered on the records.
- 47. The accused or accuser may also take the evi-Affidavits of dence of parties who can not attend the meeting of the absent parties who can not at- committee, by giving reasonable notice to the Master,2 tend. of the time and place for taking such evidence, who should immediately notify the opposite party and the chairman, "or cause the same to be done." The time must be a reasonable one, and the place fairly convenient.
- 48. Reasonable time must be given accused and ac-Reasonable cuser in which to secure the attendance of their wittime to secure nesses. For this purpose the committee may adjourn witnesses. from time to time.
- 49. If a meeting of the lodge intervene before the Reports of pro- committee has concluded the duty assigned it, the chairgress to the lodge. man should report, verbally, the progress made; but he ought not to give any information that would influence the minds of the members, before they have the full written report of the committee, in the shape of its record of its proceedings.

50. A summons3 should rarely be resorted to, and Summonsestheir character, use and abuse. never when a notice will answer the purpose: First,

I When the charges are informally presented, but the respondent appears and pleads guilty, he waives the irregularity, and may be sentenced upon his

and pleads guilty, he waives the irregularity, and may be sentenced upon his plea.—Mass. Digest, 91.

2 Con., Art. xii, Sec. 2; Reg. 994, '5; 74th Article of War, U. S. Army.

3 A summons is a Masonic process or writ of more force than any that can be issued... and every Mason must obev it if in his power... the penalty is expulsion.—Mitchell's Common Law of Masonry, 208. ... There is no relation in which he can stand with the Fraternity that can absolve a Mason of this obligation.—Mass. Digest, 84.

4 The force or intent of a notice is to give information.—Mass. Digest, 84.

because of the sanctity of the summons; second, it is unjust and ungenerous to make use of a summons, thus compelling a brother to attend lodge or other meeting unless his presence is a necessity; third, it may be oppressive, engender bad feelings and produce harmful results.

51. A summons is made in duplicate; one copy is Summonses-how made and handed to the party for whom it is made, and on the served. other ("original") the Tyler, or brother who serves it, indorses the date and manner of service.2 The original is then returned to the Secretary of the lodge to be carefully preserved and filed with the papers to be brought before the committee.

52. The Tyler (or some Master Mason for him) is The Tyler and the proper officer to serve summonses and other papers connected with trials, but it is competent for any Master Mason to do so.4 He should also attend the meetings of the committee, that, under direction of the chairman, he may prevent intrusion, and perform such other duties as may be required.5 If personal service can not be made the summons may be sent by registered letter, Registered letand the receipt filed as any other paper would be proven and filed.6

53. When the Secretary prepares a copy of the Copy of the charges and no-charges and specifications for the accused he must de-tice served on liver it, with a notice of the time and place of meeting how. of the committee, to the Tyler, who serves both on the accused, and indorses on the originals the date and manner of service.8

accused, and

54. If the accused is not within reach of personal Service in abservice a copy of the charges should be sent to him by accused. registered letter, and his receipt therefor, when returned

¹ Reg. 943. 2 See Forms; also Code 52, 54. 3 Page 114, 1858. Though by-laws said the Tyler should serve summons, one of committee doing it was held to be sufficient. 4 Reg. 944. 5 See also Code, 53, 54. 6 Reg. 946.

7 By Tyler or Secretary it will be understood, first, that the officers named are meant, or, secondly, some Master Mason duly authorized to act for them.

8 If the service be made on the respondent while he is in prison, and he declined to make any defense to the house and does not desire the service of the servic

so if the service be made on the respondent while he is in prison, and he declines to make any defense to the charges, and does not desire the aid of counsel, the service is sufficient.—Mass. Digest, 90. [But in Kentucky a trial can not proceed unless the accused or his counsel, who may be appointed by the Master or the committee to take evidence, is present. "In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall have the assistance of counsel for his defence."—Art. vi, Amend. Con. U. S.]

dorsement.

ought to be filed with the papers in the case. Or, if he can not be found or his address ascertained, the Tyler,2 as in Paragraph 51, must indorse the facts upon the Form of in charges and notice thus: "After strict search and careful inquiry I was unable to find Bro. A B, or any one on whom to execute this summons for him, nor could I ascertain his postoffice address." This must be dated and signed by the Tyler. If it is a fact, as just stated, the Tyler should first report it to the Master, who will direct whether further inquiry is necessary, or whether the forgoing indorsement shall be made.

cused.

55. In such cases the taking of evidence can not Delay on ac- proceed until three months have elapsed from the time count of absence of the ac- charges were presented in the lodge.³ The committee is appointed, however; and when the three months have elapsed it will then meet and appoint some brother to defend the accused, enter a plea of "not guilty" for him, and proceed as if he were present.4

of the commit-

56. The Secretary, or one so acting for the commit-Proceedings tee, must keep a complete record of its proceedings.5 tee, how kept. He may make full notes of the proceedings, and during the interim between its sittings, make a fair copy, which should be plainly written without interlineations or erasures; each page numbered, leaving a margin of about an inch on the left side of every page; and at the top of the odd and bottom of the even numbered pages (if both sides of the paper are written upon, otherwise the margins will be left at the side and top only); through this top margin the sheets should be secured or stitched. It is best to use "legal cap paper," because it is appropriately ruled, and to write upon but one side of the paper. See also par. 43.

recorded, and why.

57. In all cases the whole of the testimony, so far as Testimony be it is proper to be written, must be reduced to writing and carefully preserved;6 not only so, but every incidental transaction is noted. The maxim is, that what

¹ As in Par. 52. 2 See foot-note 7, p. 213. 3 Con., Art. xii, Sec. 4, p. 34.

⁴ Reg. 187.
5 See Form of Proceedings for Trials. At every meeting of the committee the names of persons present must be stated, and a careful record made of each step in the trial.—Rob Morris, in Voice of M.:., 1859. 6 Con. xii, 3.

does not appear should be considered as not existing, What record must show. hence the importance of causing every material fact or incident of the trial to appear in the record. If therefore the record does not show that the law has been complied with, the presumption is that it has not been Much time How done to done, and such omissions may be fatal. would be saved by requiring the accused to write his questions on slips of paper,1 which may be pasted on the rough notes made by the Secretary, and copied as before explained (56), and read at the next meeting of the committee in presence of the accused or his counsel; one of the committee holding the original notes. If the Record signed. copy is correct, it is immediately signed by the chairman (or the entire committee present) and attested by the Secretary.

58. The accused must be permitted to have counsel² Counsel for or some friend, who must be a Master Mason, to assist accused. him in conducting his defense, if he so desires. assistance is strictly confined to giving advice, framing Duty of counsel: questions which ought to be written on separate slips of paper and handed to the chairman, who puts them to the witness. If he has absconded or absent the trial can not proceed unless he is represented by counsel.3

59. The counsel can not in any way interfere with Can not interfere with the the business, nor address the committee, without per-committee; mission; he is permitted to be present only as the advisor and friend, or representative (58), of the accused. Must be a Master Mason. He must be a Master Mason, however, because many questions of a purely Masonic character may arise; besides, if not a Mason he can not appear in the lodgeroom, should it be desirable for the accused or his advisor to be there at the final hearing of the case.

60. If the questions are not objected to they will be Questions and answered. If objected to they should be recorded and disposed of. the objection noted; if the committee decide them irrelevant or improper the reasons therefore should be stated, as also the reasons for the objecting; and if any, the

I The services of a short-hand reporter would obviate the necessity of this tedious process of writing out questions, etc. He must be a Master Mason, however, and duly obligated to perform this duty faithfully.

2 Amend. vi, Con. U. S.; foot-note 5, to Code 53. 3 Code, par. 67.

reasons why it is thought the question ought to be an-This rule applies to all questions asked. swered.

61. The Junior Warden or "prosecutor" should be The prosecutor, present at the meetings of the committee, conduct the examination of witnesses, and present the evidence tending to sustain the charges. He is not necessarily con-Witnesses. fined to the list of witnesses given on the charges, but may call any whom he thinks can give information on Consent of J.W. the matter embraced therein. He may also be permitted to have counsel, who must be a Master Mason, but

both must be held under the same restrictions put upon the accused and his counsel. 62. A Mason may be compelled to testify; if he per-Who may and sist in refusing, he may be tried, and such punishment

may not be com-pelled to testify. awarded as the circumstances may justify. A profane, however, is under no obligation to give evidence; and if he refuse, nothing can be done.3

OATHS OR THEIR EQUIVALENT.

Definition.

63. A judicial oath or affirmation (or Mason's promise upon his honor as such) may be defined as a solemn invocation of the vengeance of the Deity upon the affiant if he does not declare the whole truth, as far as he knows it, and perform the obligations he is under according to the covenants entered into.5 A willful violation of the truth exposes him to temporal and eternal punishment.6

nesses.

64. In order to exclude impure and suspicious testi-The obliga- mony, and add the most solemn and binding sanction to tions of committees and of wit- that which is admitted, the law in the first place, excludes all testimony which is not given under the sanction of an oath or its equivalent, and in the next place, subjects the witness to cross-examination by the party

¹ Reg. 985. 2 Mass. Digest, 7. Every brother is bound to obey summonses, to give evidence, and to answer questions propounded that do not criminate himself.—Morris' Dict. F.: M.:, 136. 3 Reg. 365.
4 Starkie on Evidence, 9th edition, 28. Thou shalt not foreswear thyself, but perform unto the Lord thine oaths.—Mat. v, 33.
5 Thus saith the Lord, I will deal with thee as thou hast done, who hast despised the oath in breaking thy covenant.—Ezek. xvi, 59.
6 All liars shall have their part in the lake that burneth with fire.—Rev. xxi, 8. See also Par. 143, 148, 149, this Code.

against whom the evidence is offered. This being the The practice in practice before civil and military courts, no matter what courts martial. may be the standing, position or character of the party offered as a witness, juror, or member of the court, it would seem that the rule should also apply in Masonic trials.2

65. An army officer takes the oath of office, but when he performs the incidental duty of a member, judge advocate of, or witness before a court martial, he must be solemnly sworn to perform that part of his military duty with fidelity. Not only so, but though he serve on the same detail for the trial of a number of soldiers, he must be re-sworn at the commencement of each case.3 Yet an army officer's honor is held in such esteem that, if he should be found guilty of conduct unbecoming his official and social position, he "shall be dismissed the service."4

66. Such is the language of the law intended to preserve the honor and morals of the officers of the army. Are Masons under bonds less stringent? Are they more or less men that they must not so much as promise to be faithful and impartial as members of a prelimi- Responsibility. nary court required to present evidence that may forever blight the character of a brother, and bring the blush of shame to cheeks of innocent ones depending upon him? More than one brother, prominent in the The opinions of prominent order, has declared opinions decidedly adverse to the Masons. idea of permitting a committee to act, or witness to testify, in a Masonic trial, without an affirmation to be "faithful to the trust reposed in him." Is not any Practice in lodges. other view contrary to the practice of Masons from the N. E. corner to the middle chamber, on their introduction into the oriental chair, and so on through the mysteries of the order?

Masons are but men.

I Starkie on Evidence, oth edition, 18.

2 The testimony of a M.*. M.*. is usually taken upon his honor as such.—
Mackey's Juris., 562. The witnesses... if Masons [shall testify] npon their
honor as such.—Rule 3, Masonic Trials (Maine). The record must show that it
was so taken.—Par. 57, 137, 138, this Code. Gr. L. Eng., proceedings 1893,
317, these words appear: "... Scrutineers [tellers to count the ballots] were
appointed and obligated to make a faithful return..."

3 Benet's Military Law, 80. DeHart's Mil. Law, 129.

4 83rd Article of War. 5 See foot-note 3, p. 218; 4, p. 219.

67. This being true, it is certainly right that before Committee proceeding with the taking of evidence in Masonic and Secretary must promise trials, every member of the committee, as well as the to be impartial. Secretary, in presence of the accused, or his counsel if he is absent, should make a solemn pledge to be fair and impartial in his voice and vote. The accused has a right to this uttered assurance; besides that, its very utterance is a reminder of the obligations that Masons are under to each other, which is too often forgotten or neglected.

Committee's Obligation.

68. The following obligation will be administered by the Secretary, or the brother acting as such, to the committee: "I, A B, do promise upon my honor, as a man and Mason, that I will faithfully and without partiality, hear and record, or cause to be recorded, all competent evidence offered (and proper to be written) for as well as against the accused Bro. C-D-, and will promptly submit the record thereof to Lodge, No. —; that I will also report, as fully as I am able, all competent evidence submitted to this committee, which can not from its nature be reduced to writing."

Secretary's Obligation.

69. The Secretary will take the following obligation, administered by the chairman of the committee, viz: "I, A ____, do promise upon my honor, as a man and Mason, that I will well, truly and faithfully record, under its direction, all the proceedings of this committee appointed to take evidence in the matter of charges against Bro. C D, that is lawful to be written, and promptly deliver the record thus made to the chairman of said committee, as he may direct."

Obligation.

70. Every witness who is a M. M. or F. C. will be M. M. wit put upon his Masonic honor by the chairman, thus: "I, - B-, do solemnly promise, upon my honor as a man and Mason, that the evidence I shall give in the case of Bro. C ____, now in hearing, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth."

¹ Con., xii, 2, 3. 2 And reporter.—See foot-note 3, Code 57. 3 Mackey's Juris., 108. Testimony given by a Master Mason shall be upon his honor; that of a profane, upon his oath.—Iowa Code 1880, v, p. 33.

- 71. All other witnesses must take an oath, before E. A. and prosome officer authorized by the law to administer oaths,2 which is usually in this form: "I do solemnly swear Oath. that the evidence I shall give in the case of C-D____, before this committee from ____ Lodge No.__, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help me God."
- 72. A witness need not be sworn or obligated but Obligated but once during the same trial, even if called upon to testify more than once by either or both parties or the committee.
- 73. The object of an oath of an E. A. or profane, and Object of oath. the obligation required of M. M's and F. C's, is to bind their consciences.3 The particular form of oath or affir-Form used. mation is not essential, but that form should be used which the affiant considers most solemn and binding, and which is sanctioned by the country or sect to which he belongs.5 Thus, a Jew is sworn upon the Pentateuch, a Turk Oath of Jew, Turk, Cove. upon the Koran, a Scotch Covenanter by holding up nanter. his hand without kissing the book, and a Master Mason is pledged upon his honor as such,6 which includes all the covenants he is under to his brethren.

THE TRIAL' AND ITS INCIDENTS.

- 74. The committee should meet punctually at the Meeting of the appointed time and place, and its members take seats at the right and left of the chairman, for his convenience in consultation on points that may arise during the taking of the evidence.
- 75. The Secretary sits at the table opposite the chair- Its convenient arrangement. The accused and his counsel sit at a small table,

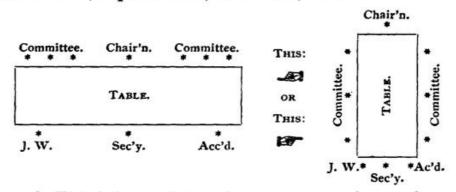
¹ See foot-note 3, p. 218.

¹ See 1001-note 3, p. 216.
2 Reg. 364.
3 See Code 63, 143.
4 All testimony must be given under the sanction of a judicial oath or affirmation.—Morris' Dict. of F.: M.:., 136; Old Con. of Ky., viii, 7.
5 Starkie on Evidence, 9th ed., 28, 29.
6 See Code 64.

⁷ Con. xii.

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if practible, on the right; and the Junior Warden at a small table, if practicable, on his left, thus:



76. This brings all into the most convenient and accessible positions. With materials for writing, the committee is now ready for the business assigned it, and Duty and obshould keep in mind that it is not the prosecutor, but ject of its appointment.

must as carefully examine into the facts for as well as against the accused. The committee should seek the truth, and not seek either to convict or acquit the brother charged with offenses.

Meeting of may direct the witnesses to retire so that there is no Organization one present but the committee, the prosecutor, the accused, and Master Masons in good standing who are not witnesses in the case, and shall do so if either the Who may be accused or prosecutor demands it. Members of other lodges have no right to be present, either at the taking of evidence or in the lodge during a trial, but for special reasons the rule may be relaxed, provided none of the parties interested object.

Authority for ing the filing of charges, appointment of the committee, original charges, etc., should be read by the Secretary;

Objections of and if the accused has any objection to any member named on the committee or to the Secretary, he may make it now, giving his reasons therefor; and, indeed, the question should be distinctly asked if he have any, and that fact, as well as his answer, be made to appear in the record. The objections, if any, and the reasons

¹ Reg. 991; Code 115. 2 See Forms. 3 The J. W., or prosecutor, may also object, but not at this time. See Code 42.

stated, should be recorded; and after deliberation by the committee its decision is also entered.

79. In case of a tie the decision is given in favor of Effect of a tie. the challenger.1 If this should reduce the committee below three, it should adjourn, if necessary, to a time and place specified, that the Master may appoint some one else to fill the vacancy. If the Master is present Vacancy in his appointment can be made at once, and the facts Com'ittee filled. be stated in the record. It is competent to show by May object afproof, that the member is incompetent, and there-obligat'd-how. fore ought not to sit on the committee, even after the committee is "qualified," for good cause shown, provided the party objecting had no opportunity of offering his objection before and at the proper time.

80. Objections to any member named on the com- Objections to mittee, or to the Secretary, must be made, if desired, when. when the opportunity is given, or the right to do so passes, though the member may not be present at the time. The committee has to decide questions of law and usages as they come up in the proceedings, but does not determine the guilt or innocence of the accused; it is therefore competent for a member to sit at one meeting though he was not present at another. But a ma- A quorum necjority of the committee must be present to make a quorum, and it ought not to be reduced below three as a minimum.

81. It is deemed just to all concerned, and has the Reasonable mark of fairness, that for reasonable objections made by sustained. the accused to any member on the committee (though not such an objection that would be sustained on its merits), the member objected to would do well to retire If the number on the committee is and not serve. reduced by objections or absence to less than three the committee can not act but may adjourn, and the Master should promptly be informed of the facts, so that he may appoint others to fill the vacancies. [See paragraph 79.]

82. Good grounds for objections are: that the mem-

Grounds for

¹ To be generous.-Code 83. 2 That is, takes the "Obligation."-See ·Code 68.

ber formed or expressed an opinion; is prejudiced in favor or against the accused; is unfriendly to or has been injured by him; that the conviction or acquittal of accused will benefit the member, or that the member is under especial obligations to him to such an extent that it is likely to warp or influence his judgment, or that he is a material witness in the case. The same reasons would hold good as to the Secretary, although he may not be a member of the committee; because while there may not be any probability of a mutilation or biasshown in the record, yet it is better that he retire as suggested in paragraph 81.2

Objections to Secretary.

83. It is true the committee does not finally deter-Why object mine the guilt or innocence of the accused, but its proper tions ought to be respected. conduct, of this important part of the trial it, can hardly be over-estimated. A Mason's care is not only to be right but to appear so, and a Mason's honor and reputation should be securely guarded by every means that the severest justice, controlled by a wise administration of Masonic law, either in form or substance, can provide.

84. Having acted upon and settled the matter of Committee and challenges or objections, the committee and Secretary Secretary quali-fied. are duly qualified;3 whereupon the accused may ask Counsel for to be permitted to introduce his counsel, though thisaccused. may be done at any time; nor can it be refused. only question for the committee to determine is whether the counsel is a Master Mason in good standing.

Pleading: To charge. In bar:

85. When the committee is fully organized by administering the obligations, the accused is arraigned, that is, asked to plead to the charges and specifications, unless he should desire to plead in bar of trial—that is, to give reasons why he should not be tried before this. committee (or its lodge), because it has no jurisdiction, or that he should not be tried for the offense charged, and why.

86. The plea to jurisdiction may be: that the ac-To jurisdiction, cused is a member of a lodge in another grand or sub-

¹ Reg. 186, 992. 2 For other reasons see Code 100. 3 See Code, 68, 69.

ordinate jurisdiction than the one before which he is called to answer, and that complaint has never been properly made to his own lodge; or that he is not a Mason, having been expelled from the Order; or the crime alleged is not one properly within the jurisdiction of a Masonic lodge; or that the committee is not lawfully constituted, either as to manner or authority of its appointment, or the members that compose it. If the charge be treason the accused may plead in bar to jurisdiction, as that is an offense of which a Masonic lodge can not properly take cognizance. Though "the highest offense known to civil law, it can not be punished as a Masonic offense."1

87. He may plead in bar of trial: a former acquit- Former actal2 or conviction, under charges based upon the same viction. facts set out in the specifications, by evidence taken before a properly appointed and organized committee, and conviction or acquittal had before a lodge having jurisdiction. In cases where, contrary to the evidence, the lodge found the accused guilty, the Grand Lodge may set the verdict aside and grant a new trial. But it can When Grand not grant a new trial where the accused was acquitted grant new trial. on the first, provided the trial was in due form and according to Masonic law.4

uittal or con-

88. The lodge, however, subjects itself to discipline Lodge liable for any wrongful act, whether in improper conviction act. or acquittal not justified by the evidence in the case.

89. Conviction or acquittal by the civil or military Trial by other courts, for the same offense, can not be pleaded in bar offense. of trial before a Masonic lodge or its committee; nor can the evidence taken in court be admitted in a Masonic trial.5

90. The setting aside of the sentence of a subordi- Effect of setnate lodge, by the Grand Lodge having jurisdiction, tence and reand restoring the brother to all the rights and privileges of a Mason, is equivalent to a pardon, and may be pleaded in bar.

ting aside sen-

¹ Drummond's (Maine) Masonic Text Book, 314. 679-687. 4 Reg. 395. 5 Reg. 362. See also Code, 38. 2 Reg. 982. 3 Reg.

91. There is no limit as to time in which a trial may be had for Masonic offenses1 hence the accused may not Limitation. plead limitation in bar of trial.

ification.

Its effect.

92. The accused may plead a total or partial want Want of spec- of specification as to the matter charged; or that it is couched in terms too vague to fix identity as to time, place or circumstance. If such a plea were admitted, the record would be made up and reported to the lodge for amendment of the charges, but would not save the accused from trial. But should the accused decline to make defense on account of the total want of specification, it would render the proceedings of none effect, if admitted, because it would admit that he was not sufficiently advised of the offense with which he was charged.

admitted.

93. There is another plea known in civil courts as a Demurrer not demurrer, which admits the truth of the facts charged but denies the inference as alleged by the charge—that is, "the accused joins issue upon some point of law in the specification, by which he insists that the fact as stated is not (for example) traducing the character of a Master Mason," or lying, or unmasonic conduct. plea will not be admitted, as the advantage of it may be taken on a plea of not guilty.

Forms for spebar if sustained.

94. There is no essential form in making these pleas, cial pleas.
Time to make but the proper time to make them is before the pleas to Pleadings in the charges and specifications. If sustained, the record If overruled, is made up and reported to the lodge. If overruled, the decision must, and the reasons therefor may be entered in the proceedings of the committee, and the trial proceeds.

The arraign- to the accused, commencing with the first specification; and as each is finished the chairman says to him: "Bro. A _____, what say you to this specification—guilty or not guilty?" The pleas are made to each specification of the first charge, then to the first charge; then to

95. The charges and specifications are severally read

Pleas.

¹ Reg. 151.

each specification of the second charge, then to the second charge, and so on.

96. The ordinary plea is, not guilty, or guilty; but Ordinary plea. if the accused refuses to plead to any charge or specification or answers foreign to the purpose, the chairman directs a plea of not guilty to be entered, and the facts being entered of record, the trial proceeds as if that plea had been made regularly. This is prefaced in the record with a statement that "the accused refused to plead, and the chairman directed a plea of not guilty to be entered," or other words appropriate to the facts.

Refusing to

97. If he pleads "guilty" before the committee or Effect of plea before the lodge, as in paragraph 46, no evidence need of guilty. be taken on the part of the prosecution, because no issue is made. Everything alleged is admitted, and evidence is only needed for deciding a matter in dispute. Having pleaded guilty, the accusation may be considered as virtually proven and the prosecution closed. Such a plea before the committee, or lodge, may be held equivalent to the testimony of two witnesses,1 but it neither precludes, on the part of the accused, the production of evidence as to fact and character, nor is it a bar to his making a written defense in extenuation of his offense or in mitigation of punishment.

98. The accused may plead guilty to the specifica- Plea of guilty tion and not guilty to the charge; in which event no tions and not evidence can be admitted to prove the allegations con- charge. tained in the specifications. These pleadings are equivalent to a denial that the facts alleged form a sufficient basis for the offense charged, which issue made must be determined by the lodge.

99. The accused may plead guilty of certain portions Plea of guilty or words of the specification and not guilty of certain guilty of part and not other portions or the remainder of it. In such a plea,

I Con. of the United States, Art. iii, Sec. 3. The evidence or verbal confessions of guilt is to be received with great caution.—Greenleaf on Evidence, 214. A free and voluntary confession is deserving of the highest credit, because it is presumed to flow from the strongest sense of guilt... but a confession forced from the mind by the flattery of hope or by the torture of fear comes in so questionable a shape... that no credit ought to be given it.—Ibid, 219.

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> evidence is only taken by the prosecution to establish the allegations denied by the plea.

for prosecution.

100. The pleas must be recorded, and when done, First witness the prosecutor calls his first witness. If there is any objection to his competency, it ought to be stated now before he is qualified. There being none, he is qualified in presence of the accused (or his counsel), and the fact being noted in the record, his testimony is taken His testimony-down as near as possible in his own words. It is bethow given and recorded. ter for each to give a connected narrative as far as he is If there is any doubt as to the idea intended, the His explana- necessary explanation must be elicited from the witness Should the Secretary use his own language, himself.

tions.

he constitutes himself the judge of the shade of meaning intended, and may not convey the proper idea to the minds of the members of the lodge or to the committee of the Grand Lodge, if the case should go up on appeal.

may be inter-rupted.

101. During the examination, a witness must not be When witness interrupted until the person examining him has concluded, unless to object, or some member of the com-

committee.

Questioned by mittee asks some question to make clear some fact brought out in the testimony. As a rule the committee ought not to ask any questions until both parties are through, when the committee may ask. Pending his Witnesses ex- examination a witness has the right to explain the evi-

dence he has given; but entries already made in the proceedings ought not, as a consequence, to be erased or expunged.

Prosecutor as witness.

102. If the prosecutor is a witness he should be first

103. When a witness has concluded, his testimony Testimony read should be carefully read over to him before he leaves, to witness. that any errors may be corrected, but his testimony should not be read to him, or he be permitted to refer to it when under examination, as such a course might Presence of defeat the very purpose of a cross-examination. others does not should testify in the presence of other witnesses it will invalidate.

¹ See Code 57-60.

not render their testimony incompetent, although they ought not, as a rule, to be present if it can be avoided,1 but witnesses may be confronted if thought necessary.

104. If a witness is so sick that he can not attend the Evidence of meeting of the committee it may adjourn to meet in his room, but the accused or his counsel should be present.

105. The committee is not confined to the list of Not confined to list of witwitnesses given on the charges, but may call any one nesses. they think can give information on the matter embraced therein.

106. The first examination of a witness is conducted Examination in by the party introducing him, and is called the examination in chief. He is then cross-examined by the op- Cross-examination. posite party, and may then be re-examined by the first party on such points as may be brought out by the cross-examination. The committee is at liberty to be indulgent in the re-examination and to allow such latitude as justice seems to demand. Witnesses may be recalled and re-examined to explain certain discrepancies in their evidence, or any new facts elicited in crossexamination; or if a material question be omitted, the witness may be re-called to answer. This, however, must be left to the good judgment and discretion of the committee.

Re-examina-

Recalling a

107. When the prosecutor has called all the wit- When prosenesses he has, and they have been examined, and the fense begins. accused permitted to cross-examine them, if he desires, the accused then enters upon his defense by introducing and examining his witnesses, who may be cross-examined, as before explained, by the prosecutor.

108. The laws of evidence universally recognized Laws of evidence in Masonshould govern in all the examinations of the witnesses, ic trials. but without quibbles or unnecessary technicalities, which Technicalities should not be permitted.3

109. When the examination of all the witnesses and Final defense. submission of documentary evidence, if any, is concluded, the accused may submit his "final defense" in

¹ At discretion of committee.—See Code 77. 2 See general head of Evidence, Code 137, etc. 3 See Code 142 and a foot-note thereto. 4 Reg. 994, 995. 5 Reg. 999, 1000.

prosecutor.

the form of a written address, which should be properly marked for identification and attached to the proceedings of the committee. The accused should be given Argument of reasonable time in which to prepare. The Junior Warden or prosecutor may in like manner present his argument in response, which may also be in writing and appended to the proceedings. This is esteemed as a better plan because the arguments can then be submitted to the Committee on Appeals, should an appeal be taken.

Record signedhow disposed of

110. When the business of the committee is finished the record is signed by each member, and the chairman presents it to the lodge at its next stated meeting, having given the Master timely information that the breth-

Report read in ren may be notified (not summoned) to attend. At the proper time the entire report is read, including the final defense of the accused and argument of the Junior Counselorac- Warden. If the counsel for the accused or the accused cused and ac-cuser make de- himself desires to make his final plea, orally, or read his

fense and answer.

defense¹ filed with the committee, he may do so if present; and the accuser is entitled to the same privilege.

not enter lodge.

111. The last utterance of the Grand Lodge is to

ed, for trial on

Suspended can the effect that the accused, if under suspension, can not for any purpose enter a lodge when duly opened, even May be restor- at his trial. A suspended Mason under charges for a greater offense, grave offense may first be restored by the lodge that suspended him, and the trial proceed as in other cases.3 But this is a matter that ought not to be acted upon without the most careful and mature consideration. would be restoring to good standing one who had been pronounced unfit for Masonic fellowship.4 Yet there are many cases where the propriety of such action would be unquestioned.

¹ Reg. 999, 1000.
2 A brother committing a serious offense while suspended may be dealt with.—Morris' Voice of Masonry, 1859. A member under suspension may be tried and expelled.—Kentucky, 1858, 116; Reg. 990. A suspended Mason, no matter for what caus; can not sit in any lodge.—Gray's (Miss.) M. Circle, 493. Which privilege [to sit in open lodge during trial] can not of course be granted to a Mason under suspension.—Mitchell's Common Law of Masonry, 357.
3 A Mason under sentence of suspension [may but] need not be reinstated, to be tried for a Masonic crime.—Iowa, vii, 133.
4 Gray's (Miss.) Mystic Circle, 494.

- 112. The accused or his counsel have a right to read Final arguor make the final address or "defense," and the prosecutor has an equal right to read or make his argument.1 When they have concluded the accused must retire,2 the fact is noted by the Secretary, and the lodge will then deliberate upon the only question proper to be considered at that time, viz: as to the guilt or innocence of the accused.
- 113. The accused having retired the prosecution is Cannot speak effectually and finally closed, and the prosecutor should tires. not be permitted again to speak on the subject, nor Who votes. ought he to vote in the finding or sentence. Indeed, no one who is interested, nor ought one who has been a material witness in the case, to vote on the finding or sentence.3
- 114. The lodge deliberates upon the evidence and The deliberaits bearing upon the several points of accusation involved in each specification as it is separately considered. Each brother should remember that he is not to Individual duty. "cheat, wrong or defraud" a brother out of that equal justice to which he is entitled, and should divest himself of every desire to see the innocent suffer or the guilty escape; he should not permit false pity or undue severity to influence his judgment. A motion is unneces- Closing debate. sary, and the Master may terminate the interchange of views at any time, unless the rules of order provided differently, in which case the rules must be followed.
- 115. "It is a general and an excellent rule that no Visitors at a visitor shall be permitted to be present during a trial."6 trial.

¹ Reg. 999, 1000.

2 Only the members and the counsel for the accused, if he be a Mason, should be present at trials.—Mitchell's Common Law of Masonry, 272. No persons are admitted to the meetings save the Secretary, the accused or his representative... or friend... who is also a Mason.—Rob Morris, in Voice of Masonry, 1859. [This writer goes a step further to say: "When the vote is taken neither the accused, his counsel, nor any one else except the members," should be present, unless for special reasons.—See Par. 115.]

3 By-laws Grand Lodge of Kentucky, 39, Rule 13, which if true in legislative acts, it is certainly as imperative when the standing and character of a brother is at stake.—Code, 41, 116; Mackey's Jurisprudence, 193. The same person can not be both witness and judge.—I Greepleaf, 364.

4 See Code, Par. 3.

5 Formerly the accepted rule was that the Master had absolute control over the order of business, etc., but regulation 898, very properly, forbids it. If he can not determine this matter it would seem that he can not, of his own will, set aside any other rule of order, which is, in fact, a part of the by-laws and must govern. See also Reg. 97. 6 Mackey's Jurisprudence, 562; Code, 112. Members of the lodge only can be present.—2 Mitchell's Digest, 402.

ken.

There are exceptions, however; for example, when a brother of experience is invited to be present to assist the lodge by his counsel, or it may be to preside.

116. Every member must vote upon the findings and Who must vote. sentence unless excused by the lodge, except in trials in which he is himself interested. See also Par. 113. If guilty some accused is found guilty all must in like manner vote penalty must be some lawful penalty; and if that for which a member voted. votes is not carried some punishment must be voted for until a lawful majority agree as to some punishment.1

117. The Master puts the question to the lodge in The findings. substance as follows: "Brethren, the vote will now be The question taken upon the guilt or innocence of the accused. You of guilt or innocence put. have heard all the evidence presented by your commit have heard all the evidence presented by your commit-First question tee and the arguments upon both sides. As many of ter hearing evi- you as are of the opinion that Bro. —— is guilty of dence. the first specification3 of the first charge, which the Order of find. Secretary will read, will write the word 'guilty' upon Vote, how ta- your ballot. As many of you as are of a contrary opinion will write 'not guilty.' If any of you are of May find guilty opinion that he is guilty of a portion of the allegation of part, is this specification, and not guilty of other portions, And not guilty you will write 'guilty, except the words' ----, and inof remainder. sert the words excepted.5 Bros. — and — will act Tellers. Bro. Secretary, read the specification [done]. Vote collected. Bro. Senior Deacon, collect the ballots." The ballots are collected, which with (in) the box is handed to the

tellers, who should be at a table near the altar. Tally verified, number who voted each way is given to and reported by the Secretary, verified by the tellers, and the result is announced by the Master.

118. A majority vote of the members present is suf-Necessary ma- ficient to determine the guilt or innocence of the acjority to find. cused and to fix the penalty, unless the by-laws require more than a bare majority, in which case the provisions

trod., 11.

¹ See Reg. 771. 2 Reg. 393, etc. 3 Upon various specifications... how-ever numerous, the question of *quilty* or *not quilty* should be separately taken. —Morris' Voice of Masonry, June, 1859. 4 Reg. 61, 393. 5 They [every jury] are at liberty to find a special verdict—that is, to state specifically what facts they find to be proved.—Starkie on Evidence, 9th ed., In-

of the by-laws must be obeyed.1 The records must The records. show that the action was in conformity with the law;2 hence it must appear that the vote was taken by ballot, and that the required majority voted in favor of the recorded decision of the lodge.

119. The ballots, when counted, should be delivered Ballots to be to the Master, who must destroy them immediately. blank piece of paper thrown into the ballot-box contains no expression of the will or opinion of the voter, and is not to be counted as a vote.3

120. Thus the guilt or innocence of the accused is Order of finddeclared, first upon each specification separately, under the first charge; then upon the charge; then upon each specification of the second charge; then upon the second charge, and so on until all are voted upon.

121. Even if the accused has pleaded guilty, the same Findings conformality in the finding must be had-that is, his guilt or innocence must be formally passed upon by ballot of the lodge.4 But should there be a tie the accused Result of a tie. must have the benefit of an acquittal, because he is presumed to be innocent until found guilty, and the lodge failed so to find. The Master can not, in any ballot, give a casting vote-plainly because he would expose his ballot, and violate an important constitutional provision, as well as regulations and Masonic usage.

122. When the vote has been taken and declared on "Not guilty." all the specifications and charges, if found not guilty the matter is settled, and the accused is invited into the lodge, and informed by the Master that the lodge has declared him acquitted of the charges.

123. The accused must be acquitted or convicted of Accused must every part of each of the several specifications and convicted. charges, and the decision of the lodge in all the findings must be specific, so that the quantum of punishment inflicted may be seen to be proportionate to the Decision spedegrees of guilt. Instead of the ordinary verdict of sp guilt or of acquittal upon the whole of every specifica- ings.

Special find-

Mass. Digest, 70; Reg. 953.
 Reg. 832, 835, etc.
 Mass. Digest, 11.
 The accused having confessed his guilt... the lodge declared him guilty.
 Rob Morris, in Voice of Masonry, 1859.

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Guilty of part, tion, the lodge may find him guilty of part and not guilty of the remainder; or may find him guilty of the Guilty but not facts set out in the specification, but attach no criminalcriminal. ity thereto; or may find him guilty of a portion, and find the facts as stated in the remainder, but declare them void of criminality.

ification, not of charge.

124. The accused may be found guilty of the entire Guilty of spec- facts set out in the specifications, and yet be acquitted of the charge, in that there was no criminal knowledge or intent. For example: He may have obtained money or goods upon a forged check, not knowing it to be forged; or upon his own check, representing that he had money to his credit in the bank more than enough to cover it, when such was not the fact, and yet be guiltless, because his information was incorrect. But the burden is upon him to prove the absence of criminal intent. Guilty of less may be found guilty of the specification and not guilty of the charge of disclosing the secrets of a Master Mason but guilty of unmasonic conduct, for, if so charged, the intent being wanting, he may be found

guilty of unmasonic conduct, and punished for culpable

offense.

carelessness.

125. If found guilty of the charge it is then neces-Found guilty. sarv to fix the degree of punishment,1 and the Master, without permitting further discussion or waiting for a Vote on expul- motion, continues: "Brethren, as many of you as are of opinion that Bro. - should be expelled will deposit a [black] ballot; those of a contrary opinion will deposit a [white] ballot. Bro. Senior Deacon, collect the ballots." When done the decision is announced.

126. If the lodge does not decide to expel the brother Vote on sus- the vote by ballot2 is immediately taken upon suspen-Fixing time. sion. If carried the time is fixed thus: The Master says, in substance, "Brethren, by your votes you have decided that Bro. — should be suspended; it is now necessary to fix the term of suspension. You will therefore write upon your ballots the length of time

¹ Reg. 771. If any complaint be brought, the brother found guilty shall stand to the award and determination of the lodge, who are the proper and competent judges.—Old Charges, 1722. 2 Reg. 61, 376, 393.

which, in your opinion, Bro. —— shall stand suspended from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, for the offense of which you have found him guilty. Bro. Senior Deacon, collect the ballots." Should a majority agree upon the time that settles it.1 If a decision is not had, the ballots will be taken first upon the longest time Ballots to fix time of suspenmentioned in the first ballot, then the next, and so on to sion. the shortest time, until a conclusion is reached.

Majority rule.

127. If the lodge refuses to suspend, the question is Vote on reprimanding. upon reprimanding him, and is decided by ballot as before. If the decision is for reprimand it should be executed as suggested in paragraph 129. When done the fact must be entered of record.

128. Finding the accused guilty of the charge, the Some punishlodge must fix some punishment.2 If the lodge refuse to flicted, and why sentence it would not only subject itself to censure, but might occupy the unenviable position of being suspected of a disposition to persecute a brother; for if the charges were of such consequence as to justify the investigation, a conviction upon them demands punishment of some kind. Failing in this, the Master ought Grand Master informed of the to inform the Grand Master, that his orders in the case failure to senmay be heard, and obeyed.3

ment must be in-

129. If the brother is to be reprimanded, the Master Action if admay carry the sentence into immediate effect, or give reprimand, notice that the reprimand will be administered at the next stated meeting. If the accused is not present the Master, in open lodge, directs the Secretary to summons him to attend the next stated meeting, to receive the award of his brethren. Should the brother Disobedience of a summons. fail to obey the summons, he must, by the Junior Warden, be immediately charged with "disobedience of a lawful summons," and tried upon that charge. In any event the Secretary should promptly notify the accused of the final action of the lodge.

¹ Unless the by-laws require more than a majority. 2 Reg. 771. 3 Reg. 437. 4 Reg. 948.

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tion.

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130. If the accused or any brother2 desires to appeal Appeals, how to the Grand Lodge, he gives notice thereof in writing, made, And when. and the Secretary will immediately make a complete transcript of the entire proceedings in the case, both by the committee and the lodge, certify thereto under the seal,3 and forward it to the Grand Secretary without delay-certainly before the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

131. The decision of a lodge is presumed to be cor-Decision of rect. The subordinate lodge is the judge of the effect and weight of the testimony and the credibility of Appeal does witnesses, hence an appeal will not change the status of one who has been suspended or expelled.6 The

Power to set lodge having passed sentence no power, save that of verdict aside, the Grand Lodge, exists to set it aside. The lodge that and how. inflicted the penalty may, however, restore by unanimous consent.8 Just how it shall be done is determined by circumstances. Thus: to restore one who was suspended or expelled requires regular petition; while one suspended for non-payment of dues is reinstated with-

Reconsidera- out a petition9 or action of the lodge.10 A lodge may reconsider its proceedings and reverse its decision, if the case has not passed from it by ballot," appeal, or otherwise;12 but a motion to reconsider ought not to be entertained after the stated meeting next succeeding the one when the question was acted upon.

> 132. If the accused deems that errors have been committed, and therefore injustice has been done him, he may appeal to the Grand Lodge,18 but no new testi-

¹ Con., xiv. 2 Reg. 22; Con., xiv, 2. 3 Con., xi, 1. 4 Con., xiv, 2; Reg. 22-24. 5 Kentucky printed Proceedings, 1879, 50.
6 A suspended or expelled Mason who has appealed . . . is cut off . . . and must so remain until his Masonic status is determined by final action . . . on his appeal.—McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 139; Reg. 378.
7 Mitchell's Common Law of Masonry, 274. 8 McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 138; Mackey's Jurisprudence, 542; Reg. 381. 9 Reg. 869-872. 10 Reg. 865.
11 A ballot is inviolable (1x, 8) and only one who voted with the majority can move a reconsideration (By-law 24, p. 40). It follows, to move to reconsider a ballot one must violate the Constitution, which he has covenanted to obey, and a regulation of the Grand Lodge (Reg. 831). Therefore if the decision, whatever it may be, was the result of a ballot it can not be reconsidered. The only remedy in such a case, if an error has been committed, is to grant a new trial.—Code 132. If a brother could lawfully move to reconsider a ballot, he might do so for no other purpose than that he might thereby show how he voted—by a sort of lawful disclosure which is not admissible—hence no reconsideration of a ballot can be had.—H. B. G. 12 Mass. Digest, p. 6. 13 Con., xvi.

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mony can be adduced or heard except such as was be- No new tesfore the lodge. If competent evidence was not admitted peal. or if illegal testimony was received, the Grand Lodge will send the case back for a new trial. The wrong may New trial. often be corrected by petition to the lodge that tried him,2 for a new trial, setting forth real and substantial grounds upon which he bases his appeal.3 If it appears New trial nethat the reasons are good, the lodge should promptly committee. grant the request. And all the papers in the case should then be referred to a committee of the ablest members who were not upon the former committee. This course would not only save a vast amount of trouble, but would in many instances preserve the harmony of the lodge. Indeed, it is a matter of doubt whether the Grand G. L. may refuse to act, when Lodge would listen to petition for a new trial, however cogent the reasons might be, unless the subordinate lodge having jurisdiction had first been applied to for a re-hearing of the case. The petition should state that this had been done.4 If the trial was regular, and sub- When granted. stantial justice obtained, the petition for a new trial ought not to be granted.

133. Whether a new trial is ordered by the Grand or A new trial is subordinate lodge, it matters not, the effect would be a a trial de novo. trial de novo; 3 all the former proceedings go for naught, and an entirely new committee should be appointed to take the evidence and proceedings had as if there had been no trial at all. The order setting aside the verdict Granting it reand granting a new trial restores the brother to his former status.

- 134. If a new trial is had, and appeal taken from that, Appeals, from the action of the lodge by which a new trial was granted and all subsequent action, with the record of the committee that last took the evidence—that is in the last trial-only, is sent up.
- 135. The original proceedings of the committee must Committee probe carefully preserved by the Secretary of the lodge preserved.

¹ McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 152. 2 The lodge is the proper judge whether the reasons for a new trial are sufficient.—Morris, 1859. 3 McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 124. 4 The petition does not state that — has ever applied to the lodge for a new trial, he has no grounds for appeal to this Grand Lodge.—1858, 114. 5 That is, anew, or as if no trial had taken place.

Copies of re- among its archives. The accused, without doubt, has cords, etc., how a right to a copy of them upon the same terms that a obtained. brother may obtain official copies of papers from the Grand Secretary.2

136. The expenses incident to a trial, except such as Who pays ex- are made by the accused himself, must be borne by the penses of trial.
Copies of lodge lodge. The accused has no right to demand that copies records. of the lodge records shall be made for him in his trial.2 The records themselves are the best evidence, and should be produced if he desires them and his demands are reasonable.

EVIDENCE AND WITNESSES.

137. The subject of evidence presents so wide a field Evidence mere to be scrutinized that no attempt is made to do more ly touched upon than merely to touch upon some of its leading features. in this work. Difference in However widely different codes may vary, the general codes. means of investigating the truth of contested facts must be common to all. Every rational system which provides the means of proof must be founded on experience and reason.3

138. It is laid down as an indisputable principle that The principle a judicature, erected without prescribing rules of eviand law of evidence to it, the common law will supply its rules from dence. which the newly-erected court will not be permitted to What rules of depart. The rules of evidence, then, that obtain in the evidence govern courts of the country must be guides in Masonic trials. These rules constitute the law of evidence.

139. Evidence is that which, exclusive of mere ar-Evidence. gument, is properly offered to establish the truth of the Parol evidence. matter under investigation.5 Parol evidence is that spoken, as in the examination of a witness, and is understood to be concerning matters within his personal Written evi- knowledge. Written evidence consists of records, dence.

¹ Con., xii, 3.
2 Con., v., 8, Par. 9, p. 18. The accused is not entitled to copies of these [papers used in the case] from the lodge [without paying Secretary for copying], he having had equal opportunity during the trial to secure them, with the lodge.—Rob Morris, in Voice of Masonry, 1859.
3 Starkie on Evidence, 9th ed., Pref.
4 Benet on Courts Martial, 224.
5 The object is the elicting of truth without enlargement or curtailment.—Morris' Dictionary of Freemasonry, 135.

books of accounts, letters, etc., which are admissible after proof of their authenticity has been presented. Direct or positive evidence is that derived from actual Direct or posknowledge. Indirect or presumptive evidence is where itive evidence. an inference is made from collateral facts ascertained sumptive. by competent means.

Indirect or pre-

140. Proof is the result of sufficient evidence to produce a conviction of the truth of the facts presented. Positive proof arises from direct evidence which estab- Positive proof. lishes or overthrows the truth of a matter in question. Presumptive proof arises from presumptive evidence that is, evidence that directly proves some fact, the proof. truth of which indirectly proves or disproves some other fact under investigation.

141. If every description of evidence were admissi- Effect of adble it might lead rather to error than to truth. attention would be diverted by irrelevant or immaterial criminately. evidence, and an investigation extended to an inconvenient length. To guard against these evils, rules for limiting and regulating the admission of evidence have been established from time to time.1

The mitting evi-

142. It has been stated before that the law of evi- Law of evidence must govern in Masonic trials, but without un- without techninecessary technicalities.2 As a rule, any person who is disqualified from giving evidence as a witness in the civil courts3 is disqualified as a witness in a Masonic trial; but the subject should be liberally treated, else justice would fail of her ends.

calities.

143. It follows from the foregoing, and the remarks Children and adults, when inin Code 63, that children who are too young to com-competent witprehend the nature of an oath,4 adults who from mental infirmities or the want of instruction do not understand this solemn obligation, or an atheist who does not competent.

Atheists not

¹ Phillips, 3. See "Oaths, or Their Equivalent," Code 63, etc.
2 The Grand Lodge refused to interfere when a technicality was relied upon as ground for reversal of the action of a lodge, even when appellant was sustained by a by-law, viz: "He claims that the by-laws of his lodge require the summons to be served by the Tyler, and that the summons on him was served by one of the committee. This we deem insufficient ground of appeal."—Page 114, 116, 1858; Code 108, 137, etc.
3 The general rule in equity is the same as in law, witnesses being held incompetent in both courts by reason of deficiency in understanding, deficiency in religious principle, infamy or interest.—Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 3d, 368.
4 Grand Lodge Proceedings, 1879, 49.

believe in the existence of a Deity or a state where that Deity will punish perjury,1 can not be admitted as a witness,2 inasmuch as such appeals do not impress their minds and can not be any tie upon them.

Children.

144. The competency or incompetency of children depends upon the degree of understanding they possess, not upon their age. The testimony of a child without oath, nor evidence of any statement which he has made to any other person, is admissible;3 nor can he be examined if he has not sufficient knowledge to understand the nature and consequences of an oath.

Idiots.

145. Defects of the understanding manifestly disqualify. An indiot, so born, and persons who have become permanently deranged, are incompetent.

Lunatics.

146. A lunatic is one who enjoys intervals of sound mind, and may be admitted in lucid intervals, but he can not be relied upon, and he must have been in possession of his intellect at the time of the event to which he testifies; and it ought to appear that no serious fit of insanity has intervened.

147. In the case of a monomaniac, so insidious is his Monomaniacs. mental disorder that it is best to exclude his testimony on all subjects.

witnesses.

148. Objection arising from the ignorance or unbe-Objection to lief of a witness ought to be made before he is sworn, because it assumes that he is incapable of being bound by an oath. Indeed, any objection ought to be taken in the first instance, otherwise the other party would avail himself of the testimony of the witness, if it were favorable, but would get rid of it by raising an objection if it turned out to be adverse. In cases where objection could not have been taken in the first instance, and his incompetency appears in his answers to questions, if it be discovered, the evidence of such a witness may be excluded at any stage of the proceedings.5

¹ Starkie on Evidence, 9th ed., 30; McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 118; De-Hart's Military Law, 390.
2 Starkie on Evidence, 9th ed., 29.
3 Starkie on Evidence, 117.
4 A person affected by a partial derangement, or of a single faculty of the mind, or with regard to a particular subject only.
5 Starkie on Evidence, 115.

The burden to show the incompetency is with the ob- Burden, with jecting party.

149. Before a witness takes the oath he may be Witness may be asked as to asked whether he believes in the existence of a God, in belief in God. the obligation of an oath, and in a future state of rewards and punishment; if he does, he may be admitted to give evidence. Defect in religious faith is never whom. presumed, and the burden is with the objecting party to prove that the witness is not a believer.2 Hence the Atheists, infidels. atheists and infidels are rejected as incompetent to testify as witnesses.3

150. A person born deaf and dumb may testify, but Deaf and dumb. the burden of proof is on the party producing the witness to show that he is a person of sufficient understanding. This being done, a deaf mute may be sworn and give evidence by means of an interpreter,4 or by writing, if he be able so to communicate his ideas, which is the better method.

151. A person born deaf, dumb and blind is supposed Deaf, dumb to be incompetent to testify.

152. A person convicted (followed by judgment) Infamy of charfor treason, perjury, forgery, bribing witnesses and similar crimes, is disqualified from giving evidence "on account of the infamy of their character." This, however, is a subject of extreme delicacy, and unless liberally treated, justice would often fail of her ends.5 In England and in several States the law upon the subject of objection on the ground of infamy has been rendered obsolete. In Masonic trials such a witness may be admitted, and the subject of his credibility be established by proof if desired.

153. Interested persons are not disqualified as wit- Interested pernesses, though the reverse was formerly the ruling. The fact of interest, however, goes to the credibility of the witness.

Starkie, 116; Roscoe's Crim. Evidence, 98; DeHart's Military Law, 391;
 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, 369.
 Greenleaf on Evidence, 417.
 Ibid. 369; Starkie on Evidence, 28; Coppee's Field Manual, 78. "The evidence of an atheist must be rejected."—McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 118.
 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, 366.
 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, 372-378; Starkie on Evidence, 117.

154. Husband and wife, whose interests are identi-Husband and cal, can not be witnesses for or against each other, because that would be inconsistent with the marriage relation.1 To this general rule there are some exceptions, but of so varied a nature that a few only will be noted.

The wife.

155. A wife may be admitted as a witness against her husband in an indictment for a criminal offense committed by him against her.2 In cases of personal injuries committed by the husband or wife against each other, the injured party is an admissible witness against the other.3 But only when it is an injury to her person,4 or reputation for chastity,5 not when it is to wrong her in her property, as by subornation of perjury.6 The wife who keeps her husband's books is a competent witness to prove his book of original entries.7 testimony of a wife, the only tendency of which is to discredit her husband, is not admissible.8 It is thought that the wife could only be admitted to prove facts that could not be proved by any other witness. The dying declarations of either are admissible where the other party is charged with murder.9

Wife: Accounts of husband, Discredit husband.

Dying declar-

Murder.

tion.

156. A witness is not obliged to answer questions by Self-crimina- doing which he would criminate himself; otherwise he would be under the strongest temptations to commit perjury, or be forced to a confession by a kind of duress, every species and degree of which the law ab-

Credit of a witness.

157. The credit of a witness may be impeached by

¹ Mass. Digest, 65.
2 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, 343. A brother's wife may give evidence against him . . . if the committee so decide. But this should be reserved for extreme cases . . . and should be used with great caution.—Rob Morris, in Voice of Masonry, 1859; Starkie on Evidence, 139.
3 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, 396.
4 It would not be either legal or Masonically proper for a lodge to admit the testimony of the wife against her husband in any case not recognizable by the civil law, or where the evidence would cause a violation of marital confidence, nor where a third party is interested in the conviction of the accused. But where the wife is the aggrieved party, and the object of the complaint is the restraining or reformation of the husband, the statements of the wife are clearly admissible.—Mass. Digest, 65.
5 Reg. 1049.

⁵ Reg. 1049.
6 Starkie on Evidence, 139; Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, 343.
7 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, p. 343.
8 Ibid.

⁹ Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, p. 346; Code 162. 10 Starkie, 41.

the cross-examination; or by general evidence affecting Affecting withis credit; or by evidence that he has before done or said that which is inconsistent with his evidence on the The credit of a witness can be impeached by By general evidence, general evidence only, and not as to particular facts not relevant to the issue. Nor can a party calling a wit- By one who called him. ness be allowed to impeach his general character, yet he may show that he has told a different story at another time.2

158. Negroes may give evidence in Masonic trials, Negroes. but the lodge will judge of the value of their testimony,3 as it will judge of the value of any testimony adduced.

159. "Hearsay" is a sort of second-hand evidence, Hearsay. that may be spoken or written, but does not derive its value solely from the credit of the witness himself. It rests in part on the veracity of some other person, and is not admissible, as a rule, but there are exceptions; among them, information of a contemplated attack, that induced a person to arm himself to meet it, may be proved or disproved. So the fraudulent representing a person worthy of credit; it may be proven when he was generally so reported among tradesmen with whom be dealt.6

160. The reason why mere "hearsay evidence" is generally not admissible is: 1st.—Because of its general unsatisfactory and uncertain character. 2d.—It is not given under the sanctity of an oath. 3d.—The party is not subjected to cross-examination. Pedigree and rela- Pedigree and tionship, marriage and death, may be proved by general reputation7-where, from the nature of the subjectmatter and situation of the parties, it is reasonable to presume that they knew the facts.8

161. General reputation must in all cases be confined General reputo general reputation, to the exclusion of mere declarations as to particular facts.

162. A dying declaration is received in evidence, but Dying declar-

Starkie, 237.
 Ibid., 221.
 Reg. 367.
 Greenleaf on Evidence, vol.
 p. 99.
 Reg. 360.
 Greenleaf, 102.
 Starkie on Evidence, 45.
 Ibid., 63.
 Is uniformly held incompetent to establish any specific fact, which, in its nature, is susceptible of being proven by witnesses who can speak from their own knowledge.—Greenleaf on Evidence, vol. 1, 115.

evidence that the deceased was a disbeliever in a future state of rewards and punishments is admissible to discredit it.1 Nor are they admissible unless the declarant believed that death was impending, not distant, and Caution in re- unless death actually ensued.2 "But as this is an exceivi'g evidence in violation of a ception to a rule which is in general to be considered absolutely necessary to the ascertainment of truth, it is to be received with the greatest caution."3

general rule.

Goodall vs. State, 1 Oregon, 333.
 McHugh vs. State, 31 Ala., 317.
 Starkie on Evidence, 35.

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[See Index "Forms."]

TRIALS FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

163. Many decisions have been made by Grand Masters and committees (approved by the Grand Lodge), to the effect that a Mason can not be "cut off" from the rights and privileges of Masonry without a trial; though, in case of suspension, the trial be for the too common offense of non-payment of dues. Then there Must be trial must be a trial before punishment, and the trial must ment. take place in the lodge opened on the highest degree Tried in what to which the accused has attained.2 Hence an Entered degree. Apprentice is tried by an Entered Apprentice Lodge, and so on.

164. The Committee on Jurisprudence [1867, 58,] in Wholesale susresponse to a question, reported: "The return of -Lodge shows that . . . fifty-six members had been suspended for non-payment of dues by a simple resolution. ... The Constitution of the Grand Lodge prescribes no mode of procedure where a Masonic penalty shall be inflicted, except under an arraignment . . It is nei- Arraigned bether in accordance with the spirit of Masonry nor the principles of justice, that a brother should be cut off from the rights and privileges of our order without Right to be an opportunity of being heard in his own defense, however manifest his guilt may be . . The requirements of Masonic law have not been complied with in the action

¹ Reg. 693, 320, etc. The suspended brother [for non-payment] is, for the time of his suspension, debarred from all the rights and privileges of a Mason.—McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 138. Grand Chapter Wisconsin, 1858, requires citation and formal trial before such suspension.

Held that a member of a lodge is bound by a double duty—his obligation to obey the by-laws, and his general duty in relation to charity, to pay the lodge contributions—and that a refusal to do so is a high misdemeanor in Masonry.—Morris' Code of Masonic Law, 201. It is the privilege and duty of a lodge to deal severely with members in heavy arrears for dues.—Kentucky Proceedings, 1858, 1161; Reg. 061.

2 Const. xii. 5. 1858, 110; Reg. 961. 2 Const. xii, 5.

Citation.

Citation before of — Lodge, inasmuch as these brethren were not suspension. cited1 to appear before the lodge, and offered an opportunity to show why they should not be suspended, to which they were certainly entitled as a right."2 report was concurred in.

165. In the light of former enactments, as well as of The law is the regulations now in force,3 the constitutional provisions can hardly be misunderstood. But that there may Mistakes in not be any mistakes—which are inexcusable in a matexcusable. ter so important-every step is given in the following forms, etc.

THE TRIAL FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES:

166. FIRST STEP: The delinquent must be regularly

Notice of in notified of the amount of his indebtedness .- (vii. 5.) debtedness.

167. This is simply justice.4 To suspend a brother for non-payment of dues without notice of the amount Why? owing, and not to give him an opportunity to pay it before the lodge resorted to action looking to his being cut off from Masonic rights and privileges,5 would be hasty and unlawful.6 It would be utterly ignoring the lessons of the "five points," and would subject the lodge to censure if not to arrest of charter.7

168. Second step: Citation to appear before his lodge and make defense if any he may have .- (vii, 5.)

169. Notice, Citation and Summons are practicably Synonymous synonymous,8 as action precedent to suspension for nonterms.

Notice essen- payment of dues. That is, the accused, or delinquent, must have "due and timely notice" of the accusation; also of the time when the matter will be decided by the lodge; yet it is not essential, and really is not desir-

Summons un- able, that formal summons shall be issued, because it is desirable, not necessary in order that he shall have full and timely notice of the complaint, and of the time when he is re-

E. A. never quired to respond. Entered Apprentices are never summoned.

¹ Code, Par. 169. 2 Compare with Reg. 323-325; Code 3. 3 Con. vii, 5, p. 24; Reg. 766-768, 956, 957; Code 167. 4 Reg. 693. 5 Reg. 694. 6 Reg. 767. 7 Gr. M. is to correct errors.—Reg. 437; and may arrest charter for cause.—Reg. 439.

8 When cite is synonymous with summons—Reg. 180. A notice to come forward to show cause why he shall not be suspended is legal.—Reg. 323; foot-

note, p. 88.

summoned because they are under no obligations to obey. Fellow Crafts and Master Masons may be sum- F.C. & M.M. moned, and punished for not answering and obeying. Nevertheless, summons ought not to be issued when a notice will answer the purpose.1

170. If a citation, or formal summons, in its ordi- And must obey. nary acceptation, be issued it must be obeyed.2 Any failure to do so ought to be met with prompt official notice and discipline. But a summons can not be issued Lodge issues it. without the authority of the lodge.3

171. It follows that the reasons for the citation must After being be given to the lodge before it would order the summons. These are: First. That the brother is indebted of debt owing. to lodge for dues, and to what amount. Second. That Bro. notified. he has been regularly notified thereof and when. It what notice is. ought also to appear that he received the notice. If he did not, he has not been notified at all.4 The exception when brother is when he can not be found, which implies honest is not found. search and inquiry.

172. If the brother can not be found notice and citation may be sent by registered mail.6 "If his address is not known to any member of the lodge ... every reasonable means of complying with the [constitutional] provision shall be exhausted before the lodge can take action." This is fair, and it is the law.

173. THIRD STEP: The lodge must give the delin- Delinquent to quent an opportunity to be heard. (vii, 5.)

174. If he is in attendance at the (stated) meeting in Trial if present, conformity with the notice or citation given him, the trial (and it is a trial) may proceed.8 If he is not pres- If not present. ent, a brother is appointed to represent him, and the lodge may take action as if he were present; provided, of course, that all the steps required have been substantially and fairly complied with.

175. To undertake to suspend any Mason, without Informal susthese formalities, is unjust as it is unlawful. It is con-pension.

¹ Code 50. 2 Reg. 943. 3 Reg. 945. 4 Reg. 323, 947. 5 In such a case a delay of three months ought to occur, and the facts be entered on the lodge records.—xii, 4. 6 Reg. 946. 7 Con., vii, 5.

S He can not be deprived of any right except by ballot (Reg. 768), and no ballot can be taken at a called meeting (Con., xi, 4).

trary to every principle of fair dealing and ought to receive prompt and effectual punishment.

176. When the three steps have been taken, the mat-The step first, then ter is brought up (substantially) as follows:2

PROCEEDINGS IN THE LODGE.

177. Master .- "Bro. Secretary. Read the record" in the case of Bro. Barry Carman for non-payment of The trial. dues. As he is not present, Bro. Thomas Lawless will represent him."

> 178. Secretary.—"In the minutes of January 8th, the following record appears:" (Reads it).

Certainty as to notice.

179. Master.—"Was the summons issued?"

180. Secretary.—"I issued summons in duplicate and delivered them to the Tyler to be served. mons has been returned as served. It reads as follows: (Reads it.) It is indorsed as follows:" (Reads.)

Oral proof in there is any doubt, or the summons has not been properly served, the Tyler is invited in that the real facts may be known. Only in such a case would this be Then he would be questioned about it necessary. something after this manner]:

181. Master.—"Bro. Junior Deacon: Invite the Tyler By one who in and take his place outside." (Done.) "Bro. Tyler, served notice. did you execute a summons on Bro. Barry Carman? If so, state on your honor as a Mason when and how it was done."

> 182. Tyler.—"I received a summons in duplicate, at the hands of the Secretary, for Bro. Barry Carman; one copy I delivered to him on February 20th, and indorsed the fact on the original copy, certifying to the service.5 I returned it to the Secretary" [or he states what he did do-when and how].

> 183. Master.—"Bro. Secretary, hand the summons to the Tyler for his inspection." (Done.)

¹ Code, Par. 166, 168, 173.
2 If the lodge is not ready, or for any good cause the matter can not or ought not to be concluded at this particular time, action may be deferred to a stated meeting named, and accused notified.—See Reg. 951.
3 The object is for information as to what has been done, to see that it is regular, and to be sure the record has been properly made.
4 See Form for Records of a Subordinate Lodge.
5 See Forms for Summons and Indorsement of Service.

184. Master.—" Is that a copy of the summons served upon Bro. Barry Carman?"

185. Tyler.—(Examines it). "This is a copy of the summons which I delivered to Bro. Barry Carman."

186. Master.—"Bro. Secretary, read the summons; also, read the account of Bro. Carman and state what you know about them."

187. Secretary.—(Reads as directed, and says): "From the account in the dues-book it appears that Bro. Barry Carman, a member of this lodge, owes a balance of \$---, dues to January 1st, which I state on my honor as a man and Mason, to be correct."

188. Master.—"Bro. Tyler, resume your place and request the Junior Deacon to return to his place in the lodge." [Done]. "Bro. Lawless, you can present any evidence or statement bearing upon this case that you desire." [Done].

The defense.

189. [The brethren "deliberate," if they wish, and The law. the by-laws touching non-payment of dues, etc., will be read and obeyed. Then the Master puts the matter to The vote on findings, vote substantially as follows, without any motion being made]:

190. Master.—"Brethren, you have heard the law and the evidence in the matter of Bro. Barry Carman, and have duly considered it. The ballot will be taken By ballot. to determine his guilt or innocence. Those of you who are of opinion that Bro. Barry Carman is truly indebted to this lodge in an amount exceeding one year's dues [or the amount as stipulated in the by-laws] will deposit a white ball; you who are of a contrary opinion will deposit a black ball. Bro. Senior Deacon, spread the ballot." [Done, examined and result announced. If he is not found to be indebted to an amount that will Not guilty. justify suspension the matter is dropped. If he is so indebted the Master says]:

191. Master-"You have found that Bro. Carman is Found guilty. guilty of non-payment of more than one year's dues. The ballot will now be taken to determine whether or Fixing penalty. not he shall be suspended. Those of you who are of

Can't expel.

opinion that Bro. Barry Carman should be suspended for non-payment of dues, will deposit a white ball; you who are of a contrary opinion will deposit a black ball. Bro. Senior Deacon, spread the ballot." [Done, examined and result announced]. There is no vote taken on expulsion because he can not be expelled for this of-Need not susp'd fense, though the lodge may refuse to suspend. It may Mayreprimand, reprimand, grant time, or remit the dues.

192. It is now proper to notice the disobedience of Disobedience the summons,1 if such there be, and the Master says:

193. Master .- "It appears that Bro. Barry Carman Cited to answer. received a summons and has not obeyed it. If there is Matters of no objection, he will be summoned to attend the next course, how put. stated meeting of this lodge to show cause, if any he has or can, why charges shall not be preferred against him for contumacy, in disobeying a summons." a moment]. "The chair does not hear any objection. Bro. Secretary, issue the summons accordingly."

194. [If there is an objection the Master, instead of directing the summons to be issued, says]: Objections.

> 195. "There is an objection. As many as are of opinion that the summons should be issued as stated, say, aye." [Done]. "As many as are of a contrary opinion, say, no." [Done]. "The ayes [or noes] have it." The summons will [or will not] be issued, [as the case may be].

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196. Is ignorance of the law and non-affiliation. Lodges have no moral or any other right to suspend Informal sus- members from their rights, without taking all the steps pensions, wrong with all the formalities required by the law. If it and void. should be done the action would be illegal and void.

> 197. Perhaps two-thirds of the suspensions are illegal. When application has been made by widows for relief, it is often discovered that the deceased husband was suspended for non-payment of dues, and an examination of the records, in almost every case, results in

¹ Reg. 943, 948.

Heading of

discovering that the suspension was illegal and void. It is wronging a brother and a violation of covenants.

198. Dues ought to be collected quarterly, or at far- when dues therest, every St. John's Day. This was the old custom, and a good one.

RECORD OF A COMMITTEE IN A TRIAL.

[See page 163, Code, 56, 57. The record should be on "legal cap" paper and secured at the top, but need not have the side notes, as given here for easy reference, though that would be better.]

Proceedings of the committee appointed to take evidence for and against Bro. James J. James, a Master Mason, Member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of Sobriety, Blank county, Kentucky, by virtue of the action of said lodge, as appears in the following extracts from its minutes:

"Washington Hall, Sobriety, Ky.,---, 1894.

"I, James Scribe, Secretary of Truth Lodge No. 1, Authority and F. and A. M., do certify that the following is a true, the committee. full and correct extract from the minutes of a stated meeting of said lodge, held at the time and place above written, touching the matter of charges preferred against Bro. James J. James, to-wit:

"Bro. St. John South, Junior Warden, presented the following

"CHARGES AND SPECIFICATIONS

Charges.

Preferred against James J. James, a Master Mason, The heading. member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of Sobriety, Blank county, Kentucky:

"CHARGE I.

"DRUNKENNESS.

"Specification 1.—In this: that he, Bro. James J. Drunkenness: James, a Master Mason, member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of Sobriety, Blank county, Kentucky, was drunk while on the streets of Sobriety. This on sundry occa-sions between the first and thirty-first day of January, eighteen hundred and ninety-four.

"Specification 2.—In this: that he, the said James J.

In lodge and James, a Master Mason of Truth Lodge No. 1, while drunk, and wearing a Masonic apron, the badge of a Mason, did attend the funeral of Bro. Farewell Flyaway. This at Sobriety, Kentucky, on the first day of February, eighteen hundred and ninety-four.

"CHARGE II.

"TRADUCING THE CHARACTER OF A MASTER MASON.

"Specification.—In this: that he, James J. James, a Traducing the Master Mason, member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of Socharacter of a Master Mason. briety, Blank county, Kentucky, did, at Host's Hotel, in Pleasuretown, Kentucky, on or about the fourth day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-four, and in the presence of a number of Masons and profanes, declare that Bro. Smithereen Smithers, a Master Mason and member of said Truth Lodge, was 'a scoundrel and a thief,' or words of like meaning and purport.

"CHARGE III.

"FORGERY.

"Specification.—In this: that he, James J. James, a Master Mason, member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of Sobriety, Blank county, Kentucky, did, without authority and with fraudulent intent, sign the name of Nathan Nabob to a check on the Silver Bank; which check is in the words and figures following, to-wit:

'\$500. GOLDBERG, KY., April 1, 1894. 'SILVER BANK.

'Pay to James J. James or bearer, Five Hundred Dollars.
'NATHAN NABOB.'

"This at or near Goldberg, Kentucky, on or about the first day of April, eighteen hundred and ninetyfour.

"CHARGE IV.

"BLASPHEMY.1

"Specification.—In this: that he, James J. James, a Master Mason, member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of So-

¹ Profanity is an offense against Masonry, . . . and a profane swearer is especially unfit to fill an office in a lodge.—Iowa, vii ed., 132.—Reg. 713, 714.

briety, Blank county, Kentucky, at divers times and in sundry places, in the presence and hearing of Masons and profanes, did blaspheme, taking the name of God in vain, using words improper to be written. This vain. in and about the lodge room of said Truth Lodge and in and about the town of Sobriety, between the first and tenth day of March, eighteen hundred and ninetyfour.

Taking the name of God in

"CHARGE V.

"GROSS UNMASONIC CONDUCT.

"Specification 1.—In this: that he, James J. James, Gross unma-Master Mason, a member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of Sobriety, Blank county, Kentucky, did falsely¹ tell John Johnson, a profane of Sobriety, in substance as follows, viz: That it had, been stated in open lodge at the last meeting of Truth Lodge No. 1, that he, the said Johnson, was a profligate and common gambler. This in Sobriety, on or about the tenth day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-four.

"Specification 2 .- In this: that the said James J. James, Master Mason, member of said Truth Lodge No. 1, did, by frequent inquiries and other means, seek Seeking to discover a ballot. to discover who it was that cast an unfavorable ballot on the petition of A. N. Aspirant, for initiation,2 who was rejected by Truth Lodge No. 1, at its meeting on the first day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-This at Sobriety, Kentucky, during the month of March of the same year, and since that time.

"CHARGE VI.

"DISCLOSING HIS VOTE IN SECRET BALLOT.2

"Specification.—In this: that he James J. James, Master Mason, member of Truth Lodge No. 1, of Sobriety, Blank county, Kentucky, did purposely state, in

¹ Reg. 383, 713. Held that falsehood in all its forms is repugnant to Masonic law.—Morris' Code of Masonic Law, 194.
2 Const., Art. ix, Sec. 8; Reg. 49; McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 50, 135. Any brother who exposes his ballot, or seeks to ascertain how another voted, or knowing how mentions it to another, is guilty of a Masonic offense.—Connor's (Tenn.) Digest. Any brother who discloses his ballot... or seeks to ascertain how others voted, it shall be the imperative duty of the W.: M.: to arraign him.—Iowa, vii ed., 131. him.-Iowa, vii ed., 131.

Disclosing his substance, that he had cast a white or favorable ballot vote in secret on the petition of A. N. Aspirant, for initiation, who ballot. had been rejected at a meeting of said Truth Lodge No. 1, holden on the first day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-four. This in the lodge-room of said Truth Lode No. 1, on day and date last written, and on the following day, in his place of business in Blank county, Kentucky.

> "[Signed.] ST. JOHN SOUTH, "Junior Warden of Truth Lodge No. 1.

"WITNESSES:

Witnesses.

- "Wm. Wideawake, M..., No. 32 Bassett st.
- "Seth Seektruth, F.. C ..., Brilliant street.
- "D. Morelight, E.. A ..., Dark alley.
- "Cash Greenback, Profane, Teller Silver Bank, Goldberg, Ky."
 - "The following resolution was then adopted:
- "Resolved, That the charges and specifications pre-Charges ap. ferred against Bro. James J. James are correct in form, proved. and of such a character as to require an investigation.

"Whereupon the Master appointed Bros. Alfred Committee ap. Ray, Jonas Ryan, Hiram West, Andy Hodges, Smith S. Smith and Thos. T. Thomas, a committee to take evievidence. dence for as well as against the accused, stating that he would act with the committee and preside at its meetings.

Witnesses.

"Bro. South, the Junior Warden, moved that the summons, etc., Secretary be directed to furnish a copy of the charges Accused serv. and specifications to the accused and a notice of the time and place for taking the evidence, when informed by the chairman of the committee; also that the Secretary issue summons for the Fellows and Master Masons, and written requests for the Entered Apprentices and profanes who were witnesses, to attend at the time and place fixed for the first meeting of the committee;

Tyler to exe. also to promptly give the papers to the Tyler to be cuté process. served; which motion prevailed.

I Equivalent to summons .- Code, 169.

"The Junior Warden stated that he had just been in- Change in the formed that Bro. Thos. T. Thomas, named on the committee to take evidence in the matter of charges against Bro. James, had expressed an opinion concerning the case in such manner as to render it prudent, at least, for some brother to be substituted for him on the committee. It was then stated what Bro. Thomas had said, and the Master excused him from serving on the committee, and appointed Bro. George Holt in his place."

[See form for lodge minutes, and copy all that relates to the trial and orders in the case. The paper is then signed by the Secretary and the lodge seal attached. This should be on paper such as the committee will use, that it may be stitched in with the proceedings at this place.]

LAW OFFICE OF LOQUACIOUS BROYLE, SOBRIETY, KY.,...., 1894. THURSDAY, 8 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The committee met pursuant to the foregoing action First meeting of Truth Lodge No. 1.

PRESENT:

SOLOMON BRIGHT, A. RAY, Jonas Ryan, Committee. HIRAM WEST, ANDY HODGES, GEORGE HOLT, St. John South, Junior Warden. JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary. JAMES J. JAMES, the Accused.

ABSENT:

Smith S. Smith (gone to New Orleans).

[The record must show that the accused is present at every stage of the Accused or his proceedings, or satisfactorily account for his absence. If he is not present in counsel should answer to summons, he is liable to another charge of contumacy, etc. If he be present, has absconded, that fact must appear, and a counsel who is a M.. M.. must be appointed to represent him; that he may object to any member named on the committee, if he have grounds therefor, and attend to the other interests of accused 1

The accused then asked that Bro. Jonas Ryan should Objections to not act on the committee because that brother had declared his opinion as to the guilt of accused and his intention to have the accused punished for the alleged crimes.

members.

After deliberation Bro. Jonas Ryan voluntarily withdrew from the committee.

Com'tee consults. [When objections are made to a member, if sustained, the member must not act. The committee may require all to retire, or can themselves retire, or consults.]

Committee and retary, and the Secretary was duly qualified by the Sec'y qualified. Chairman, both in presence of the accused [or his counsel, if he is not present].

The accused here made application to be permitted Accused's to introduce Bro. Loquacious Broyle, M..., as his counsel, which was granted, and Bro. Broyle appeared as counsel for the accused.

Witnesses rethe accused or the prosecutor). As a rule witnesses ought not to hear the charges and specifications in committee; though no harm is done if they do hear them.

The Secretary then read the extracts from the minutes of Truth Lodge No. 1. (See page 249-252).

[If these extracts, etc., are volumnious they may be marked so as to be How to append indentified, and be appended to the proceedings—and must be if not inserted regularly in the record. If so appended the record, instead of referring to the page, would read: "Which are hereto appended and marked 'A,'" or whatever the identifying mark may be.]

The charges and specifications were also read; to Arraignment. which the accused severally pleaded as follows, viz:

Pleas. To the first specification of Charge I. "Guilty."

To the second specification of Charge I. The accused said other Masons drank liquor, and he did not think it right for him to be singled out as an example. Refusing to plead directly, the Chairman ordered a plea of "not guilty" to be entered.

To the first charge. "Not guilty."

To the specification of Charge II. "Guilty, except, the words 'and a thief."

To the second charge. "Not guilty."

To the specification of Charge III. "Guilty, except the words 'without authority and with fraudulent intent."

To the third charge. "Not guilty."

To the specification of Charge IV. "Not guilty."

To the fourth charge. "Not guilty."

¹ Code 68, 69.

To the first specification of Charge V. The accused stood mute, and a plea of "not guilty" was ordered to be entered.

To the second specification of Charge V. "Not guilty."

To the fifth charge. "Not guilty."

To the specification of Charge VI. "Not guilty."

To the sixth charge. "Not guilty."

Bro. Alert Watchman, Tyler of Truth Lodge No. First witness. 1, was then duly qualified and testified as follows:

Question by the Chairman.—Bro. Watchman, we know you to be the Tyler of Truth Lodge No. 1.

[If not known, ask the question that the facts may be entered on the record.]

Have you delivered a copy of the charges and specifications preferred against Bro. James J. James and nother accused.

[Records must show that the accused was served with copy of charges and notice, and by whom served; or, if not, why, and what effort was made to find him. If the indorsement return of service of charges, etc., is in due form, the testimony of the Tyler may be dispensed with, and the following entry will be made in lieu thereof, viz: "The Secretary presented and read the return of service of copy of charges and citation on accused to attend this meeting of the committee, which is indorsed upon the charges (or appended thereto, and marked 'A,'" or as the case may be).]

Answer.—I have, and I also notified him to attend the first meeting of this committee appointed to take evidence in his case.

[Every paper filed should be presented to the committee, noted in the record, and "appended" with identifying mark. See note page 254.]

Bro. Wm. Wideawake, M.:. M.:., the second witness second witness. was called and duly qualified by the chairman.

Questioned by Junior Warden.—Bro. Wideawake, if you know anything about Bro. James J. James being under the influence of liquor, since the first of January last, state where and when it was, and all about it.

[Let witness give as full history as possible, without many questions. The How testimony Chairman at his own, or the suggestion of either party, should stop him if he given. wander into irrelevant matters, and require him to confine himself to the points at issue.]

Answer.—A few weeks after the Christmas holidays Example. I met Bro. James on the streets of Sobriety as I was going to dinner. He staggered badly from one side of

¹ Code 70.

the pavement to the other, and came up to me, put one arm around my neck, and tried to say something, but muttered it in such an incoherent way I did not understand him, except that he loved me. His breath smelled like bad whisky and rotten eggs. When I got free from him he staggered a few steps and fell into the gutter. A policeman then took him off. The next time I saw him was at the funeral of Bro. Farewell Flyaway. He had met with us in open lodge and went on the street in the procession; after arriving at the house of Bro. Flyaway the Senior Deacon took Bro. James' apron from him, and said the Master's order was for him (Bro. James) to go away, as he was drunk and a disgrace to the fraternity.

Question.—Did you know Bro. James was drunk when at the funeral?

Answer.—He looked and behaved like a drunken man.

Question .- How near were you to him?

Answer.—Near enough to smell whisky or brandy on him.

Question. * * * *

Answer. * * *

[So continue to ask such questions as will elicit the knowledge of the witness to the facts, without prompting him or permitting it to be done.]

CROSS-EXAMINATION.

Question by the Accused.—How did you know it was on me that you smelled whisky or brandy?

Answer.—Because I did not smell it until you got near me, and did not smell it after you had gone.

Example of an irrelevant ques tion. Question by same.—Do you not drink whisky sometimes?

The Junior Warden objected to the question as being irrelevant, which objection was sustained.

Private consultations of the committee may retire, or cause the room to be cleared, for delib-sultations of the eration, and should do so if any member desires, or they may consult privately committee. in any way.]

Question.—You said in your examination in chief that you had frequently heard the accused blaspheme; what do you mean by blasphemy?

Answer.—An indignity offered to God in words; Definition of blasphemy. irreverent words uttered impiously against Jehovah and taking His name in vain, or profanely.

Then the witness retired, and Bro. Edward Observer, M... M..., was called and duly qualified.1

Question by J. W. Answer.

[All the witnesses for the prosecution are severally introduced, qualified, How witness examined, cross-examined and re-examined, if desired, as much to the point as examined, etc. possible. Committee should reject all irrelevant matter and quibbling.]

The Junior Warden here announced the prosecution closed.

[The accused now introduces his witnesses, who are first examined by him or his counsel, and may be cross-examined by J. W. and re-examined by ac-

Bro. Charity Loveall, a M. M., the first witness for the accused, was then introduced, duly qualified by the chairman, and testified as follows:

Question by Accused. Answer.

CROSS-EXAMINED.

Question by Junior Warden. Answer.

The committee then adjourned to meet again at the same place on to-morrow, the --- instant, at 8 o'clock P. M. John Bright, Chairman.

JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SOBRIETY, —, 1894. Office of L. Broyle, 8 o'clock P. M.

The committee met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

The same members who were present yesterday, the Junior Warden, the accused and his counsel.

Bro. Smith S. Smith, of the committee, being pres- Member of ent also, and there being no objections, he was duly present at previous meeting.

committee not

¹ Code, 70.

qualified by the chairman, and took his seat with the committee.

mittee.

Power of comin the course of proceedings, but do not determine the guilt or innocence of the accused; hence it is competent for a member to sit at one meeting though not present at the previous one.]

> The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

> [The proceedings should always be read, and if need be corrected, before they are approved.]

Profanes to be sworn.

Mr. Martin Morelight, second witness for the accused, was introduced, and after being duly sworn² by N. G. Lawless, Notary Public of Blank county, testified as follows:

Question by the Accused. Answer. CROSS-EXAMINED.

Question by the Junior Warden. Answer.

RE-EXAMINATION.

Question by the Accused. Answer.

Question by a Member of Committee. Answer.

Then the witness retired.

[The committee may ask questions that appear necessary to bring out all Com't may ask. the facts. The accused introduces and examines all his witnesses.]

The accused asked for an adjournment of the com-Reasonable mittee until to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock P. M., to time granted to accused. give him time to prepare his final defense.

[When all the witnesses are examined the accused may ask, and should be Close of evigranted, reasonable time to prepare his final defense; or the committee having
taken all the evidence, adjourns and reports to the lodge, and "the final deFinal defense. fense" and arguments are made orally, or otherwise, at the trial in the lodge,
when opened on the highest degree to which the accused has attained.—xii, 5.] dence.

> The committee then adjourned until 8 o'clock tomorrow evening, the — day of —, 1894.

> > SOLOMON BRIGHT, Chairman.

JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.

[Each day's proceedings should be verified when approved, and each page Record signed. must be numbered.

¹ Code, 68. 2 Code, 71.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SOBRIETY, KY., —, 1894, OFFICE OF L. BROYLE, 8 O'CLOCK P. M.

OFFICE OF L. DROYLE, 8 0 CLOCK F. M

The committee met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Same members as yesterday, Junior Warden, the accused and his counsel.

The proceedings of yesterday were read and approved.

The accused, by his counsel, then presented his written defense, which is appended hereto, marked "A," and made a part of this record. He also stated that he would make additional remarks at the trial before the lodge.

[It is better to have these arguments in writing, though they may be orally delivered before the lodge at the final hearing, if the parties (accused or J. W.) desire. See note, "Final Defense," second day, page 258.]

The Junior Warden asked time to prepare his re- J. W.'s argusponse to the defense.

[If the Junior Warden does not wish to respond the proceedings are read, Minutes signed. and the committee signs the minutes and adjourns. See note above.]

The committee then adjourned to meet again on Monday evening, the — instant, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Solomon Bright, Chairman.

JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.

FOURTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

SOBRIETY, KY., ---, 1894.

Office of L. Broyle, Monday, 8 o'clock, P. M. The committee met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT:

Same members as on the — instant, the Junior Warden, Secretary, accused and his counsel.

[Each sitting of the committee must show that the accused was present, as well as the others mentioned. If he absents himself the cause should be given, and the committee extend every reasonable facility by adjourning, etc.]

The proceedings of the — instant were read and approved.

The Junior Warden then filed his argument, which

Manner of ap- is appended hereto, marked "B," and made a part of pending papers. this record.

Then the committee adjourned sine die.

Solomon Bright,
A. Ray,
HIRAM WEST,
ANDY HODGES,
GEORGE HOLT,
SMITH S. SMITH,

JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.

Who signs rethe final report, but a majority will be sufficient if the others' signatures can
not be obtained.]

COMPLAINTS AND TRIALS OF GRIEV-ANCES BETWEEN LODGES.

199. A lodge feeling aggrieved at the action of another lodge, should present the matter to the offending lodge; or a committee of discreet brethren may be appointed to lay the cause before it. In most instances, if presented in a clear, kind and courteous manner, in the spirit of brotherly love and fairness, the trouble will be amicably and satisfactorily adjusted.

step. appointed to prepare a written complaint in the form of charges; or any Master Mason may prefer the charges, which, being submitted to and approved by the lodge, they are signed by the Master, attested by the Secretary under the lodge seal, and disposed of as provided in Article xiv, Section 4, page 35, of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, which see.

201. The notice of the time and place for taking the The evidence. evidence must be a reasonable notice, giving the opposite party time to attend by its representatives and cross-examine the witnesses if he so desires.

Rules in trials. as far as applicable, should be strictly observed.

Record sent Gr. 203. In addition to the record being signed by the committee it should be summitted to the lodge, and a

Second step.

Attestation.

copy, over its seal and attestation of its Secretary, must be forwarded to the Grand Secretary, as required by the Constitution. (Page 35.)

204. The complaint should be headed as in the case The complaint, of charges against a brother; and the charge proper should be expressed, if practicable, as a violation of constitutional enactment, whenever any article or section is alleged to have been disregared, thus:

how expressed.

205. Charge and specification preferred by — Lodge No. —, F. and A. M., located at ——, county of —, Kentucky, against — Lodge No. –, F. and A. M., located at —, county of —, Kentucky.

206. CHARGE. - Violation of the first Section of Of charge, Article eight, Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

207. Specification.—In this, that — Lodge No. And specifica--, F. and A. M., located at -, county of -, Kentucky, did receive the petition and confer the degree of Entered Apprentice upon A ____, whose residence was at ----, being - miles nearer to ----Lodge No. -, located at ---, county of ---, Kentucky, than to said — Lodge, No. —.

This on the — day of —, 1894, and without the consent of the lodge having exclusive jurisdiction over said applicant. X. Y. ZEE, Master,

SEAL. 1 — Lodge No. —, F. and A. M. H. I. JAY, Secretary.

208. The evidence being taken, and the record sent The record sent Gr. Sec. up as required by the Constitution [Art. xiv, Sec. 4, p. 35, and the matter is determined by the Grand Lodge.

¹ See Const., Art. xi, Sec. 1.

FORMS OF DOCUMENTS, ETC.

FOR CHARGES. [Also see pages 249-251.]

CHARGES FOR DISOBEDIENCE OF LODGE SUMMONS.

This may be "Disobedience of Lodge Summons," or "Contumacy," which means: willful contempt of, or disobedience to, any lawful summons, or to the rules and orders of court, or our laws, etc. It is pertinacious resistance to authority.

Charge must be headed .- See Code, 28:

PETITION FOR INITIATION.

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	————, Ky., ———, 189—.
To the Officers and Members of	and solver with the control to the control of the c
- <u>-</u> -	— Lodge No. —, Free and Accepted Masons

Prompted by a favorable opinion of Freemasonry, and not being biased by improper solicitation nor influenced by mercenary motives, I voluntarily offer myself as a candidate for the mysteries of your venerable fraternity and membership in your lodge.

I submit my character for investigation and, if elected, promise to conform to all the laws and usages of the fraternity.

I was born in, State of, on the day of
18. My occupation is that of Place of business
I have resided at ——— (where I now live) since ———, 18-
and have never before petitioned any lodge of Freemasons.1
Recommended by Sign FULL name.
Members of the Lodge.
PETITION FOR APPLICATION.
, Ky.,, 189
To the Master, Wardens and Brethren of Lodge No, F. A. M.
I respectfully ask to be admitted to membership in your lodge
hereby renewing my promise to stand to and abide by the law
and usages of the fraternity.
I am a Mason in good standing, and herewith file m
demit from Lodge No, of (under the jurisdic
tion of the Grand Lodge of), of which I was last a mem
ber, and have not petitioned any other lodge since the date of my
demit.1
I was born in, State of, on the day of
18. My occupation is that of Place of business
I have resided at — (where I now live) since —, 18—
Recommended by Sign FULL name.
Members of the Lodge.
SUMMONS ORDINARY AND FOR NON-PAYMENT
LODGE-ROOM OF TRUTH LODGE No. 1, F. A. M.,
Sobriety, Ky.,, 18
Bro. A—— B——:
You are hereby <i>summoned</i> and required to attend a meeting of Truth Lodge No. 1, at its hall in Sobriety, on ——, the — day
. If he has the data with name and location of the ladge notitioned west be given and the

If he has, the date with name and location of the lodge petitioned must be given, and the committee on investigation should write to the lodge. But to secure answer Secretary will have to certify, under seal, that they are the committee.

of ——, 18—, at 7:30 of have, why you should not and not depart therefrom [Seal here. ¹] ———, Secretary.	ot be suspended for	non-payment of dues
SUMMO	NS FOR WITNE	ESSES.
На		GE No. 1, F. A. M.
Bro. ——: You are hereby s ing of the committee app Bro. ——, and not dep Chairman of said commit No. —, —— street, on — P. M. [Seal here.] —— Secretary.	pointed to take evidence oart therefrom with tee, which will mee —, the — day of —	out permission of the
NOTICE	OF DELINQUE	NCY.
HAL Bro. A—— B——:	. ог —— Lodge ——, К	c, No. —, F. A. M.
	you that your dues t	o December 27, 18—,
are unpaid. Amount, \$-		\$20 A
Frate	rnally,	, Secretary.

Extract from the By-laws.—Art. —, Sec. —. The dues are \$— per annum, payable in June and December:

SEC. —. The Secretary shall notify every member owing one year's dues, and report the fact of notice, how it was served and amount of indebtedness, at the first stated meeting in January.

SEC. —. A member owing one year's dues, having been notified thereof, shall be cited to answer at the next stated meeting, when, if he fails to pay the same, may be suspended.

¹ No document... of a lodge is considered authentic unless the seal of the lodge is affixed.

-McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 149. See Const. Art. xi, Sec. 1. All official communications between lodges should be in writing, authenticated by hand and seal.—Rob Morris, 1859.

[OR THIS:]
Bro. ——: To Hiram Lodge No. 4, DR. For 6 months' dues, to December 27, 1893 \$2 50
NOTICE TO ACCUSED.
HALL OF —— LODGE, No. —, F. A. M., ——————————————————————————————————
TAKE NOTICE.—At a stated meeting of — Lodge No. —, held on —, 18—, charges, etc., (a copy of which is appended hereto) were preferred against you, and a committee was appointed to take evidence for as well as against you. Said committee will meet at —, on the —, 18—, at — o'clock P. M., at which time and place you are required to attend. [Seal here.] By order of the Lodge, —, Secretary. —, Master.
NOTICE OF FINAL ACTION OF THE LODGE.
HALL OF — LODGE, No. —, F. A. M., ——————————————————————————————————
At a stated meeting of — Lodge No. —, F. A. M., holden on the —, 18—, the report of the committee, appointed to take evidence in the matter of charges against you, and all the evidence in the case were read; whereupon the lodge found you as follows: [Here copy the entire findings.] And said lodge did therefore —— [Here copy the sentence or acquittal.] [Seal here.] ——, Secretary.
NOTICE OF APPEAL.
To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of — Lodge No. —: TAKE NOTICE.—The undersigned, "declaring himself aggrieved by the decision" of — Lodge No. —, F. A. M., hereby ap- 1 Const., xiv, 2.

peals to the Grand Lodge of Kentucky from the action of said lodge in [expelling] him; and upon the following grounds, viz:

[Here give the reasons.]

[Here give degree attained and name of lodge to which he belongs.]

APPLICATION FOR NEW TRIAL.

To the Worshipful Master, Wardens and Brethren of --- Lodge No. --F. A. M .:

The undersigned respectfully submits—that injustice was done him in his recent trial, which resulted in his being [expelled, suspended, or sentenced to be reprimanded, as the case may be] by your lodge, in this: That

[Here give the reasons.]

Wherefore he prays that a new trial be granted.

RETURN OF SUMMONS, Etc.-FORM 1.

Executed on the within named Bro. —— by delivering to him a true copy of the within summons | notice of charges and specifications, or as the case may be this —— day of ——, 18—.

> ----, Tyler² of — Lodge No. —, F. A. M.

RETURN OF SUMMONS-FORM 2.

Executed on the within named Bro. —— by enclosing a true copy of the within summons [or whatever the paper may be] in a prepaid envelope addressed as follows:

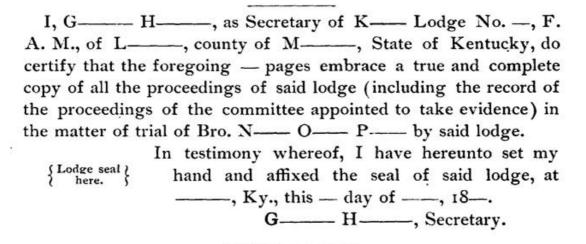
[Here give the address as it was on the envelope.]

registered and deposited in the postoffice at —, on this — day of —, 18—, per receipt of postmaster hereto attached.3

> —, Tyler² of — Lodge No. —, F. A. M.

¹ Or, in expelling [or suspending] Bro. A—B—, etc. 2 Reg. 944; Code, 50-53.
3 Reg. 946, 947; or, by his receipt hereto attached.

CERTIFICATE IN APPEAL CASES.



FOR ESTABLISHING A NEW LODGE.

THE FIRST STEP is to prepare a petition, which ought to be substantially as follows:

To the Most Worshipful,

The Grand Master 1 of Masons in Kentucky:

The petition of the undersigned respectfully showeth that they are regular Master Masons, and have been members of regular lodges (as will appear from their Certificates of Demit which accompany this petition); that having the prosperity of the Fraternity at heart, they are willing to exert their best endeavors to diffuse the genuine principles of Freemasonry; that for convenience to their respective dwellings,2 and for other good reasons, they have agreed to form a new lodge, to be called 3 _____ Lodge U. D., that in consequence of this resolution they pray the Most Worshipful the Grand Master for a dispensation to empower them to assemble as a regular lodge at _____, in the county of _____, there to discharge the duties of Freemasonry in a regular and lawful manner, according to the Usages of Freemasons, and of the edicts, regulations and Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. That they have nominated and recommend Bro.5 ---to be the first Master, Bro.5 --- to be the first Senior Warden, and Bro.5 - to be the first Junior Warden of said lodge. The

¹ Or, if the Grand Lodge is about to meet, it may be addressed to the Grand Lodge.

² Give any additional reasons desired.
3 The name, if not that of the postoffice, should be Masonically appropriate, and is subject to change by the Grand Master, etc. The name of a living person is of questionable propriety, and is made unlawful by some Grand Lodges.
4 Or Grand Lodge.
5 Give name in Full.

prayer of this petition being granted, the undersigned promise a strict conformity to every edict of the Grand Master, and to all the laws of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky.

The lodge of Freemasons nearest to the place where it is proposed to establish said new lodge is ____ Lodge No. _, which is located at _____, and is _ miles [north, or whatever direction it may be from our proposed new lodge; and all the other lodges whose jurisdiction would be affected if said new lodge should be instituted are as follows [here give the name and numbers of the lodges1], viz: — Lodge No. —, which is — miles east from -- [name of place where the new lodge is to be located]; - Lodge No. -, - miles west; - Lodge No. -, which is - miles south, and - Lodge No. -, - miles north of the proposed new lodge.2 { Petitioners to sign } names in full. }
It is signed by the Brethren themselves in ink.

The petition must be signed by not less than seven Master Masons and as many more as desired, whose demits must accompany the petition. It is doubtful whether the Grand Master or Grand Lodge would grant a dispensation to only seven.

This petition is presented to the nearest lodge at its regular meeting; and the proposed officers named therein must (if the lodge is willing) be examined as to their knowledge of the several degrees, and ability to confer them in proper manner; and a certificate like the following should be indorsed on the petition, always provided that the lodge so determines—it being the sole judge in the matter:

I The name of the nearest lodge in every point of the compass should be given, with the distance to the place where the new lodge is to be located. The fact that a lodge is thirty or more miles away does not curtail its jurisdiction, as territorial jurisdiction extends to the State borders or half way to the next lodge, no matter how far away it may be.

2 Insert names of lodges between these points, if any, giving direction and distance. It would be well to send a diagram showing the location, etc.

HALL OF	— Lodge, No. –,
-	—, Ky., 18—.

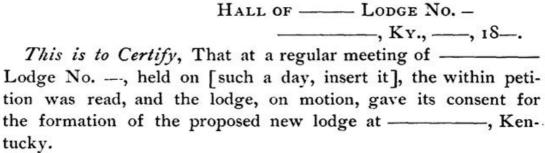
This is to certify, that at a stated meeting of the abovenamed lodge, holden on the day above written, the foregoing petition was read, and the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1. That this lodge hereby recommends the establishment of a lodge at ————, as prayed for in the petition.

2. That the principal officers (Masters and Wardens) of the proposed new lodge, were examined in this lodge while opened on the Third degree, and were found to be qualified to do the work of Masonry according to the Ancient Landmarks.

3. That said new lodge is necessary.	
[Seal here.]	, Master
, Secretary.	

Every other lodge whose jurisdiction will be affected by the proposed new lodge must (if they so elect) give their consent, which is certified substantially as follows:



[Seal here.] ————, Master.

When all is ready, send the petition, demits and certificates with the fee (\$8) to the Grand Secretary, who will examine and forward it to the Grand Master for his orders.

The names of several present or Past Masters, who are competent to set the lodge to work, with the names of the lodges to which they belong, should be given in the letter of transmittal, that the Grand Master may, if he so elects, appoint one of them as his proxy for that purpose.

I Constitution, Article x.

SETTING THE LODGE TO WORK.

When the dispensation is sent to the proposed new lodge it will be accompanied by a commission, or proxy, of the Grand Master (if he does not act in person), authorizing some present or Past Master to set the lodge to work.

Those interested having assembled at the time and in the place agreed upon, the Grand Master's proxy will take the gavel as if he was Master of the lodge and proceeds as follows:

Grand Master's proxy - [gives one loud knock with the gavel; all present take seats and maintain silence]: "Bro. ——, please act as Secretary [takes his seat as such]. I have a proxy from the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Free and Accepted Masons, commissioning me to install the officers of a new lodge in this place, and set it regularly to work. The commission of proxy reads as follows: [Reads it.] The dispensation for the lodge is as follows: [Reads it.] These documents will be copied in full upon the minute-book of the new lodge."

Thé Grand Master's proxy as installing officer appoints Wardens and other *pro tem*. officers, then regularly opens "a lodge of Master Masons."

He is not a Grand Officer, and does not open the Grand Lodge, but proceeds as the Master of a lodge would do.

When the lodge is opened he holds an election for Secretary, Treasurer and Tyler, which is merely to ascertain the choice of the brethren. The brother who is named in the dispensation as Master indicates who will be the Deacons, and the installing officer proceeds with the ceremony of inducting all the officers into their respective offices. (See Monitors.)

The ceremony of receiving the installing officer may be formal if desired. (See Monitors.)

When all is done the proclamation is made that the new lodge is legally constituted and its officers regularly installed and charged.

The commission of proxy and the dispensation must be copied in full in the minute-book, and the proceedings kept so as to show what was done. Then the minutes ought to be read and approved (signed) by the proxy, who will also indorse the fact on the commission and return it promptly to the Grand Secretary.1

The lodge is, according to the laws of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, a regular lodge under dispensation, with all the powers and privileges (during its existence) of a chartered lodge, save that it may, but is not required to have a seal; its three principal officers are appointed by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master, and its holds no election except the one on the occasion of its being set to work, that the brethren may select their own Secretary and Treasurer.

It makes returns, pays dues and has a representative to Grand Lodge as any other lodge.

Its dispensation, by-laws, records and ledger are sent to the Grand Secretary two weeks before the Grand Lodge meets, and if any change of name, etc., is desired, the matter should be decided on in open lodge, and certified to the Grand Secretary when the books are sent up.

Here follows a list of the officers.

2 Const. x.

This certifies that, as proxy of the M.: W.: Grand Master, I assembled the brethren constituting — Lodge U. D. [or No. —], held an election, installed and charged the officers and set the lodge to work as prescribed in the written proxy, and on the day above written. I also caused this commission of proxy and the dispensation [or charter] of said lodge to be copied in full on its records.

[Signed,]

SECRETARY'S CASH BOOK.

Dr.			Cash.		Brig	ht Lodg	e No.	4.
1893.							L. F.	1
Jan'y	2	Rec'	d Solomon Bright,	Due	s to Dec.	27	14	\$ 30
"	"	"	James A. Jones,	46	"		10	3 0
"	"	"	Sam. W. Smith,	Fee	with peti	t'n	65	10 0
"	16	"	Thos. Watchful,	Due	s to Dec.	27	9	3 0
"	"	44	Sam. Trusty,	"	"		3	3 0
Feb'y	6	44	Sam. W. Smith,	Fee	for degre	e	65	5 0
"		"	Horace Dark	Due	s on accou	nt	44	10
**	"	46	Ben. Welcome,	44	to Dec.		17	3 0
M'ch	6	"	Sam. W. Smith,	Fee	for degree		65	5 0
"	"	"	Alf. Ray,		s to Dec.		15	3 0
"	66	"	Horace Dark,	"	on accou		44	10
"	20	"	John Ryan,	44	to Dec.		21	3 0
"	4.	66	Peter Early,	"	to June	24	11	3 0
April	3	**	St. John South,	**	"		7	60
June	24	44	Sam. W. Smith,	66	**		65	2 4
"		4.	Sol. Bright,	"	**		14	3 0
"	44	44	Andy Hodges,	46	**		15	3 0
"	46	"	Thos. Watchful,	"	"		9	3 0
"	66	44	Truth L'dge No.	r.			,	
1	1		rent of hall to	.,	"		75	25 O
**	44	44	Sam. Calveard,	44	"		18	4 0
66	4.		Geo. Middleton,	**	"		13	3 50
"	"		John Todd,	"	"		2	3 0
"	6.	"	R. Putnam,	**	41		23	3 10
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			960					\$119 0

The "L. F." column is page of dues book, but is left blank until amount is "posted." When the page is so entered it means that the item is properly posted, and where.

Always enter money received before receipt is made. Never deviate from this practice, then there will be less chance for forgetting it. Make the receipt from the entry. If stub receipt book is used fill stub the first and copy it into the receipt. Enter in the cash book from the stub at earliest possible moment—immediately if practicable.

There is no danger of being over particular in these rules. Follow them closely.

Enter receipts of money on left side of cash book, and post to the right (credit) side of each account in dues book as soon as convenient—which does not mean it is to be neglected.

The "L. F." (Ledger Folio) is page of dues book, which is entered at once when the amounted is posted to the account.

SECRETARY'S CASH BOOK-Credit Side.

	Cash.	Bright Lodge No. 4.		Сz.
eb'y ch. " pril	Paid Samuel Transfer Same Same Same Same Same Same Same Same	, " , " , "	L. F. 70 " " " " " " " " "	\$16 00 6 00 9 00 9 00 6 00 6 00 67 05
			٠	\$119 05

This side of cash book is for amounts paid to the Treasurer. The Secretary has no right to pay money to any one else. See Reg. 912, 913, 914.

Take receipts in a book, not on slips, for moneys paid to Treasurer.

NEVER use the lodge money for anything, but pay it to the Treasurer promptly. Don't yield for an instant to any temptation to do so. Pav it promptly.

THE TREASURER would enter these items on the "Dr." side of his cash book, and payments on this ("Cr.") side, thus:

June 24 Paid John Jones, cleaning hall, Order No. 1 The "L. F." column can be used for number of the voucher or order.

Use as many lines for an entry as are needed, but be terse, yet full.

Keep the lodge money separate from private funds-in bank, if possible, and to the credit of the lodge, or to your credit as Treasurer, not in a personal account.

SECRETARY'S DUES BOOK.

D	z.				Sam	uel	Q,	Vm. 8	Br	igh	t.			Cr.	
Initiated Jan. 31, 1890. Admitted Demitted					Rei	Passed March 12, 1890. Raised April Reinstated Expelled Died						5.0355			
1890.					J. F.			1890.	1 1				C.F.		_
Apl.	23	To deg	gree	s,	1	\$20	00	Jan'y		Bv	casi	h	2	\$10	00
June	1		sto	date,	, .	2	50	Mch.		"	44		1 -	5	
Dec.	27	44	44	"	1	3	00	Mch.			66		2	5	
1891.					i			June	24	"	44		2	2	50
June	24	**	44		1	3	00	Dec.		"	"		4	3	00
Dec.	27	44	46	**		3	00	1891.	11						
1892.								June	24	"	"		4	3	00
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					1			Jan'y	2	66	66		8	3	00
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						\$40	50						1	\$40	50

Notes.—The "C. F." (Cash Book) column is for page of cash book. Great care in keeping this book should be taken, and it ought always to be "posted." The "J. F." (Journal Folio) column, for Day or Record book.

Charge the dues on the "Dr." (debit) side the day, or day before, they fall due or are payable according to the by-laws, and credit the amounts paid on the right "Cr." (credit) side promptly.

The charge for fees may be entered when the candidate is elected to receive each degree, but it is better, perhaps, to wait until the degree is taken, then charge it.

The dates when degrees were taken, and other dates as suggested above, wi!l be of value and preserve the record in convenient form for ready reference, and should be done unless a separate *Register* is kept.

In all cases books ought to be fully and promptly posted.

The Finance Committee ought to examine them critically, immediately after or before June 24 and December 27. Honest officers will not object to this.

Index the dues book. To commence, it would be well to enter the names alphabetically in this book, or a few blank pages may be left after the accounts beginning with the A's, then a few after the B's, and so on, so as to keep them in alphabetical order, if desired, but keep an index, and enter names in it as soon as an account is opened, and before making any entry in it.

Keep every book neat and correctly.

RECORDS OF SUBORDINATE LODGE.

[See page 163.]

Full notes of the minutes may be kept, and be neatly copied into the record book. When read in open lodge, if approved, they should be signed immediately by the Master, before anything else is done. The margin at the left of the page should be its index.

Official communications, circulars, etc., from the Grand Master, or Grand Secretary, should be read in open lodge and the fact, with a summary of the paper, should go upon the record.

Records should be kept in a proper record book, not on sheets of paper .-1867, 5S; Reg. 833.

Everything done in a lodge [proper to be written] or promulgated officially, should be placed on record .- Reg. S32.

The records must show that the action of the lodge is in accordance with Masonic law and usage.-Reg. \$35.

The records should be kept in a plain formal manner, avoiding all remarks or comments by the Secretary.-McCorkle's Jurisprudence, 72; also Reg. 918.

The records should show that the [stated] meeting was held, or why it was not . . . the period of a regular meeting should not pass, even though the lodge was not opened, without a statement on the record book . . . and the reasons . . . and what was actually done, if anything-Gray's Mystic Circle, 510. That it was duly opened ... or what degree ... action was according to law and usage .- Reg. \$35-\$37.

STATED MEETING.

415th meeting.

Jan. Sth, 1894.

TRUTH LODGE No. I met in its lodge room, Washington Hall, Sobriety, Blank county, Ky., Tuesday, January 9, 1894.

PRESENT.1

Present.

W. Solomon Bright, Master.

Bro. HIRAM WEST, Senior Warden.

- " St. John South, Junior Warden.
- " JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.
- " SAMUEL TRUSTY, Treasurer.
- " BENJ. WELCOME, Senior Deacon, pro tem.
- " WM. ALERT, Junior Deacon.
- " THOMAS WATCHFUL, Tyler.

PAST MASTERS .- Alfred Ray, Jonas Ryan, Andy Hodges.

BROTHERS.2—R. B. Gentry, H. C. Manley, Peter

¹ The offic rs' names must appear in the record to show that a sufficient number of brethren who were authorized to open the lodge were present.

2 It is perhaps lawful for a lodge to keep a register at the door, requiring the Tyler to see that every brother is registered (giving name, number and location of his lodge) before entering the lodge-room; in which case the Secretary enters in lieu of the names of private members and visitors these words:

"For members and visitors see register of this date." But if so used the register should be immediately closed by a ruled line and attestation of the Secreister should be immediately closed by a ruled line and attestation of the Secretary as soon as the lodge is closed. It is not the most desirable method, because, ist, a member participating in the entire business may not register at all or be the last one to do so. 2d, members who came in last may appear to have been present during the entire proceedings. The strictly correct method is to note in the record who were present at the opening, and then note the entrance and departure of every brother, but in large lodges this can not be done, and the register seems to be essential.

Allison, Thomas T. Thomas, James J. James, Smith S. Smith.

VISITORS.—J. A. Pilgrim, P. M. of Friendly Lodge No. 2, Ricetown, Blank county, Texas.

A lodge of Master Masons was opened in form1 at M. M. lodge. 7:30 o'clock, P. M.

The minutes of the stated meeting of Dec. 27th, 1893, Minutes ap. and called meeting of January 1st, 1894, were read and approved.2

A petition³ for membership was received from Bro. Petitions-LaRue St. LaRue St. James, P. M., residence Sobriety, accom-James, P. M., for membership panied by a demit from Star Lodge No. 3, Bassettville, Virginia, recommended by Bros. Ben. Allison and Alf. Ray and referred to Bros. Andy Hodges, H. C. Manley and Wm. Day.

A petition for initiation was received from Thos. S. Thos. S. Y. Sinton, for ini-Y. Sinton, aged 23,5 residence Morristown, recomtration. mended by Bros. Hiram West and St. John South, accompanied by \$10, and referred to Bros. P. Allison, Samuel Trusty and Jonas Ryan.6

Bro. Wm. Day, for the Finance Committee, pre-Finance Committeesented the following report, and the resolution accompanying it was adopted, to-wit:

"The Finance Committee respectfully report that Report: it has carefully examined the books, accounts and Acc'ts examin'd vouchers of the Secretary and Treasurer, covering the past six months, and find all posted and added correctly, the amounts correspond with each other and with the vouchers. There being \$2,532.50 balance in the treasury, your committee offer the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Master and Wardens, in con-

I When a Warden presides, the lodge is said to be "opened with the usual ceremonies." When the Master or a P. M. presides it is "opened in form." When a Deputy Grand Master, Grand Warden or proxy of the G. M., it is "opened in due form," but when the Grand Master presides it is said to be "opened in ample form."

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[&]quot;opened in ample form."

2 The minutes after approval can not be altered or expunged.—Chase's Digest, 423. The right of the Master over the records does not extend to the erasing or omitting anything actually done... proper to be recorded... After being... approved... they can not be altered.—McCorkle's Juris., 149.

3 The world should not know who petitions a lodge... and no rejection should be made public.—Gray's (Miss.) Mystic Circle, 496.

4 The residence is given to show that the lodge has jurisdiction.

5 Age is given that records may show he was of "lawful age."

6 The law requires all these things to be done, hence the record must show that the law was complied with.

that the law was complied with.

nection with the Finance Committee, be hereby author- Committee to ized to invest \$2,500 of the balance in the treasury of funds. Truth Lodge No. 1, in some safe and profitable manner."

The lodge was called from labor to refreshment.

Lodge to refreshment.

A lodge of Entered Apprentices was opened in form. E. A. Lodge.

Bro. A. B. Cee was examined by the Master as to A. B. Cee exhis proficiency.

The lodge was then closed in form.

E. A. Lodge

A lodge of Fellow Crafts was opened in form,2 and closed. F. C.'s Lodge. Bro. A. B. Cee, desirous of passing to the degree of F. C., whereupon the ballot was taken upon his proficiency,3 which was approved by unanimous vote.

Examination approved.

The ballot was again taken on his passing, and he Elected to F. was elected by unanimous vote to receive the degree of C. degree. Fellow Craft.

Bro. A. B. Cee was then passed to the degree of Fel- A. B. Cee passlow Craft.

The Fellow Crafts' Lodge was closed in form.

Lodge closed.

The Masters' Lodge was called from refreshment to M. M. Lodge to labor. labor.

The committees on petitions of Daniel Lyon and The committees on petitions of Daniel Lyon and Daniel Lyon Aaron Moses for initiation made reports, whereupon ses elected. the ballot being taken upon each petition separately, the candidates were severally declared duly elected.

The committee on petition of John Jones for initia- John Jones retion made report, and a ballot was taken, and one black ball appearing, the ballot was again spread, and resulting as before, he was declared rejected.

¹ This is done in open lodge and in hearing of all the brethren present.
2 It is not necessary to say all E. A.'s retired, as the lodge is always purged before being opened or "called on," as a part of the "usual ceremonies" or "form" and usage.
3 Const., Art. ix, Sec. 2. Objection for want of proficiency should be expressed by separate ballot (Reg. 48), for the reason that it would subject the candidate to unnecessary mortification and a three months' delay if decided adversely by the same ballot for advancement to which there might be no objecversely by the same ballot for advancement to which there might be no objection. The want of proficiency is an objection not derogatory to his character and may be removed in a single hour.

4 It is held to be improper to say on the minutes whether a report in such a case is favorable or unfavorable. The opinion of a brother as to qualification of a candidate ought not to be made a matter of record.

On motion the fee accompanying his petition was or-Fee refunded. dered to be refunded.1

Bro. Samuel North offered the following resolution, Amendment proposedwhich lies over under the rule:

Resolved, That Article x, Section 3, of the by-laws, To Art. x of by-laws. be amending by striking out "\$5" and inserting "\$6," so as to make the dues \$6 per year.

The proposed amendment to Article ix, of the by-To Art. ix. laws, offered at the first stated meeting in December (see records, page —), increasing the fees for degrees to \$40, was read; whereupon,

> Bro. South moved to amend by striking out "\$40" and inserting "\$30, and for either of the degrees, when all are not taken in this lodge, \$10 each."

> This amendment prevailed, and the proposed change in the by-laws as amended was adopted by two-thirds of the members present voting in favor of it.2

Bill of T. A bill of T. Landlord, \$50, for sundry repairs of Landlord. lodge-room, was presented, and on motion referred to the Finance Committee.

Bro. St. John South, Junior Warden, presented the Charges 7's. Jas. J. James. following charges and specifications against Bro. James J. James, to wit:

[Insert them here. See foot note.3]

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the charges and specifications are cor-Charges entertained. rect in form and of such character as to require an investigation.

Whereupon the Master appointed Bros. Alfred Ray, Committee to take evidence. Jonas Ryan, Hiram West, Andy Hodges, Smith S.

¹ This is done by order on the Treasurer, signed by the Master and attested or "countersigned" by the Secretary, who should keep a "stub" duplicate of it. It is made payable to the order of the rejected, stating what it is for. His indorsement is receipt for the money. The Treasurer alone has the funds of the lode.—Reg. 914. The Master draws all orders upon the Treasurer, but not without the consent of the lodge.—Morris' Dict. F. M., 512.

2 If the by-laws require a two-thirds majority, the records must show the lawful majority determined the question. In the absence of such a law a majority governs, and to say the motion was adopted is sufficient.

3 It would not be proper [to spread the charges upon the records] any more than it would be to copy the summons and the evidence into the minutes. The charges, etc., stand as a statement of a cause of action... which is filed in the case.—Ill. Gr. C..., 1879. This may be the correct view, but the custom has been different: the full text must appear in the committee's record in any event. It is the safest course to enter them upon the lodge records also, and such is the usage of this jurisdiction. The records ought to be complete and full.

Smith and Thomas T. Thomas as a committee to take evidence for as well as against the accused, stating that (Bro. Thomas he would act with the committee and preside at its Bro. Holt put in meetings.

his place-see

Bro. South, the Junior Warden, moved that the Secretary be directed to furnish a copy of the charges and Accused serv'd. specifications to the accused, and a notice1 of the time and place, when given him by the chairman of the committee, for taking the evidence; also, that the Secretary issue summons for the Fellows and Master Masons, and Witnesses sumwritten requests for the Entered Apprentices and profanes who are witnesses, to attend at the time and place fixed for the first meeting of the committee, and to promptly give the papers to the Tyler to be served. The motion prevailed.

The Junior Warden stated that he had just been in- Change in the formed that Bro. Thomas T. Thomas, named on the committee to take evidence in the matter of charges against Bro. James, had expressed an opinion concerning the case in such manner as to render it prudent, at least, for some brother to be substituted for him on the committee. It was then stated what Bro. Thomas T. T. Thomas had said, and the Master excused him from serving on the committee, and put Bro. Alexander Holt in his A. Holt applace.

The Secretary reported that the following named Delinquents remembers were in arrears for dues, and that he had delivered to each a statement of said indebtedness, to-wit: Bro. L. L. Lawson, dues to January 1st, amount, \$8 oo

Jackson Symms, " 6 50

Barry Carman, 9 00

All of whom had been regularly notified by him in person and by written statement.

Whereupon Bro. Wingate moved that the brethren named be cited to appear at the next stated meeting of the next stated Truth Lodge to show cause, if any they have, why meeting. they should not be suspended for non-payment; which motion prevailed.

¹ Equivalent to summons.-Code, Par. 169.

	The following amounts collected since last meeting,
Receipts.	together with the receipt of the Treasurer,1 were then
	read, viz:

² Dec.	29,	1893,	Albert Smith, dues	\$ 3	00
"	30,	1893,	James Shockency, dues	3	00
Jan.	6,	1894,	John Bright, dues	6	00
46	8,	1894,	Thos. S. Y. Sinton, with petition,	10	00
"	8,	1894,	A. B. Cee, F. C. degree	5	00
				\$27	

Treasurer's re- \$27.00. 2Received -, 1894, of James Scribe, Secretary of Truth Lodge No. 1, twenty-seven dollars, lodge funds. SAMUEL TRUSTY, Treasurer.

The lodge was then closed in form at 9:45 o'clock Lodge closed. P. M. SOLOMON BRIGHT, Master.

JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.

416th meeting.

CALLED MEETING.

Truth Lodge No. 1 met at Washington Hall, in So-Jan. 15, 1894. briety, Blank county, Kentucky, on Thursday, January 18, 1894.

Present.

PRESENT:

Bro. HIRAM WEST, Senior Warden, as Master.

- ANDY HODGES, as Senior Warden.
- St. John South, Junior Warden.
- " JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.
- SAMUEL TRUSTY, Treasurer.
- ROB. MILLER, Senior Deacon.
- WM. DAY, Junior Deacon.
- THOMAS WATCHFUL, Tyler.

For members and visitors, see register of this date.4

¹ It is the duty of the Treasurer to be present and receive the money from the Secretary. The Master's duty is to see that this is done (Reg. 929, '30), and before he closes the lodge he should ask, "Brother Secretary, have you paid to the Treasurer all the money collected?"

2 If a regular cash-book is kept the entry of receipts here may be omitted, and receipts taken in cash-book or a receipt-book—not on slips of paper. See

form of Cash-book, etc., note 5, page 272, '3.

3 The minutes of previous meetings are not read (except for information) at

a called meeting, and except as in note next page.

4 Insert the names, if there is no register, in lieu of this. See note, p. 275.

A lodge of Entered Apprentices was opened with E.A. Lodge. the usual ceremonies at 7:30 o'clock P. M.1

The Master stated that the lodge had been convened Object of call. for the purpose of initiating3 Mr. Harry Goodnight, who was elected at the stated meeting in December; whereupon,

Mr. Harry Goodnight was regularly initiated as an Harry Goodnight initiated. Entered Apprentice.

The following amounts collected since the last meet- Receipts. ing, and the receipt of the Treasurer, were then read:

Jan.	13.	Robert Miller, dues	\$ 4	50
"	15.	Henry Parley, dues	5	00
"	15.	Silas Sinbad, dues	3	00
"	15.	Harry Goodnight, degrees	10	00
			\$22	50

*Received, January 18, 1894, of Jas. Scribe, Treasurer's re-Secretary of Truth Lodge No. 1, twenty-two dollars and fifty cents, for account of lodge funds.

SAMUEL TRUSTY, Treasurer.

The lodge was then closed with the usual ceremo- Lodge closed. nies.5

HIRAM WEST, S. W. Acting Master. JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.

STATED MEETING.

417th meeting.

Truth Lodge No. 1 met at Washington Hall, in So- Feb. 5, 1894. briety, Blank county, Kentucky, Thursday, February 8, 1894, A. L. 5894.

² As no business except that for which the lodge was "called" can be lawfully done, the object of the call should be stated; it will thus appear on the record that the business transacted was done in conformity with Masonic law.

3 Or initiating, passing or raising "such candidates as might be in waiting." 1 See note 1, p. 276.

⁴ See note 2, p. 280.
5 If the Secretary is ready the minutes of the same meeting may be read and approved before the lodge is closed. But the minutes of a stated meeting can not be read and approved at a called meeting; nor can the minutes of a called meeting be approved at a subsequent called meeting; nor can minutes be approved until fully recorded in the book kept for that purpose.

Present.

PRESENT:

W. Solomon Bright, Master.

Bro. HIRAM WEST, Senior Warden.

- St. John South, Junior Warden.
- 46 JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.
- " SAMUEL TRUSTY, Treasurer.
- " ROB. MILLER, Senior Deacon.
- HENRY RIVERS, as Junior Deacon.
- THOMAS WATCHFUL, Tyler.

For members and visitors see register of this date.1

M. M. lodge opened.

A lodge of Master Masons was opened in form at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Minutes approved.

The minutes of the stated meeting of January 8th, and called meeting of January 15th, were read, corrected and approved.2

The committees on the petitions of Bro. LaRue St. Com'te on pet'n

LaRue St. James, Past Master, for membership, and Mr. Thos. S. James and y. Y. Sinton for initiation, made reports, and the ballot Thos. S. Sinton elected. being spread in each case separately, they were severally declared elected.

Withdrawal of black ballot.

Bro. J. A. Ingram stated that he had cast the black ball at the last stated meeting by which the petition of John Jones John Jones was rejected. On investigation he was satisfied as to the fitness of the candidate, and withdrew the negative ballot.4 The ballot was again spread, and Mr. John Jones was declared elected.

F. Landlord's bil: (\$50) paid.

The Finance Committee reported the bill of F. Landlord, \$50, for repairs, correct; whereupon,

Bro. Smith moved that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the amount. Carried.

The Special Committee, appointed to invest the sur-

¹ Note 2, p. 275.
2 If the officer who presided, being the Master or a Warden of the lodge, is present when the minutes are "approved," he should sign—otherwise the Master or presiding Warden signs. The minutes can be corrected to conform to the facts before being approved; but when they are approved—that is, read and pronounced a correct record of the proceedings—they can not be changed, even though it may afterwards be discovered that an error was made. The even though it may afterwards be discovered that an error was made. The error may be corrected by appropriate action when taken notice of by the lodge, and referred to in the margin opposite the place in the minutes where it occurred. It [a lodge] has no power to obliterate its records or to strike out or add to, so as to make them represent anything but what was actually done.—
Connor's Tennessee Digest.

³ Usages of M. require separate and distinct ballots.—Mass. Digest, p. 11. 4 Const., Art. ix, Sec. 4.

plus funds of the lodge, reported having purchased Report of com-\$2,500 United States four per cent. bonds at par, and funds. filed the receipt of the Treasurer for the same with the Secretary. On motion of Bro. South, the action of the committee was approved.

Bro. L. L. Landrum appeared in obedience to sum- Answer to summons and paid his dues.

Bro. Jackson Symms also appeared and stated that Bro. Jackson Symms' dues he had been burned out of house and home, and was remitted. in such financial embarrassment as to render it impossible to pay his dues, and that for the cause stated he had suffered them to accumulate. On motion, seconded by a number of brethren, his dues were remitted to December 27, 1894.

Bro. Barry Carman failing to answer the citation, Barry Carman: the Master appointed Bro. Thos. Lawless to defend T. Lawless to defend him. him, and the lodge proceeded to try Bro. Carman for non-payment of dues.1

It appeared from the evidence of the Tyler and Sec- summoned. retary that summons had been served on Bro. Carman to answer at this meeting, and that he was indebted to the lodge in the sum of \$9.00. The ballot was spread Suspended n. and Bro. Barry Carman was duly suspended for non-p.d. payment of ducs by a vote of 32 for and 1 against it.

The lodge then ordered that a summons be issued for Barry Carman Bro. Barry Carman to appear at the next stated meet-contumacy. ing and show cause why charges should not be preferred against him for contumacy, in not obeying a lawful summons.

The committee appointed to take evidence in the Trial of Jas. J. matter of charges, etc., against Bro. James J. James, Jones. submitted their report in the shape of the full record of their proceedings.

The members of the lodge having been duly notified to attend this meeting for the trial of Bro. James, the

I See form of proceeding in trial for non-payment, page 243.

I This is given as a sample for the records, but it would be much better, as soon as the Tyler makes his statement, to move that the brother be summoned to appear at the next stated meeting to show cause, if any he has or can, why he should not be tried for disobeying a lawful summons. It may be possible that he was sick or unavoidably kept away; and such a step will show the importance of obeying a summons, and at the same time give ample opportunity for him to purge himself of contumacy.

Ballot.

report of the committee was read by the Secretary. The final defense was read by Bro. L. Broyle, counsel for Bro. James, and the Junior Warden read his argument. Bro. James retired, and after deliberating upon evidence, etc., the charges and specifications were read, the ballot was taken upon each separately, and the lodge found the accused, Bro. James J. James, as follows:

Findings.

'Of the first Specification of Charge I, "Guilty."

Of the second Specification of Charge I, "Guilty."

Of the first Charge, "Guilty."

Of the first Specification of Charge II, "Guilty,"

except the words 'and thief.'"

Of the second Charge, "Not Guilty,

But guilty of unmasonic conduct."

Of the Specification of Charge III "Guilty." Of the third Charge, "Guilty." Of the Specification of Charge IV, "Guilty." Of the fourth Charge, "Guilty." Of the first Specification of Charge V, "Guilty." Of the second Specification of Charge V, "Not Guilty." Of the fifth Charge, "Guilty." Of the Specification of Charge VI, "Guilty." Of the sixth Charge, "Guilty."

Sentence.

And the lodge, by ballot, sentenced the accused, Bro. James J. James, to stand expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry from this date.

Bro. L. Broyle then gave notice, in writing, that, in Notice of apbehalf of the convicted and condemned brother, he appealed from the action of the lodge to the Grand Lodge, on the ground that Mr. H. J. Nimrod and Bro. Oliver Twist, important witnesses for the defense, were not in the State, and the committee refused to adjourn for three weeks in order that their attendance could be secured.

By unanimous consent Bro. Broyle withdrew his no-Appeal with- tice of appeal, and stated that at the next meeting of

If the by-laws require a two-thirds majority to settle any question, the records must show whether or not the requisite majority voted for the proposition.

the lodge he would present a formal petition for a new New trial. trial before this lodge.

The Master stated he had found the family of our Condition of Laf. Faithful's deceased brother, LaFayette Faithful, in destitute cir-family. cumstances, and had sent them a load of coal costing \$3, and groceries amounting to \$10.

Bro. Rivers moved that an order be drawn for twenty-five dollars, to pay the amounts so appropriately expended by the Master, and to procure any clothing or
other things necessary for the comfort of Bro. Faithful's family. Carried unanimously.

The lodge was then closed in form.

SOLOMON BRIGHT, Master.

JAMES SCRIBE, Secretary.

THE ANCIENT CHARGES.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

Lodge records in possession of the Craft undoubtedly contain the customs and laws of the Fraternity In 1722 "The Charges of a Freemason, extracted 1 from the ancient records of lodges beyond the sea 2 and those in England, Scotland and Ireland," were sifted from the errors, and codified to embrace the old principles and usages of Masonry.

These became known as Ancient Charges and were approved by the Grand Lodge of England. . They were printed with the "General Regulations" * prefaced by a history 5 of the Fraternity and styled "The Constitution of the Freemasons," etc.

The approval of the Grand Lodge, embracing reasons for these revisions, asserted that:

"... By the confusion occasioned in the Saxon, Danish and Norman Wars, the records of Masonry have been much vitiated . . .," making two revisions necessary to correct their constitution, charges and regulations: First-In the reign of King Athelstan. Second-In the reign of Edward IV.

Moreover the Constitution "had been much interpolated, mangled and miserably corrupted."8

By order of the Duke of Montague, Grand Master, James Anderson, A. M., made a compilation which was examined and corrected by J. T. Desagulier, LL. D., F. R. S., Deputy Grand Master, and other brethren,9 and was approved by the Grand Lodge as "the only constitutions of Free and Accepted Masons." 10

5 Which is not as accurate, perhaps, as one could desire.
6 This Saxon monarch commenced to reign A. D. 925; died 941. He caused the Bible to be translated into the Saxon tongue, presented a copy to every church in the kingdom, and gave encouragement to commerce.

or During this Edward's reign (commenced A. D. 1461, died 1483) the first printing press was set up in England by Wm. Caxton (1471), and polite literature was encouraged.

8 As in our day. A single example will illustrate this proneness to "mangle" laws, etc. The Landmarks, held to be immutable and sacred, were deliberately changed (as admitted to this writer in 1866) to read: "No person shall be made a Mason except he be a free-born white man..." (McCorkle's Jurisprudence, page 7). Thus, by interpolating a word, all but the Caucassian race are cut off, which is wholly unwarranted in fact and destroys the universities of Mason race.

the Caucassian race are cut off, which is wholly unwarranted in fact and destroys the universality of Masonry.

9 The approbation of the "Grand Master... Deputy Grand Master, the Grand Wardens, the Masters and Wardens of particular lodges" whose signatures were affixed to these constitutions, "with the consent of the brethren and fellows," is very significant, in view of the "prerogatives claimed for a Grand Master, or Master of a lodge in later days.

10 A paragraph from an old record (old Con. in 1722) is copied in Anderson's Constitutions; from which it is made manifest that Freemasonry was at that day esteemed "the most ancient order on earth." These words are interesting, not only as tending to establish the great antiquity of Masonry, but in showing that ours was then styled an "order" as well as a "fraternity," notwithstanding the modern fashion to deny the former and hold to the latter. [A manuscript of the "Gothic Constitutions," still preserved, was believed to have been written prior to 1300.] written prior to 1390.]

¹ By James Anderson, A. M., who says the Ancient Constitutions and Charges were framed about the year 926, from MSS. in Greek, Latin, French, etc.—Star in the East, 22.

2 On the continent (not America.)

3 Printed by Wm. Hunter, for John Senex, at the Globe, and John Hooke, at the Flower-de-luce, over against St. Dunstan's Church, in Fleet Street, London, 1723.

4 First: Compiled by George Payne (1720), Grand Master, and approved by the Grand Lodge of England (1721). Second: Revised by Dr. Anderson and "compared with, and reduced them to the ancient records and immemoral usage of the Fraternity."

These old documents, written as they were revised one hundred and seventy years ago, and especially the Ancient Charges, are most greatly esteemed as being entitled to the highest credit, but of course can not set aside our written laws, though they will govern as precedents and good usage in the absence of such laws. These Ancient Charges are sometimes held as veritable landmarks, not without some reason, for they were substantially the laws of the Craft in different countries, and are, in many particulars, indentical with old MSS., which are preserved until now.

For these reasons the Ancient Charges are here copied by order of the Grand Lodge, and are furnished with an index for ready reference.

ANCIENT CHARGES, AS PUBLISHED IN 1723.

THE HEADING.

The Charges of a Free-Mason Extracted from the Ancient Records of Lodges beyond the Sea, and of those in England, Scotland and Ireland, for the use of Lodges in London. To be read at the making of New Brethren or when the Master shall order it:

[Here follows the General Heads, which are omitted, inasmuch as they appear over each subject. The capitals, etc., used are from the original.]

I. CONCERNING GOD AND RELIGION.

A Mason is oblig'd, by his Tenure, to obey the moral Law; and if he rightly understands the Art, he will never be a stupid Atheist, nor an irreligious Libertine.\(^1\) But though in ancient Times Masons were charg'd in every Country to be of the Religion of that Country or Nation, whatever it was, yet 'tis now thought more expedient only to oblige them to that Religion in which all men agree, leaving their particular Opinions to themselves; that is, to be GOOD MEN AND TRUE, or Men of Honour and Honesty, by whatever Denominations or Persuasions they may be distinguish'd; whereby Masonry becomes the CENTER OF UNION, and the Means of conciliating true Friendship among Persons that must have remain'd at a perpetual Distance.

II. OF THE CIVIL MAGISTRATE SUPREME AND SUBORDINATE,

A MASON is a peaceable Subject to the Civil Powers, wherever he resides or works, and is never to be concern'd in Plots and Conspiracies against the Peace and Welfare of the Nation, nor to behave himself undutifully to inferior Magistrates; for as Masonry hath been always injured by War, Bloodshed and Confusion, so ancient Kings and Princes have been much dispos'd to encourage the Craftsmen, because of their Peaceableness and LOYALTY, whereby they practically answer'd the Cavils of their adversaries, and promoted the Honour of the Fraternity, who ever flourish'd in

¹ That is, a freethinker, a skeptic. In the latter part of the 15th and early part of the 16th century one who rejected all the customs and decencies of life, and advocated a community of goods and of women.

Times of Peace. So that if a Brother should be a Rebel against the State, he is not to be countenanc'd in his Rebellion, however he may be pitied as an unhappy man; and, if convicted of no other Crime, though the loyal Brotherhood must and ought to disown his Rebellion, and give no Umbrage or Ground of political Jealousy to the Government for the time being; they can not expel him from the Lodge, and his Relation to it remains indefeasible.

III. OF LODGES.

A Lodge is a place were Masons assemble and work: Hence that Assembly, or duly organiz'd Society of Masons, is call'd a Lodge, and every Brother ought to belong to one, and to be subject to its By-Laws and the General Regulations. It is either particular or general, and will be best understood by attending it, and by the Regulations of the General or Grand Lodge hereunto annex'd. In ancient Times, no Master or Fellow could be absent from it, especially when warn'd to appear at it, without incurring a severe Censure; until it appear'd to the Master and Wardens that pure Necessity hinder'd him.

The Persons admitted Members of a Lodge must be good and true Men, free-born, and of mature and discreet Age, no Bondmen, no Women, no immoral or scandalous Men, but of good Report.

IV. OF MASTERS, WARDENS, FELLOWS, AND APPRENTICES.

All Preferment among Masons is grounded upon real Worth and personal Merit only; that so the Lords1 may be well served, the Brethren not put to Shame, nor the ROYAL CRAFT despis'd: Therefore no MAS-TER OF WARDEN is chosen by Seniority, but for his Merit. It is impossible to describe these things in writing, and every Brother must attend in his place, and learn them in a way peculiar to THIS FRATERNITY: Only CANDIDATES may know, that no MASTER should take an APPRENTICE, unless he has sufficient Imployment for him, and unless he be a perfect Youth, having no Maim or Defect in his Body, that may render him uncapable of learning the ART of serving his MASTER's Lord, 1 and of being made a Brother, and then a Fellow-Craft in due time, even after he has served such a Term of Years as the Custom of the Country directs; and that he should be descended of honest Parents; that so, when otherwise qualify'd, he may arrive to the Honour of being the WARDEN, and then the MASTER of the LODGE, the GRAND WARDEN, and at length the GRAND MASTER of all the Lodges, according to his Merit.

No Brother can be a WARDEN until he has pass'd the part of a Fellow-Craft; nor a Master until he has acted as a Warden, nor Grand Warden until he has been Master of a Lodge, nor Grand Master unless he has been a Fellow-Craft before his Election, who is also to be nobly born, or a Gentleman of the best Fashion, or some eminent Scholar, or some curious Architect, or other Artist, descended of honest Parents, and who is of singular great Merit in the Opinion of the Lodges. And for the better, and easier, and more honourable Discharge of his

¹ That is, employer.

Office, the Grand Master has a Power to chuse his own Deputy Grand Master, who must be then, or must have been formerly, the Master of a particular Lodge, and has the privilege of acting whatever the Grand Master, his Principal, should act, unless the said Principal be present, or interpose his Authority by a Letter.

These Rulers and Governors, SUPREME and SUBORDINATE, of the ancient Lodge, are to be obey'd in their respective Stations by all the Brethren, according to the OLD CHARGES and REGULATIONS, with all Humility, Reverence, Love and Alacrity.

V. OF THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CRAFT IN WORKING,

All Masons shall work honestly on working Days, that they may live creditably on HOLY DAYS; and the time appointed by the Law of the Land, or confirm'd by Custom, shall be observ'd.

The most expert of the Fellow-Craftsmen shall be chosen or appointed the Master, or Overseer of the Lord's Work; who is to be called Master by those that work under him. The Craftsmen are to avoid all ill Language, and to call each other by no disobliging Name, but Brother or Fellow; and to behave themselves courteously within and without the Lodge.

The MASTER, knowing himself to be able of Cunning, shall undertake the LORD's Work as reasonably as possible, and truly dispense his Goods as if they were his own; nor to give more Wages to any Brother or APPRENTICE than he really may deserve.

Both the *Master* and the Masons receiving their Wages justly, shall be faithful to the Lord, and honestly finish their work, whether Task or Journey; nor put the Work to Task that hath been accustom'd to Journey.

None shall discover Envy at the Prosperity of a Brother, nor supplant him, or put him out of his Work, if he be capable to finish the same; for no Man can finish another's Work so much to the Lord's Profit, unless he be thoroughly acquainted with the Designs and Draughts of him that began it.

When a Fellow-Craftsman is chosen Warden of the Work under the Master, he shall be true both to Master and Fellows, shall carefully oversee the Work in the Master's absence to the Lord's Profit; and his Brethren shall obey him.

All Masons employ'd, shall meekly receive their Wages without Murmuring or Mutiny, and not desert the Master till the Work is finish'd.

A younger Brother shall be instructed in working, to prevent spoiling the Materials for want of Judgment, and for encreasing and continuing BROTHERLY LOVE.

All the Tools used in working shall be approved by the Grand Lodge. No LABOURER shall be employ'd in the proper Work of MASONRY; nor shall *Free Masons* work with those that are NOT FREE, without an urgent Necessity; nor shall they teach LABOURERS and UNACCEPTED Masons, as they should teach a BROTHER or FELLOW.

VI. OF BEHAVIOUR, VIZ.

1. In the Lodge While Constituted.

You are not to hold private Committees, or separate Conversation, without Leave from the Master, nor to talk of any thing impertinent or unseemly, nor interrupt the Master or Wardens, or any Brother speaking to the Master: Nor behave yourself ludicrously or jestingly while the Lodge is engaged in what is serious and solemn; nor use any unbecoming Language upon any Pretence whatsoever; but to pay due Reverence to your Master, Wardens, and Fellows, and put them to worship.

If any Complaint be brought, the Brother found guilty shall stand to the Award and Determination of the Lodge, who are the proper and competent Judges of all such controversies (unless you carry it by Appeal to the Grand Lodge), and to whom they ought to be referr'd, unless a Lord's Work be hinder'd the mean while, in which Case a particular Reference may be made; but you must never go to Law about what concerneth Masonry, without an absolute Necessity apparent to the Lodge.

2. Behaviour after the Lodge is over and the Brethren not gone.

You may enjoy yourselves with innocent Mirth, treating one another according to Ability, but avoiding all Excess, or forcing any Brother to eat or drink beyond his inclination, or hindering him from going when his Occasions call him, or doing or saying any thing offensive, or that may forbid an EASY and FREE Conversation; for that would blast our Harmony, and defeat our laudable purposes. Therefore no private Piques or Quarrels must be brought within the Door of the Lodge, far less any Quarrels about Religion, or Nations, or State Policy, we being only, as Masons, of the Catholick Religion above-mention'd; we are also of all Nations, Tongues, Kindreds, and Languages, and are resolv'd against all Politicks, as what never yet conduc'd to the Welfare of the Lodge, nor ever will. This Charge has been always strictly enjoin'd and observ'd; but especially ever since the Reformation in Britain, or the Dissent and Secession of these Nations from the Communion of Rome.

3. Behaviour when Brethren meet without Strangers, but not in a Lodge form'd.

You are to salute one another in a courteous manner, as you will be instructed, calling each other Brother, freely giving mutual Instruction as shall be thought expedient, without being overseen or overheard, and without encroaching upon each other, or derogating from that Respect which is due to any Brother, were he not a Mason: For though all Masons are as Brethren upon the same Level, yet Masonry takes no Honour from a Man that he had before; nay rather it adds to his Honour, especially if he has deserv'd well of the Brotherhood, who must give Honour to whom it is due, and avoid ILL Manners.

4. Behaviour in Presence of Strangers not Masons.

You shall be cautious in your Words and Carriage, that the most penetrating Stranger shall not be able to discover or find out what is not proper to be intimated; and sometimes you shall divert a discourse, and manage it prudently for the Honour of the WORSHIPFUL FRATERNITY.

5. Behaviour at Home, and in your Neighbourhood.

You are to act as becomes a moral and wise Man; particularly, not to let your Family, Friends and Neighbours know the Concerns of the Lodge, &c., but wisely to consult your own Honour, and that of the ANCIENT BROTHERHOOD, for Reasons not to be mention'd here. You must also consult your Health, by not continuing together too late, or too long from home, after Lodge Hours are past; and by avoiding of Gluttony or Drunkenness, that your Families be not neglected or injured, nor you disabled from working.

6. Behaviour towards a strange Brother.

You are cautiously to examine him, in such a Method as Prudence shall direct you, that you may not be impos'd upon by an ignorant false PRETENDER, whom you are to reject with Contempt and Derision, and beware of giving him any Hints of Knowledge.

But if you discover him to be a true and genuine BROTHER, you are to respect him accordingly; and if he is in want, you must relieve him if you can, or else direct him how he may be reliev'd: You must employ him some Days, or else recommend him to be employ'd. But you are not charged to do beyond your Ability, only to prefer a poor BROTHER, that is a GOOD MAN and TRUE, before any other poor People in the same Circumstances.

FINALLY, All these CHARGES you are to observe, and also those that shall be communicated to you in ANOTHER WAY; cultivating BROTHERLY-LOVE, the Foundation and Cape-stone, the CEMENT and GLORY of this ancient Fraternity, avoiding all Wrangling and Quarrelling, all Slander and Backbiting, not permitting others to slander any honest Brother, but defending his Character, and doing him all good Offices, as far as is consistent with your HONOUR and SAFETY, and no farther. And if any of them do you Injury, you must apply to your own or his Lodge; and from thence you may appeal to the GRAND LODGE at the QUARTERLY COMMU-NICATION, and from thence to the ANNUAL GRAND LODGE, as has been the ancient laudable Conduct of our Fore-fathers in every Nation; never taking a LEGAL Course but when the case cannot be otherwise decided, and patiently listening to the honest and friendly Advice of MASTER and FEL-Lows, when they would prevent your going to Law with STRANGERS, or would excite you to put a speedy period to all LAW-SUITS, that so you may mind the Affair of Masonry with the more Alacrity and Success; but with respect to Brothers or Fellows at Law, the Master and Brethren should kindly offer their Mediation, which ought to be thankfully submitted to by the contending Brethren; and if that Submission is impracticable, they must however carry on their Process or Law-Suit, without Wrath and Rancor (not in the common way) saying or doing nothing which may hinder Brotherly Love, and good Offices to be renew'd and continu'd; that all may see the Benign Influence of Masonry, as all true Masons have done from the Beginning of the World, and will do to the End of Time.

AMEN SO MOTE IT BE.

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SOME OF THE

ANCIENT LANDMARKS.

A "Landmark" that can not be established by the writings of the fathers, or other recognized authorities, to have been the rule or belief among Freemasons in 1723 and before, or that is not now generally accepted as such, can hardly be held as Landmark. Those which can be so proven, and which are so held, may doubtless be accepted as Landmarks.

To those who have "an opinion as is an opinion," or one who is "wiser in his own conceit than seven men who can render a reason,"2 these proofs will be useless. There is danger in accepting local usage and traditions as absolutely correct, in preference to constitutions and records that are much older, and which were probably the general laws universally acknowledged in the years of long ago, though they may not conform to our ideas or prejudices. "Why do ye also transgress the commandments of God by your traditions?"3 Masonry and Freemasonry are used interchangeably.

Remove not the ancient landmarks which thy fathers have set .- Prov. xxii, 28.

WHAT THE ANCIENT LANDMARKS ARE. 4

1. The Ancient landmarks of Freemasonry are the immemorial usages and fundamental6 principles of the Craft, and are unchangeable.7

THE PROOFS.—They indicate leading principles from which there can be no deviation-McKenzie's Cyclo. 438. Leading and essential character-

1 Captain Cuttle, in Dombey and Son. 2 Prov. xxvi, 3. 3 Matt. xv, 3. 4 Anderson's Ancient Charges justly occupy a prominent place in the estimation of the Craft, and are, by many, esteemed as landmarks.—See Pro. Gr. L. Mo., May, 1850. 5. This may be approved as a definition and questioned as a landmark. I submit that if landmarks have always been held a position to the content of the content o landmarks have always been held as ancient usage, etc., and unchangeable, that fact in itself

landmarks have always been held as ancient usage, etc., and unchangeable, that fact in itself must be a landmark.

6 Fundamental is a leading or primary principle, rule or law which serves as the groundwork of a system. Ground-work forms the foundation or support... the essential part. Principle is a source of origin, a law or doctrine from which others are derived; a settled rule—Webster. So the fundamental principles of Masonry are leading primary rules which are the foundation, support and essential parts or settled rules in the source and origin of the Craft from which all others are derived; and which were planted or set up as it were, at a time so remote that "the memory of man runneth not to the contrary."

7 Landmarks are stones or other objects to mark the boundary of land. Masonry is not land so to be marked, but is a system of morals taught by symbols and built upon the groundwork of fundamental principles, which mark its boundary and limit its teachings. Those were laid, or established, by the fathers, and became "landmarks" by general usage or acceptance, as the foundation upon which we have builded. If, therefore, the foundation be removed the superstructure must fall, hence the "Landmarks" must be unchangeable.

^{*}I first prepared some of these landmarks editorially for the Masonic Home Journal (1889), afterwards hurriedly added to them for the consideration of the Masonic Congress (1893.) Having revised and rearranged them, adding more "proofs," they are published in this book under resolution of Grand Lodge, which directed that the "Landmarks" should constitute a part of its contents.

istics....generally received....the very essence and conditions of Freemasonry-Kenning's Cyclo. 405. Existed from a time when the memory of man runneth not to the contrary...unchangeable...the universal laws... of Masonry...to alter...a most heinous offense-Mackey's Cyclo. 440. Ascertained on the authority of ancient documents-Oliver. Ceremonies, rules and laws....deemed absolutely necessary to....mark out this distinctive order....in all time to preserve—Mitchell's Com. Laws of M., 56. Immemorial and universal....rules and principles enunciated in these documents [Ancient Charges, etc].-Rob Morris' Dict. F. M., 274-'5. Principles of action which have existed from time immemorial....identified with the form and essence of the Society—Simon's Principles, 12. Ancient principles and practices which mark out and distinguish Freemasons—Lockwood's Law, 14. Compare "Landmarks" of Mackey 25; Simons 15; Morris 1; Lockwood 18, 19. You promise to hold in veneration the original rules....discountenance impostors and all dissenters from the ancient landmarks and Constitutions of Masonry.-Instal. of Master (very old). You admit that it is not in the power of any man or body of men to make innovations....Instal. chg. (very old)....as all Masters have done in all ages before you—Ibid. Gave them charges....the same to be kept ever afterwards—Landsdown M. S., 1560. [Masons who composed Gr. L. York, A. D. 930] brought "records," some in Greek, some in Latin, some in French and other languages. From them that assembly did frame the Constitution and charges a law to preserve and observe the same in all time coming....and from that day until this time (1441-1483).... Masons have kept in that form-Ashmole's M. S.,-Harris' Antiq. ii (1798); Andersons' Const. (1721), 33.

That we mowe keepe these artyculus here, And these poynts wel al y-fere As dede these holy martyres.—Ars Qua. Coron.

All these good ordinances....of the Craft....made by their predecessors of "gude memorie" to be observed and kept-M. S. 1598, 2 Gould 6. At divers assemblies certain changes have been made and ordained by the best advice of Masters and Fellows as the exegencies of the Craft made neccessarie—Record (1441-1483)—Harris' Const, 1798, 11. Provided always that the old landmarks be carefully preserved—Reg. (1721) xxxix. A law or custom that has existed from time immemorial...it is said that the landmarks are the *unwritten* law of Masonry, but this is not correct, for land-marks are found in the Ancient Charges. Indeed, the only evidence that some customs are landmarks, is the fact that they are....in the earliest publications in relations to Freemasonry. The landmarks can not be repealed or changed—Drummond's Text Book, 176.

The ancient landmarks are those fundamental principles which characterize Masonry, as defined in the Charges of a Freemason, and without which the institution can not be identified.-M.: Congress, 1893. The crowning landmark of all is....can never be changed -Mackey's Cyclo. 443.

FREEMASONRY-OPERATIVE AND SPECULATIVE.

2. Freemasonry (existing "from a time when the memory of man runneth not to the contrary"), was, anciently, operative and speculative; it is now speculative, embracing a system of ethics

I I have not been able to find any account of Masonry that did not include more than a mere trade or "Operative Masonry," i. e., in part a system of ethics. If Masonry has existed as stated (see proofs), the fact is a foundation upon which we build, hence "landmark."

2 Speculative—is ideal, theoretical. By Speculative Masonry we make ideal or theoretical application of implements, rules and materials as symbols to teach moral truths.

3 Ethics—The science of human duty; the body of rules of duty drawn from this science; rules of practice in respect to a single class of human actions; or "the science of the good." Such is Masonry.

-moral,1 religious2 and philosophical3-and relates to the social, ethical and intellectual progress of man.

Proofs.—See "Landmarks" of Mackey, 24; Rob Morris, 2.

There is probability that it had a speculative side in 1400 or earlier-I

Ars. Qua. Coronat., 71. See Regius MS. (1390), in its general drift.

As early as 715 B. C., Colleges of Builders were designated as Fraternities, and were religious societies, and had a judiciary of their own. After the day's labors they convened in their own lodges, initiated new members, were divided into three classes-apprentices, companions or fellowworkmen and Masters-engaged by oath to afford each other succor and assistance. Their lodge labors were always preceded by religious ceremonies. Organization "based upon that of Dyonisian priests and architects."

-Rebold-Brennan Hist. Fm., 34, 5. (See notes under 3, 6.)
... The right of making laws for their own government ... independent of all other legal tribunals—to which may be attributed the title Freemason, which since that time has distinguished the members ...-Rebold-

Brennan Hist. Fm., 41.

After...the good rule of Masonry was destroyed until the tyme of

Knigte Athelston . . . - MS., 1583.

So imperceptibly has the purely operative character merged into ... a purely speculative one that the date . . . can not be decided upon.-Lyon, 2 Gould, 12. Purely operative from 1396 to the 17th century ... speculative Masonry was in the ascendancy in 1670.—2 Gould, 50, 283. We work in speculative Masonry, but our ancient brethren wrought in both operative and speculative.—2 Deg. Lecture.

3. Freemasonry embraces the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason, which are conferred in regular lodges whose rites and ceremonies are private.

Proofs.—See Mackey's Cyclo., 730; Royal M. Cyclo., 686; Kenning's Cyclo., 602; 2 Gould, 13, 50. See "Landmarks" of Mackey, 2; Simons, 5; Rob Morris, 5, 11.

The 3 deg. is referred to in minutes of Mother Kilwinning in 1736 and in those of Canongate Kilwinning from Leith (now St. David's Edinburgh), on 2d March, 1738.—Hist. L. Can. Kil. MacKenzie, 29.

The earliest record of three degrees having been worked in the lodge of Edinburgh, Mary's Chapel, appears November 1st, 1738. These degrees, whenever or by whomsoever invented, crude or in perfection, are fixed as grades of symbolic Masonry the world over and are perhaps accorded as grades of symbolic Masonry the world over and are perhaps accorded. fixed as grades of symbolic Masonry the world over, and are perhaps accepted without question. In the 39 Regulations (1720) the "youngest apprentice" was among the law-makers. The F. C. is recognized in Old Charges (1722). Dermott explains that they were called Fellow Crafts because Master Masons were not so called until they had passed the chair. In 1738, or before, Anderson recognizes the degrees of Entered Apprentice, Fellow Craft and Master Mason. Masters appear to have been obligated as early as 1490 and 1598, and Master Masons vowed on receiving the Master's word in 1670. See Par. 3 and 4 under 7, and 9th Par. under 16.

¹ Conformed to rules of right, or to the divine law respecting social duties; virtuous; just. -Webster.

² Religion, in a Masonic sense, is "the recognition of God as an object of worship, love and obedience."—Webster. Let us with caution indulge the supposition that morality can be maintained without religion.—Washington.

3 Philosophical—Characterizing a philosopher; rational; wise; temperate. Masonry is all this. 4 Meaning Ancient Craft or Symbolic Masonry.

Fellow Crafts are referred to in 1490 and 1695. See 7th Par under 13; 9th under 16; 9th and 10th Par. proofs under 46; 3d Par. under 2, 35.

There is the Degree of enter'd Prentice, Master of his Trade or Fellow

Craft, and Master or Master of the Company.—M.: Dissected, 1738.
... Freemasons always had theirs [secrets], which they never divulged in manuscript and therefore can not be ... in print.—Anderson's Introd. Const., 1738.

In the beginning the initiations ... confined to two degrees (see notes

under 2).-Rebold-Brennan Hist. Fm., 35.

The division of symbolic Masonry into three degrees is a landmark that has been better preserved than almost any other.—Mack. Cyclo., 440.

As you will answer before God ... yw keep secret and not revaile.--

Harleian M. S, 1600.

Masonic tradition informs us that Masonry took its rise during the building of Solomon's Temple, where, we are informed, there were thousands of Apprentices (or bearers of burdens), Fellow Craftmen, and Masters or overseers of the work, besides three Grand Masters (or as some

claim, two Gr. M.'s and one Deputy Gr. M.)

That there has always been the grades of apprentices or learners and of Fellow Crafts or skilled workmen and Masters, or overseers, can not be denied...as to the lines of demarkation or ceremonies, if any there were in early times, we know, practically, nothing. I am not able to see that it is material whether the degrees of Symbolic Masonry with their distinctive ceremonies are the result of gradual improvement since 1717, from a common initiation having divisions of rank or not. The fact remains that there has existed from time immemorial, the grades of Apprentice, Fellow and Master, though we may not have documentary evidence as to when the ceremonies and lectures of the three degrees took distinctive form.

See proofs under Landmark 2, 5, 6.

4. The legend of the third degree is a part of it.

PROOFS .- "The legend of the third degree." - Mackey's 3d Landmark; Lockwood's 2d. See Monitors.

The legend of the third degree is an important landmark, the integrity of which has been well preserved.—Mack. Cyclo., 441, 492.

Whence it came, we may not know, but we do know that it is now a

rule and practice, almost, or quite universal, "immemorial" usage.

If any universal usage exists ... so long that its origin is unknown, it is a landmark.—Drummond's Text-book, 175.

COVENANTS.

5. Secrecy is an essential element of Masonry, and every Mason is bound by irrevocable ties to keep inviolate the private ceremonies, signs and words of Masonry and the business of the lodge, including the ballot, and (excepting treason and murder) never to divulge any accepted secret confided by a brother.

PROOFS .- "Dyskever thou not thyn owne dede." -- Ars. Qua. Corona, Line

Compare with Landmarks of Oliver, 1; Mackey, 1, 23; Simons, 5, 11; Morris, 8, 9, 16; Lockwood, 12, 17.

That if any Fellow ... shall att any time ... discover his Master's se-

crets, or his owne, be it not onely spoken in the lodge or without, or the secrets or councell of his Fellows, that may ... damage any of his Fellows or their good names ... (etc)., shall pay £1, 6s., 8d.—Aluwick L., 1701, 3 Gould, 15.

Hys master conwsel he kepe and close,
And hys felows by his good purpose
The prevetyse of the chamber telle he no mon,
Ny yn the logge whatsever they done;
Whatsoever thou heryst, or syste hem do.
Telle hyt no mon, whersever thou go.—Line 282.
That no mon to hys craft be false
A good trwe othe he must ther swere,...—Line 429.
Ny tel thou not al that thou heres.—Line 769, Plures. Const., 1390.

Accepted Masons, or Freemasons, who are known to one another all over the world by certain signals and watchwords known to them alone... The manner of their adoption or admission is very formal and solemn and with the administration of an oath of secrecy.—Ashmole's MS. Made a Mason 1682.

"They (the 'Maconnes') concelethe the arte of kepynge secrettes, that soe the worlde mayeth nothinge concele from them "-MS. 1422-1451.

Ye shall keepe truly all the counsel that ought to be kept in the way of masonhood, and all the counsel of the lodge or of the chamber.—MS. 1685-1689.

An Apprentice is bound to keep the Secrets of his Master. A Freeman is obliged to consult the Interest of his Company, and not to prostitute in common the Mysteries of his Trade.—M.: Dissected, 1738.

... Ye kepe all the counsells of yor fellowes trueley be yt in Lodge or in Chamber, And all other Counsells that ought to be kept by the waye of Massonhoode.—MS. roll, 1583.

Yw shall not disclose ... their councell or secretts wch they have imparted ... -Gr. L. MS. roll, No. 2.

... Keep Councill truly of the Secret and of the Craft, and another

councell...by way of masonrie.—MS., 1660.

It teaches inviolable secrecy... never to discover our mystic rites or betray a confidence a brother has placed in us.—Trewman's Principles, 1777, 3.

See explanation of Jewels of a F. C.; Book of Const. guarded Tyler's sword, 3°, and see proof under 3, 6, 7.

6. Writing or printing the esoteric part of Masonry plainly or by sign or otherwise is contrary to the covenants of the fraternity.

Proofs.—Never divulged in manuscript therefore can not be expected in print.—Introd. Anderson's Const. 1738.

Not disclosing the secresy of our lodge to man, woman nor child: sticke nor stone: thing movable nor vnmovable, soe God you helpe...MS. 1660.

The small number of documents which the Masonic society possess... is easily accounted for by the fact that absolute silence had been imposed by oath...not to communicate in any manner except verbally...any of the secrets confided to them...—Rebold-Brennan Hist. Fm. 350.

See proofs under 3, 5, 7.

7. The covenants of a Mason do not conflict with his duty to God, his country, his family, his neighbor, or himself, but are binding upon his conscience and actions.

This above all—to thine own self be true, And it must follow as the night the day, Thou canst not then be false to any man.—Shaks. Ham.

PROOFS.—It instructs us in our duty to the Great Architect of the Universe...to be peaceable subjects...instructs us in duty to our neighbor... likewise our duty to ourselves...—Trewman's Prin. 1777, 2-6.

The Holy Bible is given to us as the rule and guide of faith—Monitors. There are three great duties which as a Mason you are charged to incul-

cate—to God, your neighbor and yourself.—Charge to E. A.

All Masters...shall be sworn by their great oath not to conceal any wrong done each other or to the owners of the work, as far as they know-Schaw Statutes, 1598, 2 Gould 7.

The Master Masons and Entered Apprentices...vow and agree to own the lodge on all occasions...as they did on their entry and on receiving

the Mason word.—Statutes Lodge of Aberdeen (1670), 2 Gould 48.

Every Mason shall make oath, etc.—Plures Const.; Ashmole MS. (1682). Every man that is a Mason take good heed...that you keep all these charges well, for it is a great evil for a man to foreswear himself upon a book.-MS. 1685-1689. He must swear to be steadfast to all the ordinances

of Masonry.—Plures Const., point 14.
...An oath upon the subject of Masonry is at least justified and lawful... a solemn oath...is not more obligatory than a simple one, because... that God is invoked... If the oath be taken... no member of the fraternity upon any pretense whatever dares violate the obligation of it without incurring the guilt of perjury.--M.. Dissected, 1726.

[Assurance on entering a lodge. If it were otherwise no upright man

would be made a Mason].

CEREMONIES OF ANCIENT COVENANTS.—Parties to them selected a calf or kid among the Jews; a sheep among the Greeks, or a pig among the Romans. The throat was cut across with a single blow so as to completely sever the windpipe and arteries without touching the bone. This was the first ceremony of the covenant. The second was to tear open the breast to take thence the heart and vitals... The third ceremony was to divide the body in twain, and to place the two parts to the North and South, so that the parties to the covenant might pass between them...The carcass was then left as a prey to the wild beasts of the field and vultures of the air, and thus the covenant was ratified.—Mack. Cyclo. 191.

See proofs under 5, 6.

ITS CREED.

8. Belief in the existence and reverencing the name of the Supreme Being whom men call God and whom Masons refer to as "The Grand Architect of the Universe," is unqualifiedly demanded.

PROOFS.—Oh thou eternal one, whose presence bright
All space doth occupy—all motion guide; ... Being above all beings, mighty one! Whom none can comprehend and none explore;
Who fills existence with thyself alone;
Embracing all—supporting, ruling o'er
Being whom we call God, and know no more.—Russian Poem, 1743-1791.

As to reverence see "Commandments ten" the 3d; Lecture of Middle Chamber; the tenor of all Masonic teachings; common sense and common decency.

In the Lorde is all our trust.—MS. roll, 1687. As his (candidate's) foundation and corner-stone, he is firmly to believe in the Eternal God ... as the Great Architect and Governor of the Universe.—Const. Mass., 1798, 33.

Pray we now to God Almyght.—Regins MS. (1390). To worchepe thy Lord God bothe day and nygh.—Ibid

He will never be a stupid atheist.—Anc. Char., I.

[Without such belief Masonic ceremonies would be farcical from first

to last | Compare with "Landmarks" of Mackey, 10; Morris, 10; Simons, 1; Lockwood, 1.

"He most love wol God."-Plures Const, 1.

"Only oblige them to that religion in which all men agree."-Ancient

Holy Bible as "the Great Light." Record written in the reign of Ed-

ward IV (1441-1483).—Harris' Const., 10.

"... For dread of God, you be charged to keep all of these charges well ... "-MS., 1685, 1689.

> "Trwe men they were yn that dawe, And lyved wel y Goddus lawe; ... For to kepe the commandmentes ten That God gaf to alle men ... "-Ars. Qua. Cor.

"In deo est omnes fides"—Below the arms of John Mervo, first Grand Master of St John's Lodge, Melrose, 1136 .- 2 Gould, 70.

The mighte of the Father in heaven ... one God be with vs at or begin-

ning ... that wee maye come to his blisse ... - MS., 1583.

Honkyd be God our glorious ffadir and founder and former of heuen

and of erthe, and of all thyngis.-Cook's MS (1490?).

Their membership (lodge, etc., B. C. 715; see notes under 2) was composed of men of all countries... and different beliefs, the Supreme Being necessarily had to be represented under a general title, and therefore was styled "The Grand Architect of the Universe"—the universe being considered the most perfect work of a Master-builder.—Rebold-Brennan Hist. Fm , 35.

Ye shall be trewe men to God ... -MS. roll, 1583; MS., 1660-'80.

An unequivocal belief and trust in God is the fundamental principle upon which the institution of Freemasonry was founded and must forever rest.-M.: Congress, 1893.

Masonry has its decalogue . . . I God is the Eternal, Omnipotent, Immutable Wisdom and Supreme Intelligence and Exhaustless Love.—Pike's Morals and Dogmas, 17.

Lesson on Speculative Masonry, 2°. Declaration after prayer, 1°.

g. Belief in the immortality of the soul and the resurrection to a future life.

> PROOFS.—"Forthermore he grant the grace, In heven blysse to hav a place."—Ars. Qua. Cor. "Wel thys boke to conne and rede, Heven to have for yowr mede Amen! amen! so mot hyt be."—Ibid. MS. 1370.

On a tomb in the church of St. Helen, London, is this inscription: "Here lyeth the body of...Freemason, who departed this life...Ano 1594." 2 Gould 279

The Holy Bible is the rule and guide of faith—Lect. E. A. Faith in God, hope of immortality...—Lect. E. A., Legend 3d degree.

One God...so gou'ne vs here in or lyving that wee maye come to his blisse that never shall have ending. Amen.—MS. 1583.

Every Mason must believe in a resurrection to a future life.—Mackey's Landmark 20... And in the immortality of the soul .- J. W. Simon's Landmark 1.

Resurrection ...and immortality ... Lockwood's Landmark 1.

.. As yw will answ: before God at the Great & terrible day of judgmt

yw keep secret & not to revaile... Harleian MS. 1600.

Masonry has its decalogue...II...Thy soul is immortal. Thou shalt do nothing to degrade it.—Pike's Morals and Dogmas, 17.

To believe in Masonry and not to believe in a resurrection, would be

an absurd anomaly . . . Mack. Cyclo., 442.

[If raising from a dead level to a living perpendicular, or substantially that, does not mean a life after death, our legend is absurd and ought to be eliminated at once.] See explanations in 3° of Ark, Sythe, Sprig of Acaccia, Three Steps, Prayer of K. S.; in 2° Plumb; in 1° Badge of a M...; in installation of the Master, Plumb line, et al.

LIGHTS, TENETS AND CARDINAL VIRTUES.

10. "The Book of the Law," Square and Compasses, are the Great Lights in Masonry, and their presence in an open lodge is indispensable.

Proofs.—That a Book of the Law of God must constitute an indispensable part of the furniture of every lodge.—Mackey's Landmark, 21; Rob Morris', 3; Oliver's, 2, 6.

A lodge is an assemblage...having the Holy Bible, Square and Com-

passes...Manuals.

The Holy Bible, Square and Compasses are not only styled the Great Lights in Masonry...it is held there is no lodge without them.—Pike's Morals and Dogmas, 11.

Masonically, the Book of the law is that Sacred Book which is believed by the Masons of any particular religion to contain the revealed will of God.—Mack. Cyclo., 124.

See proofs under 14.

11. The Great Tenets of Masonry are Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth.

PROOFS.—M.: Manuals. (If he have no work for him) refresh him with money ...—MS., 1583.

Brotherly Love the foundation and Cope Stone.—Harris No. 2 MS. You shall at all times cheerfully and bountifully distribute... to the

relief of poor, sick and distress'd fellow Masons.—Harris No. 2 MS., 15.

See explanation of Twenty-four-inch gauge and lesson on metal, 1°;
Compasses, et al.

12. The Cardinal Virtues of Masonry are Temperance, Fortitude, Prudence and Justice.

Proofs.—Explicitly taught in every Monitor, and universally recognized and substantially taught in the old MSS., Charges and Regulations.

APRON AND PRINCIPAL SYMBOLS.

13. The white lambskin apron is the badge of a Mason.

PROOFS.—"The lambskin or white leather apron is an emblem of innocence and the badge of a Mason, more ancient than the Golden Fleece" [an order of Knighthood instituted in 1429], etc.—Monitors.

Gloves and aprons mentioned as furnished and used by a Scottish lodge (1736), and aprons are given in inventory of Lodge Can. Kilwinning (1751).

-Hist. L.: Can. Kil., 50.

¹ See foot-note under 14.

The apron is the badge of innocence and bond of friendship.—Oliver's 7th "Landmark."

The apron is the usual clothing of Master Masons.—Const. Mass., 1792,

p. 206.

"Every brother at his making is decently to clothe the lodge ... " [i. e.,

to furnish aprons and possibly gloves].

In a covenant (1421-1471) "between the church wardens of a parish in Suffolk and a company of Freemasons, the latter stipulated that each man should be provided with a pair of gloves and a white apron."—Qr. Rev., vol. xxiv, 146.

1695, Dec. 27, enacted by Melrose Lodge, that neither Apprentice nor Fellow Craft be received unless they have gloves for those entitled thereto, or be mulcted in £10 penalty. 1739 certain members were fined £8 (scots), and to provide a pair of gloves for every member. 1745 a meeting resolved to accepted 5s. sterling for Apprentices and Craftsmen, "in lieu of gloves in all time coming."-Gould's Hist. Fm., vol. ii, p. 71, 72.

[This does not necessarily do away with the gloves, but provides the

means by which the lodge can furnish them.]

Each Apprentice was required to pay four rix dollars at his admission, and to present every member of the lodge with a linen apron and a pair of gloves—Aberdeen Statutes, 1670, Hist., vol. ii, p. 49.

The apron of Robert Burns, now in possession of D. Murray Lyon,

Gr. Sec. Scotland, is of plain white leather.

Each happy Craftsman . . . to wear an apron that is able.—Grand Khai-

bar Ode, 1726.

White ... gloves and aprons ... (foot note: "This is the usual clothing of Master Masons.")—Trewman's Principles, 1777, 65.

14. The Square and the Compasses are Masonic symbols of morality.

PROOFS.—In the Abbey at Salisbury is a shield carved, displaying two pairs of compasses interlaced, and the almost obliterated inscription in quaint Gothic letters [substantially]: "As the compass goes round without deviating from the circumference, so, doubtless, truth and loyalty never deviate. Look well to the end, quoth John Murdo" [14th to 15th century?]—2 Gould, 70.

The Arms of the Masons, German, shown by old drawing (1515), were four compasses and a sphere. Other Arms (1633-1686), etc., have the com-

passes on a cheveron, or otherwise.—2 Gould.

Seals of Masons, Strasburg, 1524, have compasses, level, etc. Of Dresden, 1725, have compasses, square, triangle, level, etc.—Gould.

"Yet I this forme of formless DEITY,
Drewe by the Square and Compasse of our Creed."
—Summa Totalis, a religious work by John Davies, 1607.

"How many make a lodge?"

"God and the Square, with five or seven right or perfect Masons."—Early

Catechism (1725), Mackey's Cyclo., 735.

In the foundation of a very ancient bridge, called Baal Bridge, near Limerick, Ireland, a brass square, much eaten, was found (in 1830), having this inscription: I. WILL. STRIUE. TO. LIUE.—WITH. LOUE. &. CARE.—UPON. THE. LEUL. BY. THE. SQUARE. and the date 1517.—Mackey's Cyclo., 735.

The Square indicates morality.—Monitors.

¹ Not "Compass," which is a nautical instrument, while Compasses is the [Masonic] working tool for describing circles.—See Webster's Dictionary of to-day and Bailey's of 1770. If we fear the plural form, why not say molass for molasses?

The Holy Bible is given to us as the rule and guide of our faith; the Square to square our actions; and the Compasses to circumscribe our desires and keep our passions in due bounds, hence...etc.-Monitors.

See also the installation ceremonies of the Master, which are very old.

But friendly love and union fair They deal in all things on the square. —Grand Khaibar: Ode, 1726.

The Square is an emblem of what concerns the ... body... the Compasses what concerns the ... soul.—Pike's Morals and Dogmas, 11.

The Square inculcates morality...by the Compasses we are taught to circumscribe desires and keep passions within due bounds.—Lect. 10.

FESTIVALS.

15. The Saints Johns' Days (June 24 and December 27) are Masonic Festivals. [One or-the other is Masonically the appropriate time for the annual election of officers.

PROOFS.—Keep the solemn feasts.—Great Light, Nah. 1, 15.

The brethren of all the lodges...shall meet at an annual communication and feast...on St. John Baptist's Day, or else on St. John Evangelist's Day...—Reg. xxvii (1721).

There shall be yearly two Wardens chosen...on St. John Baptist Day.

-Lodge at Anwick, 1701; Swalwel Lodge, 3 Gould, 14.

1599—Warden elected "be monyst of thair voitis for ane zeir [year] to cum."—3 Gould, 74.

St. John's Day was to be observed as a day of rejoicing and feasting...

Absentees were fined.—Aberdeen Statutes, 1670; 2 Gould, 49.

We...consent...to meet yearly on St. John's Day, which is ye 27 of December, if it be not on ye Sabbath day, in yt case we ar to keipe ye next day following.—Lodge of Melros, 3 Gould, 75.

The Master shall be annually elected on St. John's Day, also the box-

master and clerk.—Aberdeen Statutes, 1670; 2 Gould, 48.

The brethren...shall meet...on St. John's Day and...repair to their festival dinners...—Ahi. Rez. Pa., 1783, 80.

The Gr. L. must meet...on St. John the Evangelist's Day every year.

- -Old Reg, xxii. See proofs under 16.

16. The "General Assembly," or Grand Lodge, is the Supreme legislative, judicial and executive body of the Craft in all matters Masonic within its territorial jurisdiction, and is composed of representatives from lodges therein.

Proofs.—See remarks and authorities under Landmarks 27, 30.

The term "General Assembly" (tantamount to Grand Lodge) formerly indicated the annual meetings. It was noticed in MS. (1663) quoted by Preston. See also Anderson's Const. and Hist. King Athelstan assembled the Craft in York (930), giving them freedom to regulate themselves, amend what might happen amiss, and hold yearly Communications and General Assemblies.—Anderson's Hist., 1721; also MS. roll, 1583. [I have not discovered that these General Assemblies had control beyond the boundary of the Kingdom; on the contrary, England and Scotland seems to have had their own Grand Masters, which would justify the modern usage of Grand Lodges for different States and Provinces. L. 9: MS. roll,

1583, says the King gave "A Charter and A Commission to houlde evr'y yere a sembly once A yeare wheare they woulde w-th in thee realme of England, And to correct with in them self faults and Trespasses that weare done wthin the Crafte ... "] The fraternity ... shall be regulated and governed by one W. M. and as many Wardens as said society shall think fit to appoint at every Annual General Assembly.-Reg. 5 of 1663, Harris, p. 29.

Gave them a charter... for to houlde A gen'all counsell, And gaue yt

the Name of An Assemblye ... MS. roll, 1583.

Suche ordynance as they maken there They schul mayute hyt hol y-fere [i. e., together].—Plures Const., 12. They ordent ther a semble to be y-holde Every yer... to amende the defaultes... Amonge the Craft.--Line 471-4, MS. 1390.

One not a member of Grand Lodge, though he be present, shall not "even give his opinion without leave of the Grand Lodge asked and given."—Gen. Reg. xii (1721). [Showing that the G.: M.: in the chair is not, but Grand Lodge is supreme.] "All matters are to be determined in Grand Lodge by a majority of votes."—Gen. Reg. xii, 1721. Same in Grand Lodge by a majority of votes."—Gen. Reg. xii, 1721.

Const. Mass., 1798, 60.; Pa., 1783, 61. [So G. M. still is not the Grand Lodge.]
In the "approbation," of the General Regulations of 1721, the Grand Master, etc., approve and publish them "with the consent of the brothers and fellows"—which was the Grand Lodge.

A good trwe othe he most ther swere... He most be stedefast and trwe also To alle thys ordynance, whersever he go.-Plures Const., 14.

"Once a year ye are to come and assemble together to consult how ye may best serve the Craft."-Latin MS., 1429. The Gr. L... is to ... transact and settle all matters that concern the prosperity of the Craft and Freemasonry in General or private lodges and brethren in particular. Thus all differences that can not be accommodated privately, nor by a particular lodge, are to be ... decided. And any brother ... may appeal, to be finally determined upon at the next [meeting of Grand Lodge] .- Const. Mass.,

1798, 61; Reg. xiii, 1721.

On [one] tyme of the yere or in iii yere, as mede were, ... congregaciones scholde be made by Maisters of all Maister Masons and felases in the forseyd art.—Cook MS., 1490.

And he gott of the King, his father, a charter and commission once every year to have Assembly within the realme .- MS., 1560.

The Grand Lodge shall appoint time to elect Gr. M. by a majority of

voices ... - Hist. Lodge Can. Kilwin. (1735), 26.

Lodges were required to report admissions "at every General Assembly."—Reg. 3, 1663.

Compare with "Landmarks" of Morris, 17, Lockwood, 7, 15; Mackey,

17; Simons, 13.

No alterations shall be made [in Constitutions] without leave of the

Grand Lodge.—Santion Consts., 1738.

A Grand Lodge duly organized in a State or other autonomous territory is rightfully possessed of absolute Masonic sovereignty therein.—M... Congress, 1893.

THE LODGE.

17. A lodge is an organized assemblage of Freemasons, having a Warrant of Constitution authorizing it to work in conformity with the usages and laws of the Craft.

Proofs.—The privilege of assembling as Masons...shall be vested in

certain lodges of Masons, convened in certain places; and every lodge... shall be legally authorized to act, by a Warrant from the Grand Master for the time being, granted to certain individuals by petition, with the consent and approbation of the Grand Lodge in communication; and without such Warrant no lodge shall hereafter be deemed regular or constitutional .- Reg. Gr. L. of Eng., 1717, iv. "You admit that no new lodge shall be formed without permission of the Grand Lodge."—Anct. Instal. of W. M.
"A lodge is an assemblage of Masons...having...a Warrant of Consti-

tution authorizing them to work."-Monitors: Webb, 1797-1814; Eng. or

MS., 1688-1701.

"No persons of what degree soever be made or accepted a Freemason unless in a regular lodge, whereof one to be a Master or a Warden in that limit or division where such lodge is kept, and another to be a Craftsman."

-Reg. 1, 1663.

Applications for Warrant of Constitution must be made to him. (Pro. G. M.)...[showing that dispensation was a "Warrant of Constitution."] Trueman's Principles, 1777, 46; same, p. 47, in petition for lodge U. D., "to make, pass and raise...and to execute the other duties of the Craft." No Mason of any denomination can hold any lodge without a Warrant.

—Ahi. Rez. Pa., 1783, 104.
[Hence: A Dispensation issued by the Grand Master is a Warrant authorized by the Grand Lodge, and is not given as any inherent right or

"prerogative" of the former].

Lodges are peers. Compare Lockwood's "Landmarks," 14, 9, and

Mackey's, 16.

In Trueman's Principles of Freemasonry, 1777, 47, under "manner of constituting a lodge according to ancient usage," these ideas are set out: Petition for lodge U. D. calls the dispensation a "Warrant of Constitution," asks "to execute all the other duties of the Craft," this rule is given: "In consequence of this dispensation...its transactions...will be equally valid for the time being, with those of a regular lodge." A day is set... "for installing the Master, Wardens, and other officers of the same." Which shows that a lodge U. D. is, during its existence, the peer of any other lodge, in all respects. Why not?

Trueman, 1777, p. 48, uses the term "subordinate lodge."

At the Grand Lodge, in ample form on Lady-day, 1721...Grand Master Payne proposed... His health drank in due form... when the Grand Master is present it is a lodge in ample form, otherwise only in due form, yet having the same authority as ample form.1—And.'s Const., 1738.

18. Every Lodge, Grand or Subordinate, when lawfully congregated, must be regularly clothed, tyled and opened, before it can proceed to work.

PROOFS.—Every brother ... always appears therein properly clothed.—Const. Mass., 1798, 52. See Reg. 1721, vii; Ahi. Rez. Pa., 1783, 60. Meet in a convenient room, and being properly clothed, walk in procession to the lodge room.—Trewman's Principals, 1777, 48.

The necessity that every lodge when congregated should be tyled, is an

important landmark .- Mack. Cyclo., 441.

It is doubtless an error to assume that to "congregate" a lodge is to call to order, which is merely completing the act. The word is defined as "to bring into place; to assemble; to meet; to collect into an assembly,"

¹ A lodge, grand or subordinate, is said to be opened or closed in ample form by the Grand Master; in due form by his Deputy or a Grand Warden; in form by the Master, and with the usual ceremonies by a Past Master.—Compare with Mack. Cyclo., 281. 2 See Par. 8 under 17.

therefore it would be strained and improper to give it a narrower meaning, but that it must be *lawfully* convened is self-evident.]

Necessity for opening and tyling is apparent, and needs no proof or

argument.

19. Masons meet in the lodge upon the level of equality, and address each other as brother.

Proofs.—Compare with Landmarks of Oliver, 2; Mackey, 22; Lockwood, 13; Morris, 7.

The Level inculcates equality.-Monitors.

In a lodge ... we rank as brethren on a level ...—Trewman, 1777, 4. "All Masons are as brethren upon the same level."—Anc. Char., vi, 3. "Calling each other Brother."—Ibid. To call each other ... Brother or Fellow ... in the lodge.—Anc. Char., v. [Fellow means a companion, an equal.—Bailey's Dictionary, 1770—so does "Brother." Hence the Master is chief among equals; in no sense an autocrat.

"But mason schulde never won other calle,
Withvane the Craft amongus hem alle,
Ny [nor] soget [subject] ny servand. [but] my dere brother,
Thaght he be not so perfect as ys another."—Hist. Incip. Const., 50 (1390).
"He that lernede best, and were of oneste,
And passud hys felows yn curyste [curiosity];
Gef yn that Craft he dede him passe,
He schulde have more worschepe than the lasse...."—Ibid. 34.

By the oath of entry the Warden is acknowledged "as the next in power to the Master," and in his absence possesses similar authority, and to continue in office according to the will of the company.—Aberdeen Stat. (1670); 2 Gould, 48. [So the "company" or lodge, in which all have equal voice as equals, determines whether even a Warden—equal to the M. in his absence—shall continue in office.]

sence—shall continue in office.]

Dec. 28, 1674. Minutes of Melrose Lodge says: "Be the voice of the lodge," no Master shall, etc., and that when made "frie Mason he must pay

... at the pleasure of the lodge."—2 Gould, 70.

Ye shall call all Masons your Fellows or your Brethren, and no other names.—MS. 1685-1689.

All were to love one another as brothers born.—Statutes Lodge of Ab-

erdeen (1670), Gould's Hist., vol. ii, p. 50.

Thatt noe Mason shall hive any other name in the place of meeting than Brother or Fellow...—Lodge at Aulwick (1701), 3 Gould, p. 15.

... As Masons we rank as Brethren on a level...—Harris No. 2, MS. 5. Alsoe that no Mason be chiefe in company so far forth as shall be

known.—Sloane MS., 1659.

That every Mason should prefer his elder and put him to worship.—MS. 1600, 1646, 1659, et al.

In all true... bodies the members are on an equality, and the officers are but the instruments and agents of the assembly.—Mills Parl. Prac., 1.

20. A Lodge, duly opened, has the right to instruct its representatives to Grand Lodge.

Proofs.—Const. Mass., 1798, 51; Ky., 1808, 48.

... Every lodge ... shall have the privilege of giving instruction to their Master and Wardens before meeting ...—Old Reg., x.

The Gr. L. consists, and is formed by the Masters and Wardens of particular lodges upon record ...—Old Reg., xii.

See "Landmarks" of Mackey, 12; Simons, 14.

A representative is an agent, or deputy, invested with authority of another. If the lodge, whose representative the Master (or another) is, can not be instructed, it would be a misnomer to call him representative. See proofs under 30.

21. Questions of politics or sectarian religious belief can not be brought into a lodge.

Proofs.—We never suffer any religious disputes in our lodges.—Trew-

man's Principles, 1777, 5.

... Found a lodge to be a safe and pleasant relaxation from ... study or ... business, without Politicks or Party.—Anderson's Hist. Proceed. Gr. L. Eng., Jan. 17, 1722; Quat. Cor. Report, vii, 115.

Only to oblige them to that religion in which all men agree, leaving their peculiar opinions to themselves . . . —An. Chg., I.

Therefore no private piques or quarrels must be brought within the door of the lodge, far less any quarrels about religion, or nation or State policy . . . we being . . . resolved against all politics . . . - An. Chg., vi, 2.

22. A Mason in good fellowship with some regular lodge, may visit any lodge not his own when it will not disturb the harmony of the lodge visited.

PROOFS.—That harmony may be preserved.—Harris' No. 2 MS. "Peace

and harmony."-Lecture.

See "Landmarks" of Mackey 14, 15, [who claims the "right" of visitation, but admits there are exceptions]...except when such visit is likely to disturb the harmony or interrupt the working.—Simons' "Landmark," 8.

A visitor to a lodge has no right to demand an inspection of the lodge

charter.—M.: Congress, 1893.

Every visiting member of a regular lodge.—Alcott's Disq'n, 1722, 206. See last paragraph under 23.

23. A Mason can not sit in a clandestine lodge nor converse on the secrets of Masonry with a clandestine made Mason, nor with one who is under suspension or expulsion.

Proofs.—You admit that...no countenance ought to be given to any irregular lodge, or to any person clandestinely initiated therein as being contrary to the ancient charges....—Instal. of Master, very old.

With clandestine lodges of Masons, regular Masons are forbidden to associate or converse on Masonic subjects.—Mack. Cyclo., 167.

Every visiting brother being a member of a regular lodge.—Alcott's Disq'n, 1772, 206. [Of course suspended, etc., are under the ban.]

OFFICERS.

24. The Grand Master is the executive head of the Craft, and presiding officer of the Grand Lodge, by which he is elected, and whose laws he must obey.

Proofs.—Gr. M. chosen by ballot.—Old Reg. xxv.

Compare with "Landmarks" of Mackey 4, 5; Lockwood 5. (See also remarks, etc., under these Landmarks, 5, 16, 17, 19, 28).

The Grand Lodge is formed by the Masters...with the Grand Master

at their head.—Ahi. Rez, Penn., 1783, 58; Reg. xii, 1721.

All the members with the...Grand Master at their head, who shall... receive any appeal...that the appellant may be heard and the affair be... decided.—Reg. xxviii, (1721).

He must obtain "the unanimous consent of all the brethren" before he

can install a Master.-Reg. (1721), Postscript.

All matters are determined by a majority of votes,...but in special matters he may decide without a vote, for the sake of expedition.—Reg. (1721), xii. [Which is law governing the chair in any deliberative assembly.]

A brother, not a member of Grand Lodge, if permitted to be present, can not vote, nor even give his opinion without leave of the Grand Lodge,

asked and given ... Reg. xii (1721).

"All matters that concern the fraternity... are to be discoursed and transacted...[in quarterly communications] and if any brother...may appeal to the annual Grand Lodge..."—Reg. (1721), xiii. [Not to Grand Master].

While Grand Master chose his Deputy, he had no power to displace him

without consent of the Grand Lodge.-Reg. xviii (1721).

Grand Master is elected by Grand Lodge.—Reg. xxix. By a majority

vote.-Reg. xii. [He is then the creature of Grand Lodge].

In the assemblies of 926, 1663, and 1717, the Grand Master was held to obey the laws and edicts of the Grand Lodge.—Mitchell's Com. Law of Masonry, 186.

"These rulers and governors, supreme and subordinate,... are to be obeyed in their respective stations... according to the Ancient Charges and Regulations."—Anct. Charg. iv. [Which nowhere give him autocratic power, but limits it. A presiding officer is "obeyed in his station," and governs as in any deliberative body].

The "approbation" of General Regulations (1721) is signed by Grand

Master, etc., "with the consent of the brethren and fellows."

Laws proposed can not be executed "without the assent of the Grand Master, duly given by the voice and authority of the Grand Lodge."—Ahi. Rez.,

Penn., 1783, 103.

"It is nevertheless the prerogative of the Grand Lodge and the R. W. Grand Master has full power and authority, when the Grand Lodge is duly assembled, to make, or cause to be made, in his worship's presence, Free and Accepted Masons at sight..." (The prerogative is the Grand Lodge's, not the Grand Master's)—Ahi. Rez., Penn., 1783, 63. [Copied from Dermott, a scysmatic, and dates only about 1738. It is the only regulation sanctioning sight-made Masons, and this is by seceders from established authority, laws, etc., and conflicts with many old charges: e. g. Do you admit that no person can be regularly made a Freemason... without previous notice and due inquiry.—Instal'n of Master, very old, and common to Masonic Manuals].

And also that no Mrs. nor fellowes take no allowance to be made mass-

on with assent & counsell of his fellowes.-MS., 1583.

The Grand Master, with the authority of the Grand Lodge, may grant them

a warrant and form them into a new lodge.—Ahi. Rez., 1783, 64.

"We, the present Grand Master...with the consent of the brethren and fellows...as the only Constitutions." (See "Approbation" and certificate to the General Regulations, 1721), which "has been compared with and reduced to the Ancient Records and immemorial usages of the Fraternity...."—Introd. to Gen. Reg., 1721.

Ther (at G. I..) they schullen ben alley-swore,...
To kepe these statutes everychon (every one).
—Alia Ordinacio Artis Gemetriae, 1390.

To this day Grand Master at installation reaffirms his promises to obey

the law, as he did when installed Master and before. It is difficult to find an excuse for violating, evading or assuming superiority to the laws he so often vowed to observe.]

Grand Master gives good advice (Reg. xxxviii) but is amenable to pen-

alty that may be enacted.-Reg. xix.

Regulation of Grand Lodge of England, 1717, explained how lodges formerly met, but declared that "a warrant from the Grand Master...by petition, with consent of the Grand Lodge," was essential after that time.

Masters and Wardens, or Master Masons or Fellow Crafts to represent them, were to choose the Grand Master (1735).—Hist. Can. Kilwin., 36. But in Scotland the office was hereditary until 1735, when a formal quit-claim to the office was made by William St. Clair, of Rossline, "in favor of the brethren."

You promise to pay homage to the Gr. M...and to his officers...and strictly conform to every edict of the Grand Lodge...not subversive, etc.

-Instal'n ch'ge.

- ... There are no dispensing powers so residing that may not be limited or wholly denied by the Grand Lodge, save such as inhere in that office under the sanction of the ancient landmarks -M.: Congress, 1893. [Where is the general law or "landmark" that does not recognize Grand Lodge supreme?] Inherent right of Gr. L. to choose G. M. and his Dep.--Reg. Pa., 1783, 16.
- 25. The Grand Master may preside in any lodge in his jurisdiction.

PROOFS.—The Grand Master or his deputy has full authority and right not only to be present but also to preside in every lodge, with the Master of the lodge on his left...—Old Reg., i. See also "Landmarks" of Mackey, 5; J. W. Simons, 9.]

[If this is not "prerogative" it has such strong claims as a courtesy that

it really amounts to a positive right which is universally admitted I be-

26. The Grand Master may suspend the Master of a lodge or arrest a lodge charter for cause.

Proofs.—See Mitchell's 2d Digest, 402.

There is no dispute as to this usage, so far as I am informed, but it is conceded generally now and in the long ago. If he could not suspend a refractory Master or contumacious lodge his authority would be nominal, and he would have less power than ordinary executives.

27. The officers of a lodge are the Master (addressed as "Worshipful Master" when in the chair), the Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Secretary, Treasurer, Senior Deacon, Junior Deacon, Steward and Tyler.

PROOFS.—[These officers are found in every lodge, though in some additional officers are provided. This is such universal law and usage, from time immemorial, that "proof" is unnecessary. I only make a few comments. There were Secretaries before Treasurers.]

The Master (addressed as Worshipful Master but not so styling him-

self) is head of the lodge.

If an abbot was ... Master or Warden ... they addressed him as Worshipful Brother or Worshipful Master, thus establishing a mode of address which has descended even to our own day as the usual one in speaking to or of the first officer within the lodge -Riebold-Brennan Hist. Fm., 46.

The Wardens assist the Master, and act in his place if absent. In early times they kept the funds, while the Master or a Warden acted as Secre-

tary.

The Secretary is "the most important position except that of Master. -Rob Morris. He must be a good penman; able to form sentences correctly; more than a fair accountant; well versed in Masonic law, usage and forms; a good reader; good collector; patient, courteous and accommodating; quick of perception, correct in judgment, honest and prompt. In short, the most competent man in the lodge. Better have a poor Master than an indifferent, careless, incompetent Secretary. If so much depends upon him his office should be dignified and honored.

The Treasurer is the Lodge banker, and needs but to be honest and capable of counting money, setting it down properly as received and paid out.

The Deacons, derived from primitive church usage, are called acolites in the Rite of Mizraim (an attendant or inferior church officer). They, especially the Senior, give particular attention to visitors.

The Stewards assist the Secretary and Deacons, and attend to refresh-

ments-very important in ye olden time.

The Tyler—and all—ought to be courteous and prompt.]

THE MASTER.

28. The Master is the head of the lodge, and, as a presiding officer, governs it according to the laws and usages of the fraternity, and may convene it at pleasure.

Proofs.—See notes under 19, 35, 47, 53; also Instal. Chg. v, x.

[From previous Landmarks it will be observed that a brother stands to the award of the brethren in lodge assembled, where all meet upon a level. If the Master is an autocrat the conceded equality is a myth, and the decision of the lodge is then by consent or sufferance of the Master. No such idea can be sustained. Mackey's Landmark 10 says a lodge is governed by Master and Wardens—(and not by the brethren?) Hardly, for his 13th Landmark grants appeal from the lodge. Of course it must decide if appealed from. Mackey's 12th and Simons' 14th Landmark recognizes the right of the lodge to *instruct* the representative, and the Master is recognized as such representative. If the Master rules he might forbid or refuse to entertain a motion to instruct. Then Wardens or lodge may act.—

Pa., 1783, 52.]
Prince Edwin purchased (procured) from King Athelstan a Free Charter for the Free Masons, having among themselves a Constitution [the Magna Charter of freemen], or a power and freedom to regulate themselves ...—Anderson's Const., 2d ed., p. 63; Preston, 2d ed., p. 198. ["Regulate

themselves;" not regulated by a Master.]

The Masons having ... a freedom and power to regulate themselves.

Elias Ashmole's record (1441-1483), Harris' Antiquities.

Call the governor of the work Master in the time of working with him. -Latin MS., 1429. [Just as any presiding officer would govern when the

assembly was in session.]

"Right Worshipful Master, Wardens and brethren" authorized the Lodge Cannongate-Kilwinning, Scotland, to "Receive, enter and pass any qualified person as Free and Accepted Masons.—Charter of Lodge Cannongate-Kilwinning, dated June 24, 1736, which is signed by the officers and

members of the mother Kilwinning Lodge.-Hist. Can.-Kilwin., 47 (original charter still preserved.)

The "Finally" of Ancient Charges makes it the duty to appeal to the

lodge, and listen to advice of Master and fellows.

The Master acts as judge ... to inflict fines, pardon faults, "always taking the voice of the honorable company ..."—Aberdeen Lodge Statutes, 1670; 2 Gould, 48.

"We, the Master and Wardens, ... have subscribed this by order of the

lodge.—Letter, December, 1677; Hist. Can.-Kilwin., 45.
"The Master of a particular lodge has the right and authority of calling

his lodge ... at pleasure ..."—Harris' Consts., 1798, 45.

These be thee Chardges ... that longith to ev'y true Mason to keepe

both mrs and ffellowes.—MS. roll, 1583.

"We, the Master and Wardens ... have subscribed this by order of the lodge."-Letter Dec., 1677; Hist. Can. Kilwin., 45.

29. The Master must have been a Warden [except in the formation of a new lodge, or when no Past Master or Past Warden who is competent and willing to serve is a member of the lodge.

Proofs.—This is another old usage, recognized by the fathers, and gen-

erally accepted by the craft.

The brother so elected (to be Master) must have served as a Warden ... it is one of the written landmarks ... in the Old Charges ... the only exceptions allowed are (in the old law): "In case of a new lodge or where, for good reasons, no one can be found ... who has previously served as Warden."-Mitch. Com. L., 224. .

The Master, or in his absence a proper person, shall open the lodge ...

-Alcott's Disq'n, 1772, 208.

No brother can be a Warden until he has passed the part of a Fellow Craft [then the grade we now call Master Mason]; nor a Master until he has acted as a Warden, nor Grand Warden until he has been Master of a lodge, nor Grand Master unless he has been a Fellow Craft [i. e., Master Mason].—Ancient Charges, iv.

30. The Master, by virtue of his office, represents his lodge in Grand Lodge.

Proofs.—Const. Mass., 1798, 45.

Said officers are their representatives ... -Old Reg., x, xii.

[Formerly every Mason had a right to be present in Grand Lodge, but becoming too numerous that body became a representative body, and the Master (and Wardens) were constituted the representatives. In many jurisdictions the Master only represents the lodge, so that as to him it is the universal custom, perhaps without exception, and has become a fixed law or usage, and is a very old one. How old would be difficult to tell.]

The Master and Wardens, or their representatives, shall attend every ... quarterly communication at expense of the lodge.—Alcott's Disq'n, 1772,

The Grand Lodge is formed by the Masters . . . — Ahi. Rez. Pa., 1783, p. 58; Reg. xii, 1721.

See proofs under 20. Top of page 309.

31. The Master of a lodge becomes "Past Master" at the

close of his official term—[that is, has "passed the chair" by serving his term].

PROOFS.—None but a Master Mason who has passed the chair in some regular lodge . . . can be admitted as proxy, etc.—Ahi. Rez. Pa., 1783, 83.

A Past Master is one who has presided for twelve months over a lodge ... The French employ Maitre passe... one who has retired from the chair at the expiration of his term...—Mack. Cyclo, 562.

From Solomon to close of 17th century not a line on subject of P. M's. 1717, when present system was instituted, the words Past Master or P. M.º were no where used, but one Regulation provided in absence of the Master the last Past Master should preside.—Mitch. Com. Law, 338. The P. M.º originated with this spurious lodge (of some malcontents who withdrew their allegiance from Gr. L.... and uniting themselves with expelled and suspended Masons...).—Ibid., 339. The P. M.° is a modern innovation.— Ibid, 341.

[It must be evident to all that if a Master, while serving at the head of the lodge, he is a Past Master only after such service, and mere mummery

or pretense can not make him so.]

32. The Wardens of a lodge must be Master Masons.

PROOFS.—See Ancient Charge, iv under 29. The reason is clear and conclusive without such convincing authority for old usage, for otherwise he could not serve when the lodge was opened on the 3d o.

33. In the absence of the Master, the Senior Warden performs his duties. In the absence of both, the Junior Warden acts. If all are absent, the Junior Past Master of the lodge who is present and a member thereof, may preside at a stated or lawfully called communication.

PROOFS.—By the General Regulations...the Master or Wardens of a lodge may ... send a brother (qualified as the rule requires) to wear their jewels ... - Ahi. Rez., 1783, 105. She S. W. succeeds to all the duties of the Master . . . and in his absence upon the J. W., even although a former Master be present ... If none of the officers be present, nor any former Master, to take the chair, the members, according to seniority and merit, shall fill the places of the absent officers.—Ahi. Rez, 1783, 55; Const. Mass.,

1798, 46; Va., 1818, 37; Ky., 1808, 53.

In case of sickness, death or necessary absence of the Master, the Senior Warden shall act as Master pro tempore, if no brother is present who has been Master of that Lodge before; for in that case the absent Master's authority reverts to the last Master then present, though he can not act until the said Senior Warden has once congregated the lodge, or, in his absence, the Junior Warden.—Gen. Reg. ii, 1721. [Congregate is to bring into one place; to meet; hence a by-law fixes the time for a "stated meeting," which brings the members in one place, as does a "call" by the Master or Warden. Not till the lodge is so congregated can a P. M. act.]—H.

By the oath of entry the Warden is acknowledged "as the next in power to the Master," and in the absence of the latter he possesses similar au-

¹ A lodge is opened on either degree, not in it, because the degrees are represented as steps successively higher, hence the lodge is "on" the first, second or third step of Masonry.

thority, and to continue in office according to the will of the company.-Aberdeen Statutes, 1670, 2 Gould, 48.

The Master, or in his absence a proper person, shall open the lodge.-

Alcott's Disq'n, 1772, p. 208.

The Warden to act ... subject to the lodge.—Schaw's Statutes, 1599; 2 Gould, 9.

He [the Warden] shall carefully oversee the work in the Master's ab-

sence.-Ancient Charges, v.

And lykways we all protest, by the oath we have made at our entrie, to own the Warden of our lodge as the next man in power to the Maister, and in the Maister's absence he is full Maister .- From "Mark Book" of Aberdeen Lodge, Scotland, 1670 (Mack. Cyclo., 866).

34. Officers of a lodge, Grand or Subordinate, hold their offices until their successors are lawfully chosen and inducted into office, or become lawfully disqualified.

Proofs.—On November 25, 1723, it was agreed that if a Master of a particular lodge is deposed or demits,...etc.—2 Digest, Mitchell, 302.

Very many of the old Constitutions authorize the Master to be tried or nit. Why not?

demit.

.. Authority to continue in office according to the will of the company.

-Aberdeen Stat., 1670; 2 Gould, 48.

This law and usage is general—too old to know when it originated and must therefore be landmark.

CANDIDATES.

35. A Mason is not to urge any person to become a candidate for the mysteries of Masonry, for every candidate must offer himself voluntarily and unsolicited.

Proofs.—Oliver's 3rd Landmark puts this in strong language. Article 6, Gothic Constitutions, prescribe that the Master shall exercise especial care that none be admitted as "hyse prentyse" (E. A.) that shall work prejudice.

The Grand Lodge of England made it a law, that every person who offers himself for initiation shall declare that he had not been biased by solicitation or unworthy motive; and a form to this effect is prescribed in nearly all the Manuals of to-day. It is the general usage, of very old standing, and a good rule as well.

> "Yn thys curyus craft, alle and som, That longuth to a maystur mason. -Gothic Const., Art. 10 (1390).

Unbiased by friends and uninfluenced by unworthy motives, I freely and voluntarily offer myself.—Trewman's Principles, 1777, 44; Mass.

In many forms of petition now in use the applicant is required to say "uninfluenced," etc. The questions put to a candidate before preparation are to the same effect —See Monitors. See charge of E. A.—Monitors.

The usage is general, and has been for a time beyond our ken.

36. Every candidate must be a man, free born, of mature and

discreet age, of good morals and report, possessed of intelligence, and having the natural use of his limbs that will enable him to receive and impart Craft mysteries.

Proofs.—Compare with Landmarks of Oliver, 4; Mackey, 18; Simons, 4; Morris, 6; Lockwood, 10.

That he no bondemon prentys make.—Gothic Const., Art. 4, 1390.

Free born, and of mature and descreet age, no bondman, no woman, no immoral or scandalous man.—Anct. Chgs. iii.

By olde tyme wryten y fynde,
That the prentes schuld be of gentyl kynde.
—Gothic Const., Art. 4.

So that the prentes be of lawful blod...
That he have hys lymes hole alle y-fere...
To the Craft hyt were gret schame,
To make an halt mon and a lame...
A maymed mon he hath no myght,
Ye mowe hyt knowe long yer nyght.
—Gothic Const., Art. 5.

Unless he be a perfect youth, having no maim or defect in his body that may render him incapable of learning the art...descended from honest parents.—Anct. Chgs. iv.

Secondly...That the Apprentice be free born and of limbs whole as a man ought to be, and no bastard...Thirdly...Able in all degrees, free born, of good kindred, true, and no bondsman, and that he have his right limbs...—MS. 1685–1689.

Able body, honest parentage, good reputations and an observer of the laws of the land.—Reg. 2, 1663.

No person shall be accepted unless he be twenty-one years old or over.

—Reg. iv, 1663.

Of the age of twenty-one years.—Ahimen Rezon, Penn., p. 49, (1783). Not mature before they are twenty-one years of age.—Note to Const. Va., chap. vii, 1791.

The time at which by the civil laws the candidate is declared of lawful age and free to act for himself, which is twenty-one years.—Gr. Lodge of Ky., 1804.

[If he must be a man he is neither female nor minor].

"An old man in dotage or young man in nonage" was the prohibitory rule taught by Jeremy L. Cross over fifty years ago. Under the tongue of good report.—Jeremy L. Cross' Lectures.

Also, free born, of mature and discreet age, not under twenty-one years, of good report, of sufficient natural endowments, and the senses of a man... some visible way of acquiring an honest livelihood...not deformed or dismembered...but of hale and entire limbs...—Constitutions (Harris) Mass. 1798, p. 38.

Remarkable virtues have always recommended our candidates. No rank or station or condition of life entitles a person to be of our fraternity.

—Essays, 1724; 1 Quar. Cor. Rep't, 427.

The prentice be able of brythe, that is to saye free borne, and hole of lymes...come of good Kyndred, true and no bondman...that he have his right lyms...—MS., 1583.

Noe person shall be accepted a ffree mason except he be twenty one yeares or more.—G. L. MS. roll No. 2, Reprints L.: Qua. Cor.

... A perfect youth, having no maim or defect in his body that may

render him uncapable of learning the art .- Anc't. Chg., iv.

Absolute competency to conform literally to all the requirements of the ceremony of the several degrees of Ancient Craft Masonry fulfills the requirements of physical perfection in a candidate.—M.: Congress, 1893,

The heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant though he be lord of all—Gal. iv, 1.

It is held by some of late, that because the Grand Lodge of England has changed her law by striking out the word "born" (see Anc. Chg. iii), and inserted "men" in lieu thereof, a free man, though born in slavery, is eligible. England's proneness to innovations caused the schism in 1738 (happily reconciled by consolidation in 1813). In 1782 another change was made creating a Pro-Grand Master. These things do not affect the old laws and charges nor other jurisdictions of universal Masonry.

37. It is the internal qualifications of a man that recommend him to become a Mason.

Proofs.—Lecture 1°.

The internal qualifications are those which lie within his own bosom.—

Mack. Cyclo., 623.

"Out of the heart proceedeth murders," etc., and "with the heart man believeth unto righteousness." In other words, "truth in the inward parts," are all taught in the Great Light, therefore, Masonry teaches the identical words of this Landmark, corroborating it in many ways, such as by the Three Tenets, the Four Cardinal Virtues, the lessons on Faith, Hope, Love, etc.]

38. Careful inquiry into the physical, intellectual and moral fitness of every candidate for the mysteries of Masonry is indispensable.

Proofs.—Oliver says that an old Landmark required strict perquisition, and to proceed with great deliberation before balloting for a candidate. If the qualifications must be such as is shown by Landmark 36 to be required, careful inquiry is indispensable, that we "do the lord no pregedysse."—Art. 6, MS. 1390. And "Lest hyt wolde turn the Craft to schame."—Ibid.,

Art. 15.

"No man can be made, or admitted a member of a particular lodge, without previous notice one month before . . . in order to make due inquiry into the reputation and capacity."—Old Reg. (1721), v. One month's previous notice.-Freeman's Principles, 1777, 55.

Do you admit that no person can be regularly admitted ... without pre-

vious notice and due inquiry ... - Instal. Charges, very old

See Lockwood's "Landmark," 11; Oliver's, 4, 5. Proofs under 40.

39. Advancement to the degrees of Fellow Craft or Master Mason is not to be made without examination as to the qualifications of the candidate, and by unanimous consent.

Proofs —(See notes under 38, 40, 46)

It is an almost universal rule of modern constitutions of Masonry, that an examination upon ... the preceding degree shall be required ... seems to have been duly appreciated from the earliest times . . . - Mack. Cyclo., 267.

If the Master have an Apprentice he shall thoroughly teach him so that he may properly understand his craft.—York Const., 926. [So he will be qualified to advance in his profession.]

Applications for the Fellow Craft's degree were balloted for ... all F.

C.s voted ... for the Master's degree ... and ballot ... - Mitch. Com. L.,

- V. No Mason is to be made or member admitted ... without one month's previous notice and due inquiry into his character.—Instal. of Master, Trewman's Princ'l, 1777, 55.
- 40. Unanimous consent of the lodge, expressed by ballot, is essential before initiation, or admission to affiliation.

Proofs.—This is, to-day, a rule so universal, and so firmly established, that even in the absence of any old laws it may be called a "Landmark" without straining. See proofs under 38, 46.

See Oliver's 5th "Landmark;' Lockwood's 11th; Simons' 9th.

"No man can be entered...or admitted to be a member... without unanimous consent...in their own prudent way. This is inherent privilege . . . "-Reg. vi (1721).

That Master or Fellow take no allowance to be made a Mason with-

out the assent of his fellows ... "-MS., 1685-1689.

No Master receive an Apprentice without informing the Warden of his

lodge.—Schaw's Statutes, 1598; 2 Gould, 6.

"Noe Fellow ... shall ... call or hold Assemblys to make any masons free: Not acquainting the," etc.—Aulwick L., 1701. "... Without consent of seaven of the Society at least."—Shadwell L. Orders, Buchanan MS., etc., 3 Gould, 15. This does not argue that it shall not be unanimous, but may mean that not less than seven shall be present and all consent.

"No Master or Fellow-of-Craft to be received or admitted except in presence of six Masters and two Entered Apprentices...the date thereof being orderly booked [previous notice].—Schaw's Stat., 1598; 2 Gould, 6.

... Immediately join themselves to such other lodge ... with unanimous consent ... Reg., 1721.

Ballots for admission to membership or for the mysteries were taken .. all ... were privileged ... nay more, were required to vote ... - Mitch. Com. L., 343.

No brother shall be admitted a member ... until ... duly proposed ...

be balloted for ... - Alcott's Disq, 1772, 205.

INDIVIDUAL MASONS.

41. A Mason must be a good man and true, conforming to the laws of justice and virtue, called "the moral law."1

PROOFS .- Compare with "Landmarks" of Mackey, 21; Morris, 3; Si-

mons, 2; Lockwood, 3, 4. See also under Landmarks 2, 36.
"A Mason is oblig'd, by his Tenure, to obey the Moral Law...a good man and true, or men of honor and honesty .- Ancient Charges, I.

"And gaf hyt the name of masonry,
For the moste oneste craft of alle."—Lines 24, 25, Hic. Incip. Const. (1390).
"And spare, nowther for love ny drede,

Of nowther partys to take no mede [reward]; Of lord ny fellow, whether he be,

Of hem thou take no maner of fe;

And as a jugge stonde upryght, And thenne thou dost to bothe good rygth."—Art. 1, Gothic Const.

"He will never be an irreligious libertine" [that is, a free-thinker, skeptic or rejector of the customs and decencies of life] .- Ancient Charges, I.

¹ Law, moral, is the will of God concerning the character and conduct of responsible beings. Keep at least within the compass of moral actions.-Hooker.

.. A good man and true, and strictly to obey the moral law.—Instal. of Master.

"Good and true Men."-Ancient Charges, iii.

"... The skylle of becommynge gude and parfyghte wythouten holpynges of fere and hope ..."-MS. found by John Locke, 1422-1450, about. "That ye shall be true men to God and the holy church."—MS, 1687.

Dr. George Oliver's "Star in the East," p. 22, says: "The Ancient Constitutions, Charges, etc., were framed about the year 926, from MSS. in Greek, Latin, French and other languages. ... From these charges I select the following:

'A Mason is to study the moral law as contained in the Sacred Code; to

consider it as the unerring standard of truth and justice."

To be honest, faithful...and upright.—The Schaw Statutes, 1598; 2

Gould, 5.

Sabbath-breakers, habitual swearers, unclean persons and drunkards were severely punished.—Statutes, 1670; 2 Gould, 50.

No Mason shall vse no leachery nor be no bawde ... - MS., 1583.

No Mason shall bee a Thiefe or accessory ... -MS., 1660.

... For to keep the commandments ten ... - Regins MS., 1390.

42. Every Mason must be obedient to the laws of the country in which he lives or sojourns.

Proofs.—Compare with Landmarks of Morris, 4; Simons, 3; Lock-

wood, 4.

A Mason is a peaceful subject to the civil powers, wherever he resides or works, and is never to be concerned in plots or conspiracies against the peace and welfare of the nation.—Ancient Charges, ii (1721).

Ye be true leidge men to ye King.—MS. roll, 1687.
"Ye shall be true to the King and the Master ye serve and the fellowship whereof ye are admitted."—Ancient Charges from old MS. (1429), Const Mass. (Harris), 1798, p. 14.

He must swear to be true to his lord the King.—Substance of lines

429-433, Point 14, Plures Const.—(1390.) Ye shall be true liege men to the King... without... falsehood.—MS. (1685-1689), in possession of Lodge of Antiquity, London, Harris' Const.

An observer of the laws of the land.—Gen. Reg., 1663, Henry Jermyn,

Earl of St. Albans G. M., Harris' Consts., 1798, p. 29.

A quiet and peaceful subject . . . not to countenance disloyalty or rebel-

lion, etc.—Charge to E. A.

Do you promise to conform to the laws of the country, ... respect magistrates, not to be concerned in plots or conspiracies ... but patiently submit to the decisions of law ...—Instal. Chg. of a Master, very old.

Also that ye be true leage men to the King ... without treason or any

other falsehood ... no treachery.—MS. roll, 1583.

You be true men to the King without any treason ... -MS. 1660.

An observer of the laws of the Land.—Reg. 2, 1663.

43. No brother can recognize any one as a Mason until after strict trial or lawful information.

PROOFS .- Personally known or vouched for .- New Reg , iv. Examined by committee. Reg. xxv, 1721; Anct. Chgs., 6.

No visitor shall be received ... without due examination, and producing proper vouchers ... - Instal. of Master.

If a stranger ... you are cautiously to examine him ... agreeable to the forms established among Masons ... - Harris' No. 2 MS.

Due examination of strangers ... should be entrusted only to the most

skillful . . . — Mack. Cyclo., 267.

All who have as Masons to give incontestable proof that they were made in a just and legally constituted lodge of A. F. and A. Ms.-Mitch. Com. L., 346.

44. A Mason is bound to use the utmost caution when in the presence of strangers or profanes, that no sign, token or word to which they may not be entitled shall be discovered by them.

Proofs.—See Ancient Charges, 6.

... Not being overseen or overheard ... Cautious in your words and carriage, that the most penetrating may not be able to discover or find out what is not proper ... - Harris' No. 2 MS.

45. Every Mason ought to belong to some regular lodge, attend its meetings, and share its burdens.

PROOFS.—The above words were taken from this list and adopted as a

conclusion of the Fraternal Congress, August, 1893.

In 1682 it was "agreed that for the sake of their funds for the poor, each Journeyman who does not belong to the lodge shall pay the sum of 12s (Scots) per annum..."—2 Gould, 22.

See Mackey's 9th Landmark.

Every brother ought to belong to one [lodge]...In ancient times no Master or Fellow could be absent from it, especially when warned to appear.—Anct. Chgs. (1721), iii.

Do you promise a regular attendance...on receiving proper notice, and

pay attention to the duties of Masonry...—Instal. Chge., very old.

Brethren separated must immediately join themselves to some other

lodge...—Gen. Reg., viii (1721).

By-laws of Canongate Kilwinning Lodge (1739) were "modified from 1s. stg., for each absent member, to 6d. stg., and no excuse to be admitted unless being out of the Kingdom."—Hist. Can. Kil., 39.

The Master Masons and Entered Prentices...vow and agree to own the lodge on all occasions, unless prevented by sickness, as they did on their entry, and on receiving the Mason Word.-Statutes Lodge of Aberdeen, 1670; 2 Gould, p. 48.

You promise to be...faithful to your lodge...pay attention to all duties

of Masonry . . . - Instal'n of Master.

... They must immediately join themselves to other lodge. Every visiting brother being a member of a regular lodge.—Alcott's Disq'n., 1772, 206. See notes under 51.

46. A brother is not to be admitted to lodge membership without certificate [of demit], due notice and inquiry.

Proofs.—See notes under 40.

Such as were to be admitted Master Masons or Masters of work, should be examined whether they be able of cunning to serve...(about A. D. 930. -Hist. Introd., Andmon's Consts).

[These are so evidently essential and generally the rule that in the

absence of a hint of such an ancient custom it would seem to be law. Just what the examination, qualification or notice is should be determined by laws and good usage, but the rule, in a general way, may safely be considered very old].

Compare with Oliver's 8th Landmark.

No apprentice shall be made "brother and fellow-in-craft" unless... sufficient trial has been made of his worthiness, qualification and skill.— Schaw's Statutes, 1598; 2 Gould, 6.

"Such as were admitted...should be examined whether they be able

and cunning."—(Ashmole, 1441-1483), Harris' Antiq., 12.

Apprentices were to be taught by their Intenders [proposers or recommenders], and interrogated at public meetings [examined in open lodge?]

Stats. Aberdeen Lodge, 1670; 2 Gould, 49.

"No person...shall be admitted into any lodge or assembly until he has brought a certificate from the lodge that accepted him..." (Lodge receiving) shall give an account of all such acceptations at every General Assem-

bly."—Reg. 3, 1663.

1653.—The Lodge of Edinburg elected a "joining member," who had been "entered and past in the Lodge of Linlithgow," to be a "brother and fellow of their companie;" in witness whereof all "set their hands or

marks."-2 Gould, 29.

1636.—One was admitted to membership as a fellow and brother of the Craft, and another as a "fellow of Craft in among the Mrs. off the lodge." 1638.—One was received as "fellow and brother."—2 Gould, 27.

Upon his answering such questions in the Apprentice and Fellow Craft part...to convince them he was qualified to be raised to the degree of Master Mason."—Hist. L. Can. Kil., McK. 29.

... Without previous notice and due inquiry into his character—Instal. Chge. (shall not be) admitted into any lodge or assembly, vntill he have brought a certificate ... - Gr. L. MS. roll No. 2, 17 cent., 29.

No man can be accepted a member...without previous notice one

month...in order to make due inquiries...-Old Reg., v.

47. Every Mason must patiently submit to the award of his brethren in lodge assembled, subject to appeal to Grand Lodge.

PROOFS.—Compare with "Landmarks" of Mackey, 13, 17; Simons, 13. "... To abide the award of Masters and Fellows."-MS. (1685-1689, Const. Mass, 24, (1798). "Every Master Mason and Fellow . . . shall stand to the correction of other Masters and Fellows to make him accord ... " -Ibid. ... And submit to the awards and resolutions of your brethren in lodge convened ... - Instal. of Master.

"Ageynus [against] thys ordyr he may not stryve."-Plures Constitu-

ciones, v.

If any of them do you injury, you must apply to your own or his lodge; and from thence you may appeal to the Grand Lodge, as has been the ancient and laudable conduct of our fathers in every nation . . . Patiently listen to the ... advice of Master and Fellows ... -Ancient Charges, vi, 6.

The brother found guilty shall stand to the award and determination of the lodge ... unless you carry it by appeal to the Grand Lodge.—Ancient

Charges, vi.

And if any do you injury you must appeal to your own or his lodge, and from thence you may appeal to the Grand Lodge.-Ancient Charges,

vi, 6. "Finally."

Thus differences that can not be accommodated privately, nor by a particular lodge ... if any brother thinks himself aggrieved ... he may appeal ... to the Grand Lodge.—Const. "Compiled religiously from the Old Landmarks," Harris, 1798, p. 61. Substantially the same are General Regula-

tions xiii and xviii (1721).

Should any...refuse to accept the award made they shall be liable to be deprived of the privileges of their lodge...—Schaw's Statutes (1598), 2 Gould, 7.

For to abyde the awarde of the mrs and fellowes...—MS. 1583.

Shall stand att the award of the Masters and ffellowes...-MS. 1660.

All the members [of Gr. L.] shall receive any appeal...—Reg. xxviii, 1721. Any brother...may appeal to the annual Grand Lodge.—Reg. xiii. See proofs under 16, 24.

48. A Mason must be true to his fellow; instruct, admonish, defend and assist, but never traduce or supplant him.

Proofs.—Also ye shall be true one to another, that is to say every Mason of the Craft that is Mason allowed, ye shall doe to him as ye would be done unto yourselfe; that none slander another behind his back to make him lose his good name...or answer another...reproachfully without a cause.—MS. 1685-1689.

A trwe medyater thou most nede be
To thy mayster, and thy felows fre.—Plures Const., 8.

Noe Masson nor ffollow shall supplant other of thoir work,
...Noe ffollow doo slander other behind his back...
...Ther schal no mayster supplante other.—Plures Const., (1730), Art. x.

Shall inform and teach him.—MS. roll, 1687.

The brothers shall treat the peculiarities of each other with the gentleness, decencie and forbearance he thinks due to his own.—Lat. MS., 1429.

Apprentices were to be taught by their introducers.—Statutes (1670)

Aberdeen Lodge; 2 Gould, 49.

Enterlyche [entirely] thenne that he hime teche.—Gothic Constitution, Art. 13.

And teche hym thenne hyt to amende, ...
With fayre wordes that God the hath lende ...
With swete wordes moresche hym love.—Plures Const., xi.

Doth Maconnes love eidther myghty lye? Ans. Yea...for gude menne and true, kennynge elther odher to be soch, doeth always love the more as they be more gude.—MS. John Lock, 1485-1509.

You shall not take in hand anything to do your brother or fellows any wrong... You shall not give any evil council to one another, neither reprove one another without just cause.—Harris' No. 2. MS.

Of hye honeste To every Mason, wherever he be; He schal not his fellows work deprave.—Regins MS. 1390, Art. 12.

You promise... to avoid private piques and quarrels... courteous to your brethren... propagate the knowledge of the mystic art according to our statute—Instal. Chge.

... Ye shall be true Eache on' to another. That is to say, to evy Masson of the Craft of Massonry... Ye shall do vnto them as ye would that they shoulde doe vnto yow...—MS. roll, 1583.

No mr nor fellowe shall not supplant any other of their work...—MS. 1583. ... Shall not put him out of it if he be able of cunning to end the worke.—Harleian MS., 1600.

Ye shall be true Eache on' to another... Ye shall do vnto them as ye would that they should doe vnto yow.—MS., 1583. MS. 1660 substantially the same.

That noe Mason schlander another behynde his backe...—MS. 1583. Noe Master nor ffellow shall supplant any other man of his worke... No ffellow slander another ... whereby he may Loose his good name ... —MS., 1660.

Neither envy nor censure . . . among Masons. No Brother is supplanted or put out of his work if he is capable to finish the same ... You are freely to give ... instructions ... - Harris' No. 2 MS. ... If he is in want, you are to relieve him or direct him how he may be relieved. You are to employ him or recommend him to be employed.—Ibid. Defending their characters . . . — Ibid.

Ther schal no mayster supplant other . . . —Plures' Const., 10.

Avoiding all wrangling and quarreling, all slander and backbiting, not permitting others to slander . . . but . . . defending his character and doing him all good offices . . . —Anc. Chg., vi, 6. See charge 3°.

[We are told our brethren will be as ready to give as we are to receive instruction; that we are to give warning that danger may be warded off; help, aid and assist him; never wrong him; deal justly, act honorably, and never speak evil of him "behind his back." This language (substantially) is familiar to every Mason]

49. A Mason shall not have unlawful knowledge of the wife, daughter, mother, sister or servant of his fellow.

PROOFS.—The vii of the "Commandments ten" referred to in the Gothic Constitutions, forbids in general what is here especially interdicted. Jeremy L. Cross taught this as a Landmark: "That a Mason must covenant not to have carnal knowledge of the wife, widow, mother, sister or daughter of his fellow, except it be in the holy bonds of wedlock."

Thou schal not by thy Maystress wyfely, Ny [nor] by thy fellows... No more thou woldest he dede by thyne.—Plures Const., 7.

Ye shall not take your fellows wife in villany, nor deflower his daugh-

ter or servant, nor put him to no disworship -MS., 1685-1689.

Also ye shall not take yor fellowes weif in vyllany, nor desire vngodly his daughter nor his servant, nor put him to no disworship ... - MS. roll, 1583.

Nor take your ffellowes wife violently nor desire his daughter vngodly

nor his servant in villaine ... -MS, 1660.

"Violate the chastity," sometimes heard, is modern, and detracts from the real intention of the law, as must be seen from the authorities cited.

50. A Mason should be diligent in business, and pay his just debts.

"Not slothful in business" is one of the rules of the Great Light which is our Masonic Chart, and this is the fourth of the "Commandments ten," for "Six days shalt thou labor..." "Owe no man anything but to love..." is another rule of the Mason's chart... Idleness is a sin against nature, and mental or bodily afflictions is the penalty.

> That the mason worche apon the werk day, Also trwly, as he con or may,... And trwly to labrun...—Plures Const., 2, 1390.

That no werke he undertake
But he conne bothe hyt ende and make.

—Gothic Const., Art 9.

Ther schal never won on other costage Fre hymself to no vantage, But every mon schal be lyche [alike, equally] fre Yn that costage [expense] so moste hyt be.—Plures Const., 9, 1390. Loke that thou pay wele every mon algate [always].

Ye shall truly pay for your meal or drinks whersoever ye goe, to table or bord; also, ye shall do no villainy there, whereby the Craft or Science may be slandered.—MS. 1685-1689.

All Masons shall work honestly on working days...be faithful...and honestly finish their work...and not desert...till the work is finished, etc.

-Anct. Chgs., v (1721).

Do you promise to...work diligently, live creditably, and act honorably

by all men?-Instal. of Master, very old

Also, that ye paye trewly for his meate and dryncke there wheare you goe...doe no villany...to lyve honestly and to paye his fellows trewly...

—MS. roll, 1583.

Pay truly ... - MS, 1660.

See explanation of Bee-hive, 3°.

Work diligently and act honorably.—Symbolic Lect.

51. Every Mason must obey lodge summons.

Proofs.—Every Master and Fellow shall come to the assemblie if it be within fifty miles of him, if he have any warning.—MS., 1685-1689.

But that ye schullen hym constrayne
For to apere whersever ye wylle.

—Plures Const., 10, 1390.

All members of the Mason Craft must attend the meetings when lawfully warned under "the pane of ten pounds."—Schaw's Statutes, 1598; 2 Gould, p. 7.

.. Being duly cited to appear (if he) prove rebel and will not attend, the lodge shall determine against him...and (he) shall no more use his

craft.—MS., very old in 1718, quoted in 2 Harris', 1798, 13

That every Mason when he is warned...and shall not come to the place appoynted, except he have a reasonable cause...nott soe doing he shall pay 6s. 8d.—Lodge at Aulwick. When warned by a summons, etc.—Swalwill Lodge penal orders; 3 Gould, 14.

Every Mr. and fellowe shall come to the assembly if that it be within

fyftie myles about him, if he have any warning...-MS., 1583.

Every master and fellow shall come to the Assembly...if he have warning or else stand to the award of masters and fellowes.—MS., 1660.

You must not upon any excuse whatsoever, except real sickness or disability of body, absent yourself...if it be within fifty miles...if you have a letter or any other notice to signify to you the time and place where held.—Harris' No. 2 MS., 13.

No master or fellow could be absent, especially when warned to appear.—Anct. Chgs. (1721), iii.

See proofs under 45.

52. The only penalties known to Masonry are fines, reprimand, suspension for a definite period and expulsion.

Proofs.—It can not be denied that the records of old lodges show that it was formerly a common custom to impose fines for violation of the rules.

Mack. Cyclo., 277. [Reprimand is private or in open lodge]. Submittinge yorselfe to ye censure of yor ffellows wherein yow have erred.—No. 2 MS. roll, 17th cent.

If a member break any rule...the Master with the majority...if they think fit, shall lay a fine...—Alcott's Dis'qn., 1772, 217.

See proofs under Landmarks 5, 45, 51.

... To inflict fines, pardon faults... by voice of the honorable company.

... Mal-contents who, if they are further rebellious shall be expelled...

-Aberdeen Lodge Statutes, 1670; 2 Gould, 48.

... Empowered to exclude and expel...all who persist in disobeying the Ancient Statutes...and other regulations to be hereafter made.—Schaw's Statutes, 1599; 2 Gould, 10.

53. A Mason can not be disciplined without having an opportunity to be heard in his own defense, unless he absconds or can not be reached by notice.

PROOFS.—A usage universal and a principle of justice so evident that it needs no argument or proof.

... That appellant may be heard and the affair... decided.—Reg. xxviii, 1721.

SEPULTURE.

54. Every [affiliated] Master Mason is entitled to burial with Masonic [ceremonies and] honors.

Proofs.—No Mason can be interred with the formalities of the Order unless...he has been advanced to the Third degree.—Harris' Consts., 1798, p. 99.

"From time immemorial it has been the established custom among the Fraternity...to deposit his remains with the usual formalities."—Harris' Consts., 1798, p. 109.

Consts., 1798, p. 109.
The Wrights (or Masons) shall, at their own cost, provide a benefiting

funeral for their brother of the Craft.—Statutes 1475; 2 Gould 21.

Tradition informs us that King Solomon gave due honors to a distin-

guished Craftsman in a grand Masonic burial.—3°

[When the burial service was first admitted is uncertain, but in 1742 a caricature of a funeral procession of the "Scald Miserable Masons" was published, evidencing that such ceremonies were in vogue. In 1754 official notice of a funeral procession was made.]

None but Master Masons who are members of a lodge or registered...

are entitled to Masonic burial.-Drummond's Text Book, 88.

It is the duty of [his]...or of the nearest lodge to perform the usual Masonic Burial Service.—Ibid.

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GRAND OFFICERS FROM THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND LODGE.

[Those marked * are dead; number after name is number of Lodge to which they belonged.]

YEAR.	GRAND MASTER,	DEPUTY GRAND MASTER,	GRAND SENIOR WARDEN. GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN.	GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN.	GRAND SECRETARY.
1800—Sent 1800—Oct. 1800-1 1801-2	*J. Hawkins, President of (3) *J. Morrison, Chairman of (1) *Wm. Murray	Convention. Convention. Alex. MacGregor. John Jordan, Jr.	Simon AdamsSimon Adams	Carey L. Clarke Thomas Tunstall Thomas Tunstall	*James Russell. *Thomas Bodley. *Daniel Bradford.
1803-4-5 1805-6-5 1806-7-5 1806-7-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-8-	*John Jordan, Jr. 1 *George M. Bibb 1 George M. Bibb 1 George M. Bibb 1 George M. Bibb 1	Thomas Tunstall John Rowan John Jordan, Jr. John Jordan, Jr. John Allen.	Jonathan Taylor Jonathan Taylor Willis A. Lee James Moore	James Moore Thomas Speed Philip Barbour John Simpson Richard Ferguson	Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford.
1808-9. 1800-10. 1810-11. 1812-13.	*John Allen 4 John Allen 4 John Allen 4 *Joseph H. Daviess 1 *Anthony Butler 17	John Simpson. John Simpson. John Simpson. Anthony Butler. James Moore.	Carey L. Clarke Wm. B. Fleming Wm. B. Fleming Wm. B. Fleming Nm. B. Fleming	Geo. W. Botts Richard Ferguson Richard Ferguson Maurice Langhorne John Evans, Jr.	Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford.
1813-14 1814-15 1816-17 1817-18	*James Moore 5 *Daniel Bradford 1 *Wm. H. Richardson 20 Wm. H. Richardson 20	James Moore Daniel Bradford Wm. H. Richardson John Willett Thomas Bodley.	Nicholas Warfield Wm. H. Richardson John Willett Thomas Bodley James G. Birney	James Overton	Daniel Bradford. *James G. Trotter. James G. Trotter. James G. Trotter. *Robert S. Todd.
1815-19 1819-20 1820-21 1821-22.	*Thomas Bodley 1 *Samuel H. Woodson 1 *Henry Clay 1 *J. McKinney, Jr. 41 *David G. Cowan 28	James W. Denny Daniel Bradford. David G. Cowan. David G. Cowan. Asa K. Lewis	David G. Cowan John McKinney, Jr. John McKinney, Jr. Asa K. Lewis John Speed Smith.	S. H. Woodson Asa K. Lewis Asa K. Lewis John Speed Smith Edward Tyler, Jr.	*Thomas T. Barr. Thomas T. Barr. *Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford.
1823-24 1824-25 1825-26 1826-27	*Asa K. Lewis. 20 *John Speed Smith. 25 *Thomas H. Bradford. 14 *Samuel Daviess. 53 *Daniel Breck. 25	John Speed Smith	Samuel Daviess. Thomas H. Bradford Daniel Breck Robert Johnston Wm. W. Southgate	Wm. G. Hunt Dabney C. Cosby Robert Johnston Wm. W. Southgate John M. McCalla	Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford. Daniel Bradford.

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From 1800 to 1893.

* Dead; n. r., no return. Number does not fix rank, see date of charter and remarks.

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No.	NAME OF LODGE.	Aug. 1893	ORIGINAL CHARTER,	REVOKED OR ARRESTED.	Remarks.
ı	Lexington	72	By Virginia		1800, Sept. 8, united in organizing the Gr. Lodge.
2	Paris*		By Virginia		1800, Sept. 8, united in organizing the Gr. Lodge. 1803, Oct. 14, surrendered.
3	Paris		1809, Aug. 31.	1804, Mar. 21.	See No. 16.
4	Hiram	80	By Virginia		1800, Sept. S, united in organizing the Gr. Lodge.
4	Frankfort*				Nos. 4 and 532. Charter exchanged for old chart'r of Hiram No. 4, Novem-
5	Solomons		20000000000000000000000000000000000000		ganizing the Gr. Lodge, being Abraham U.D.from Virginia.
6	Washington*		1801, April 5.	1806, Oct. 7.	1803, second charter.
6	Duvall	40	1874, Oct. 22.		DESCRIPTION NEWSFILM OF STREET STREET
7	Harmony*(Miss.)		1801, Oct. 16.	••••	1814, Sept. 2, surrendered
8	Abraham		1886, Dec. 27.	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	charter. See also No. 33. Middletown, 1803, removed to Louisville. 1886, Dec. 26, consolidated with Nos. 51, 106, and 113.
9	Jerusalem	128	1804, Sept. 19.		3.,,
10	Unity*		1805, Sept. 17.	1814, Sept. 1.	
11	St. Johns*	••••	1805, Sept. 17.	1823, Aug. 28.	Indiadiatita alamada N. C.
13	Cincinnati*(Ohio)		1806, Mar. 19.	1812, June 24.	Jurisdicti'n claimed by N. C. 1812, Aug. 27, surrendered and "permitted to demit" to join Gr. Lodge of Ohio.
14	Mt. Vernon	20	1807, Aug. 27.		
15	Vincennes*(Ind)		1809, Aug. 31.		1818, Jany. 13, surrendered charter. Now No. 1 on Indiana register.
16	Paris Union*] 2012 2012 - 12 - 14	••••••••••	1871, Oct. 19, name changed to Paris No. 2.
17	Russellville	47	1809, Aug. 31.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1831, Aug. 12, surrendered.
18	St. Andrews	64	1845, Aug. 28.		
19	washington*		1811, Aug. 29.	1824, Aug. 31.	1847, reinstated. 1860, sur- rendered.
20	Winchester	46	1812, Aug. 27.		Restored Aug. 1837.
21	Madison*(Miss.)				Charter revoked.
22	Daviess*		1812, Aug. 29. 1852, Sept. 2. 1855, as of 1812.		1837, burned. 1886, June, sur- rendered. See No. 107.
23	Montgomery*		1S13, Aug. 26.		1878, surrendered charter.
23	Mt. Sterling	50	1878, Oct. 25.		
24	Alien	48 88	1813, Aug. 26.	1834, Aug	Restored Sept. 1841.
25 26	Richmond		1813, Aug. 26.	1834, Aug	Restored Aug. 1839.
200	Maysville*			A a.	1830, Aug. 13, surrendered. 1883, books given No. 52.
28	Franklin*		1S14, Aug. 31. 1S14, Nov. 21.	1864 Oct 27.	
28	Franklin		1867, Oct. 24	1004, Oct. 20.	1871, No. 396 merged into it.
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Simpson* 1815, Aug. 31 1819, Nov. 30 1823, Aug. 28 1819, Nov. 30 1823, Aug. 28 1818, Aug. 26 1818, Aug. 26 1818, Aug. 26 1818, Aug. 26 1818, Aug. 27 1821, Aug. 28 1821, Aug. 27 1821, Aug. 30 1	29					charter. Became No. 4, now No. 2 on Indiana reg- ister.
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Harmony* (Miss)	31	Simpson*	1	1815. Aug. 21.		1827. Destroyed by fire.
Harmony* (Miss.) 1816, Aug. 26 1818, Aug. 25, surfendere charter. ow No. 1 o Mississipi register. 1824, dropped. 1825, Gr. L of Illinois recognized. 1824, dropped. 1825, Gr. L of Illinois recognized. 1825, Gr. L of Illinois recognized. 1825, Gr. L of Illinois recognized. 1826, Aug. 26 1826, Aug. 26 1826, Aug. 26 1826, Aug. 27, "stricken from the charter. Now No. 3 of Indiana register. 1824, Aug. 27, "stricken from the charter. Now No. 3 of Indiana register. 1826, Aug. 27, 1827, Aug. 27, 1821, Aug. 27, 1821, Aug. 27, 1821, Aug. 27, 1821, Aug. 28, 1822, Aug. 29, 1823, Aug. 29, 1824, Aug. 28, 1824, Aug. 29, 1824, Aug. 28, 1824, Aug. 28, 1824, Aug. 28, 1824, Aug. 29, 1824, Aug. 29	32	St. Paul or In'pend'ce*		1816, Aug. 26.	1819, Nov. 30.	D-1 1D 0
Lawrence* (III.) 1816, Aug. 28 1824, dropped. 1825, Gr. II. of Illinois recognized. 1816, Aug. 26 1828, surrendered charter. 1871, Janv. 13, surrendered charter. 1872, Janv. 13, surrendered charter. 1874, No. 225 blend ed with it. 1875, No. 225 blend ed with it. 1876, Aug. 27 1816, Aug. 27 1816, Aug. 27 1817, Aug. 27 1817, Aug. 27 1818, Janv. 13, surrendered charter. 1819, Gropped. No. 1310 1817, Aug. 27 1821, Aug. 20 1818, Janv. 13, surrendered charter. 1819, Janv. 13, surrendere	33	Harmony*(Miss.)		1816, Aug. 26.	1023, Aug. 20.	1818, Aug. 25, surrendered charter. ow No. 1 on
1816, Aug. 26		-	1			of Illinois recognized.
Hopkinsville	35 36	Murray*		1816, Aug. 26. 1816, Aug. 26.		1828, surrendered charter. 1817, Jany. 13, surrendered charter. Now No. 3 on
Potosi*				1840, Sept. 2.		1834, Aug. 27, "stricken from roll." 1857, No. 225 blend- ed with it.
Amity	38	Potosi*(Mo.)		1816, Aug. 26.	1831, Sept. 1.	1819, dropped. No. 131 on
Landmark 45 1517, Aug. 27 1521, Aug. 30, surrendered Melchesideck Lodge, of Salem* (Ind.) 1517, Aug. 27 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 5 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 4 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 4 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered Charter. Now No. 6 of Indiana register. 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered 1518, Jany. 13, surrendered 1518, Ja		Amity	41	1817, Aug. 27.		Successor to No. 10, defunct
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Feliciana* (I.a.) 1817, Aug. 27. 1832, Aug. 29. 1834, Aug. 28. 1844, Aug. 28. 1845, Sept. 2. 1835, Sept. 1. 1836, Dec. 27, consolidated with Nos. 8, 106, and 113. 1856, Dec. 27, consolidated with Nos. 8, 106, and 113. 1856, Dec. 1, name changed to Confidence. 1856, Consolidated with Nos. 8, 106, and 113. 1856, Dec. 1, name changed to Confidence. See No. 28. 1856, Aug. 19. 1856, Aug. 28. 1856, Aug. 29. 1856, Aug.	44	Lawrenceburg* (Ind.)		1817, Aug. 27.		1818, Jany. 13, surrendered charter. Now No. 4 on
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1844, Aug. 28.						1834. Gr. L. advised it to join Gr. L. of Louisiana.
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Same	52	Philips*		1818, Sept. 1.		1818, Dec. 1, name changed
Warren		Warren*		1919 Sant		
53 Warren	23	Warren		1856		
Greensburg* 1818, Sept. 1. 1834, Aug. 19. 1856, Aug. 27. 1854, restored, and name changed to Bath. See No. 141. 1819, Sept. 30. 1847, Sept. 2. 1848, restored. 1820, Aug. 28. 1820, Aug. 28. 1822, Aug. 26, surrendered. 1843, restored. 1820, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 1820, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 1820, Aug. 29. 1836, Aug. 30. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 1820, Aug. 29. 1836, Aug. 30. 1843, Aug. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 1820, Aug. 29. 1834, Aug. 27. 1843, Aug., name changed to Dougherty. 1820, Aug. 30. 1835, Sept. 1843, Aug., name changed to Dougherty; burn'd 1884, Reappears 1848. 1820, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 27. 1820, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 27. 1820, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 29. 1	53		64	1888, Oct. 18.	,3,,	
54 Greensburg 24 1888, Oct. 18. 1834, Aug. 27. 1854, restored, and name changed to Bath. See 55 Bath 58 1819, Sept. 3. 1847, Sept. 2. 1854, restored, and name changed to Bath. See 56 Burlington* 1819, Sept. 30. 1847, Sept. 2. Surrendered August, 1830. 59 Benevolent* 6 1819, Sept. 30. 1893, Oct. 17. Surrendered August, 1830. 59 Arkansas* (Ark.) 1820, Aug. 28. 1820, Aug. 28. 1822, Aug. 26, surrendered. 60 Hart* 1820, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 61 Hart 28 1880, Oct. 17. 1848, restored. 1829, aug. 26, surrendered. 61 Hart* 1820, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 62 Aurora* 1820, Aug. 29. 1836, Aug. 30. 63 Lancaster* 1820, Aug. 29. 1836, Aug. 30. 64 Temple* 1820, Aug. 30. 1835, Sept. 65 Nicholas* 1820, Aug. 30. 1836, Aug. 27. 66	54	Greensburg*		1818, Sept. 1.		Resumed 1839.
1819, Aug. 31. 1834, Aug. 27. 1854, restored, and name changed to Bath. See No. 141.	E4	Greenshurg	24	1888 Oct 18	1550, Aug. 19.	
55 Bath 58	55				1834. Aug. 27.	1854, restored, and name
Burlington*	55		58			
57 Bloomfield 34 1819, Sept. 30. Surrendered August, 1830, 1848, restored. 59 Benevolent* 6 1819, Sept. 30. 1893, Oct. 17. 1828, restored. 59 Arkansas* (Ark.) 1820, Aug. 28. 1820, Aug. 28. 1822, Aug. 26, surrendered. 60 Lincoln 63 1820, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 61 Hart* 28 1888, Oct. 18. 1823, Aug. 30. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 62 Aurora* 1820, Aug. 28. 1823, Aug. 30. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 63 Lancaster* 1820, Aug. 29. 1836, Aug. 30. Property given No. 104. 64 Temple* 1820, Aug. 30. 1835, Sept. 1843, Aug., name changed to Dougherty. 65 Nicholas* 1820, Aug. 30. 1835, Sept. 1843, Aug., name changed to Dougherty; burn'd 1884 66 Morganfield 55 1820, Aug. 30. 1834, Aug. 27. Reappears 1848. 67 Breckinridge 36 1821, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. Reinstated Sept. 1840.		D		0 0 .		No. 141.
59 Benevolent* 6 1819, Sept. 30. 1893, Oct. 17. 1838, surrendered. 1843, restored. 60 Arkansas* (Ark.) 1820, Aug. 28. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned 1820, Aug. 28. 1820, Aug. 30. 1820, Aug. 30. 1820, Aug. 30. 1834, Aug. 30. 1835, Sept. 30. 1834, Aug. 30. 1834, Aug. 30. 1835, Sept. 30. 1834, Aug. 30. 1834,			150,000	0	1.00	Surrendered August, 1830.
59 Arkansas* (Ark.) 1820, Aug. 28 1822, Aug. 26, surrendered. 60 Lincoln 63 1820, Aug. 28 1834, Aug. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 61 Hart* 28 1820, Aug. 28 1823, Aug. 30 62 Aurora* 1820, Aug. 29 1836, Aug. 30 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned. 63 Lancaster* 1820, Aug. 29 1836, Aug. 30 Property given No. 104. 64 Temple* 1820, Aug. 30 1834, Aug. 27 Chart'r lodged with No. 109 65 Nicholas* 1820, Aug. 30 1835, Sept. 1843, Aug., name changed 65 Morganfield 55 1820, Aug. 30 1834, Aug. 27 Reappears 1843. 67 Breckinridge 36 1821, Aug. 28 1834, Aug. 30 Reinstated Sept. 1840.	58		6	1819, Sept. 30.	1893, Oct. 17.	1838, surrendered. 1843, re-
61 Hart* 1820, Aug. 1834, Aug. 1843, reinst'ed. 1886, burned 61 Hart. 1888, Oct. 18. 1820, Aug. 28. 1823, Aug. 30. Property given No. 104. 63 Lancaster* 1820, Aug. 29. 1836, Aug. 30. Property given No. 104. 64 Temple* 1820, Aug. 29. 1834, Aug. 27. Chart'r lodged with No. 100 65 Nicholas* 1820, Aug. 30. 1835, Sept. 1843, Aug., name changed 65 Dougherty 68 1884, Oct. 22. to Dougherty; burn'd 1884 66 Morganfield 55 1820, Aug. 30. 1834, Aug. 27. Reappears 1848. 67 Breckinridge 36 1821, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug. Reinstated Sept. 1840.	59	Arkansas*(Ark.)				1822, Aug. 26, surrendered.
61 Hart		Lincoln		-O A	- No	1942 mainstad 1994 hours
62 Aurora* 1820, Aug. 28. 1823, Aug. 30. 63 Lancaster* 1820, Aug. 29. 1836, Aug. 30. 64 Temple* 1820, Aug. 29. 1834, Aug. 27. 65 Nicholas* 1820, Aug. 30. 1834, Aug. 27. 65 Dougherty 68 1884, Oct. 22. 1835, Sept. 1843, Aug. name changed to Dougherty; burn'd 1884 66 Morganfield 55 1820, Aug. 30. 1834, Aug. 27. Reappears 1848. 67 Breckinridge 36 1821, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug Reinstated Sept. 1840.					1034, Aug	1043, reinst'ed. 1886, burned
63 Lancaster#			X2550		1823, Aug. 30.	
67 Breckinridge 36 1821, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug Reinstated Sept. 1840.		Lancaster#		1820, Aug. 29.		Property given No. 104.
67 Breckinridge 36 1821, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug Reinstated Sept. 1840.	64			1820, Aug. 29.	1834, Aug. 27.	Chart'r lodged with No. 109
67 Breckinridge 36 1821, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug Reinstated Sept. 1840.	65	Dougherty			1835, Sept	to Dougherty: burn'd 1984
67 Breckinridge 36 1821, Aug. 28. 1834, Aug Reinstated Sept. 1840.	66	Morganfield			1834, Aug. 27.	
68 Owen* 1821, Aug. 28	67	Breckinridge	36			Reinstated Sept. 1840.
	68	Owen*		1821, Aug. 28.	I	1836, Aug. 30, surrendered.

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69	Irvine*	ļ	1821, Aug. 28.		
70 71	Vesper*		1821, Aug. 28, 1821, Aug. 28.	1830, Sept. 3. 1834, Aug. 27 1878, Oct. 25.	Reappears 1841.
71	Vesper	25	1892, Oct. 19.		
72 73	Bowling Green		1821, Aug. 28. 1822, Aug. 26.		1830, Aug. 13, surrendered. 1834, surrendered. Restor'd
	Mayslick*	l	1822, Aug. 26.		1847. 1834, surrendered charter.
75	Trotter*	1:	1822, Aug. 26.		1825, dropped out.
70	Morrison	55	1822, Aug. 25.	1834	
74 75 76 77 78 79	Hanging Fork*		1824, Aug. 31.	1886, July 10.	1848, August 31, changed
78	Jonathan*				name to Jonathan.
	Washington	1 1	1824, Sept. 1.	1836, Aug 1866, Oct. 18.	1867, Oct. 24.
80	Augusta	10000	1849, new char.	1 2	Burned April, 1848.
18	Livingston*			1834, Aug. 27.	
81	Clinton	35	1826 Aug 20		appears as Salem.
	Jefferson*	41	1826, Aug. 20.		1829, Dec., surrendered.
84	Tyler*		1826, Aug. 30.		1834, surrendered charter.
85	Grant.	36	1827, Aug. 28.		Chart, lost 1845, and ren'wed
80	DeWitt Clinton Lebanon		1827, Aug. 28.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Drop'd 1834; reinstat'd 1838.
83 84 85 86 87 88	Green River	59 28	1827, Aug. 28.	1834, Aug	Surrend'd 1830; restor'd 1845 Restored 1847.
89	Greenup		1827, Aug. 28.		110000101110177
90	Anderson	71	1828, Aug. 26.		ł .
91	Athens*		1829, Aug. 31.	1835, Sept 1834, Aug. 27.	1
93	Flemingsburg*		1831. Aug. 20.	1034, Aug. 2/.	1834, surrendered charter.
94	Warsaw*		1831, Aug. 29.		Never reported; organiza- tion doubtful.
95 96	Good Faith	1	1825. Sept. 1.		1865, surrendered.
96	Columbia*		1866, Oct. 18.	1886, July 10.	3,
96 97	Columbia (111.)	21	1892, Oct. 19.		1842, surrendered charter to
98	Cowan*		1836, Aug. 30.	Defunct.	unite with G. L. Illinois.
99	Duvail*		1836, Aug. 30.	1855	
100	Boone*	••••	1837, Aug. 29.	1854	1850, worked U. D. as "Ben Franklin," and old charter given it. 1854, lost sight
	Flat Book #		San Aum an		of. No. 292, at same place.
101	Equality*(Ill.)		1837, Aug. 29.		1841, Sept. 1, surrendered. 1842, surrendered to unite with G. L. of Illinois.
103	Morrison*		1837, Aug. 29.		1854, dropped.
104	Lancaster*		1838, Aug. 29.	1889, Oct. 24. also 1891, Oct.9	311
104	Lancaster	23			_
105	Waidsboro*				Surrendered 1840, Sept. 1.
105	Murray	49			Revived under name of Murray.
106	Mount Moriah*	- 1			1886, Dec. 27, consolidated with Nos. 8, 51, and 113.
107	Nelson*				1845, consolidated with Daviess No. 22, as Daviess and Nelson. 1852, Sept. 2, ch'ged to Daviess No. 22.
801	Tadmor	18	1839, Aug. 27.		Surrendered 1864. Charter
109	Covingion	78			restored 1867, Oct. 8.
110	YL 1-1:4		1S39, Aug. 27.		Surrendered.
III	Pulaski*	68			1827-32, worked U. D. 1840. No. 175 blended with it,
	WHITELOUS	-	33, Sept. 1.		175 Diended With It,
111		- 1			name chg'd to Somerset.
	Fleming	55	1840, Sept. 1. 1840, Sept. 1.	1842	name chg'd to Somerset. Reinstated Sept., 1847.

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113	The L'ge of Antiquity		1868, Oct. 22.		1886, Dec. 29, consolidated
114	Ottawa*(Ill.)		1840, Sept. 1.	·	
115 116	Hancock	23 13	1840, Sept. 1. 1841, Aug. 31.		Burned. New charter 1891,
117	Sharpsburg* Big Spring*		1841, Aug. 31.	1882-'S3	October S. 1884, surrendered. 1852, re-
119	Wayne*		1893, Oct. 17. 1841, Aug. 31.	1864, Oct. 20.	stored. 1880, books burn'd Charter lost. 1886, charter
120	Mills Point*	:	1849,new char. 1841, Sept. 1.	1866, Oct	returned.
120	Cadiz		1866, Oct. 18. 1841, Sept. 1.		Officers died of yellow fever; books, etc., burned. Charter lost 1843.
122	Harrison		1843, new char.	• · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
123	Bradford		1842, Aug. 30. 1853, new ch'r.		Lost 1853.
124	Pitman		1842, Aug. 30.		Lost 1855.
126	Liberty*		1855, new ch'r. 1843, Aug. 29.	1866, Oct. 18.	
127	Paducah Owen		1843, Aug. 29. 1843, Aug. 29.	1867, Oct. 25.	.0
	Barker	_			1893, charter burned.
130	Owensboro		1843, Aug. 29.		
131	Hickman		1842 Apg. 29.		
132	Young		1844. Aug. 20		1866, Oct. 17, name changed
132	B. R. Young		1044, 124B. 29.		to B. R. Young.
133	Cloverport	63	1844, Aug. 29.		Charter lost 1853.
	G		1853, new ch'r.		200 CM-70 CM
134	Carrollton	56	1844, Aug. 29.		-0.06 annual desail abouton
135	Licking Valley* Marion	32			1856, surrendered charter. 1857, charter stolen.
-30	According to the control of the cont	-			1037, charter storem
137	Irvine	48	1544, Aug. 29.		
138	Smithland	13	1844, Aug. 29.		100100 00 000 000 000 000 000000
139	Spring Hill*		18 4, Aug. 29.	1866, Oct. 18.	1845, charter burned. 1863.
140 141	Paint Lick	27	1845, Aug. 28.	1888, Oct. 18.	charter lost. Restored Oct. 1889, page 83. 1854, name changed to Bath
142	Blandville*		1845, Aug. 28.	1886, July 10.	No. 55.
143	Madisonville McKee	68	1845, Aug. 28. 1846, Sept. 1.		
144	Trimble		1846, Sept. 2.	····	
146	Mayfield*				1854, surrendered.
147	Mt. Zion	130	1846, Sept. 2.		
148	Providence*			1892, Oct. 19.	
149	Cumberland* Crittenden*		1846, Sept. 2.		
150	Lafayette				
152	Alexandria	16			
153	Holloway*		1S47, Sept. 2.	1875, Oct. 21.	
154	Brooksville		1847, Sept. 2.		
155	Bullitt	28	1847, Sept. 2.	1886, July 10.	
156		21			
157	Bedford				
159	Col. Clav	103	1847, Sept. 2.		
160	Devotion	54	1847, Sept. 2.		
161	Wingate	20	1847, Sept. 2.		
163	Ashland* Robert Burns	126	1847, Sept. 2. 1848, Aug. 31.	1857.	
164	Taylor			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
165	Westport	n. r.	1848, Aug. 31.		<u> </u>
166	Zack Taylor*		1848, Aug. 31.		1854, surrendered.
167	Joppa	11	1848, Aug. 31.1.		

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168	Caseyville	28	1848, Aug. 31.		
169	Oldham*	27	1848, Aug. 31.		1879, surrendered.
170	Millourn		1040, Aug. 31.		Never filled.
172	Roberts		1848, Aug. 31.	1893, Oct. 19.	1893, Dec., restored.
173	Columbus*		1848, Aug. 31.	1884, June 2.	10,53, - 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10, 10,
174	Good Samaritan*	::::	1848, Aug. 30.		Surrendered 1886. 1853, Sept. 1, consolidated
176	Oxford	20	1840 Aug 28		with Pulaski No. 111.
177	Simpson Benevolent		1840. Aug. 28.		
177	Tompkins*		1849, Aug. 28.	1880, Oct. 20.	
179	Tompkins*		1849, Aug. 28.	1876, Oct. 20.	
	Salt River	21	1849, Aug. 28.		
181	Major Barbour* (Bardstown.)		1849, Aug. 28.		1857, surrendered charter.
182	Allensville*	1:2:		1888, Oct. 18.	
183 184	Hustonville				1890, Oct. 3, new charter,
104		-			with permission to hold old one as relic.
185	Rumsey*		1849, Aug. 28.		Surrendered Oct. 1867.
186	Livermore				165.6
187	Mountain			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
189	Concord			•••••••	
190	Suwanee	36			
191	Lewis		1850, Aug. 28.		
192	Neatsville*	1	1850, Aug. 28.	1886, July 10.	
193	Harry Hudson*		1850, Aug. 28.	1886, July 10.	
194	Butler *		1850, Aug. 28.	1886, July 10.	
195	Apperson	82 43	1850, Aug. 28. 1850, Aug. 28.	••••	
197	Bryantsville*	43	1850, Aug. 28.		
198	Mayo	15	1850, Aug. 28.		
199	Zerubbabel	47	1850, Aug. 28.		
200	Neville*		1850, Aug. 29.		1855, Aug., name changed
200	Model	44	1850, Aug. 29.		to Model.
202	Walton*		1850, Aug. 29.		rSS3, Oct., surrendered.
203	Scott*		1850, Aug. 29.	1891, Oct. 9.	1003, Octa, Sarrenderea.
204	Bethel	25	1850, Aug. 29.		26 66 7587
205	Benton*		1850, Aug. 29.		1879, surrendered.
206	Albany	65	1850, Aug. 29.		A CONTRACTOR CONTRACTO
207	Graham		1850, Aug. 29. 1850, Aug. 29.		
200	Harvey Maguire		1850, Aug. 29.		
210	Taylorsville	15	1850, Aug. 29.		
211	Wintersmith*		1851, Aug. 27.		
212	Stephensburg	12			
213	Proctor			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
214	Fairview	45			
216	Napoleon				
217	Gordonsville	16			
218	Philip Swigert	21			
219	Union	25			
220	DeMoss	25	1851, Aug. 27.		37
221	Roaring Spring*	11	1851, Aug. 27. 1889, Oct. 24.	1888, Oct. 18.	New lodge instituted with same name and No.
222	Orion	58			Old charter defaced; new one 1856.
223	Compass	89			
225	York*				1857, Dec. 3, united with 37.
226	Mitchell*		1851, Aug. 27.	1886, arrested.	37.
227	Muhlenburg*		1851, Aug. 27.	1864, Oct. 20.	
	Bewleyville	100000			
229	McAfee	21			
230	James Moore Bear Wallow				
232	Dycusburg	9	1852, Sept. 2		
	Red Riv'r Iron Works*		CONTRACTOR OF STREET		1871, charter lost by fire.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Members Aug. 1893	ORIGINAL CHARTER.	REVOKED OR ARRESTED.	Remarks.
233	Right Angle	33			
234	Nolynn, or Nolin*	::::			1872, Sept., burned.
235	Hampton	101			
236	Leitchfield	44			1854, surrendered.
237 238	Adairville				2034) carrenactor
239	St. George				
240	St. Marys	32			_
241	Tvler*				
241	Tyler *		1859, Oct. 20.		1862, surrendered charter.
242	Canton	23		-066 Oct	
243	Bedford*		1852, Sept. 2.	1866, Oct	
244	Greenville*			1304, Oct. 20.	
244	Carrell*				1880, Jan. 6, surrendered.
245	Hope				,
247	Fredonia	42	1852, Sept. 2.		
248	Ashbyshurg	33	1852, Sept. 2.		
249	Henry	39	1852, Sept. 2.		26. 0
250	Pike*		1852, Sept. 2.		1861, Oct. 22, surrendered.
251	Gradysville	32	1853, Aug. 31.		Name changed to C. S. Hoff-
252	Hoffmansville* C. S. Hoffman		1871, Oct. 18.		man 1871.
252	Ceralyo				11.11.10771
253 254	Morse*		1853, Aug. 31.	Defunct.	1871, Oct., leave to surrend'r
255	Mt. Gilead		1853, Aug. 31.		Burned; new charter Oct.
-33		1 1		1 (8, 1891.
256	Bigham	65	1853, Aug. 31.		
257 258	Lynchburg*		1853, Aug. 31.		1855, forfeited.
258	Excelsior	200	1853, Aug. 31.	-0.00	
259	Kevsburg*		1853, Aug. 31.	1858, Oct	
260	Sparta	27	1852 Aug. 31.		1883, July, surrendered.
261	Hudsonville	49	1862. Aug. 31.		1003, 3 21, 5, 0 21, 10 21
263	Mt. Eden	40	1853. Aug. 31.		Y .
264	Burlington	19	1853, Sept. 1.		
265	West Union*		1853, Sept. 1.	1886, July 10.	
266	Robinson	73	1853, Sept. 1.		
267 268	McCorkle*		1853, Sept. 1.	1868, Oct. 22.	1887, July 1, surrendered.
	Wm. B. Allen*				1863, Oct. 21, surrendered.
269	Dinwiddie*				1003, Oct. 21, Sarrenacteur
270	Hillsboro				N. Carlotte
272	Cassia		1854, Aug. 31.		1
273	Zebulon		1854. Aug. 31.		11
274	Foster	22	1854. Aug. 31.		01
275	Ausonia	16	1854, Aug. 31.		
276	Temple Hill		1854, Aug. 31.		1865, surrendered.
277 278	Edmonds*		1854, Aug. 31.		1805, surrendered.
278	Meridian		1854, Aug. 31.		Oct. 22, 1861, name changed
279 279	Charity	17			to Charity.
280	Woodbury	21	1854. Aug. 31.		3.7.2.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1
281	Preston		1854. Aug. 31.		
282	Eminence*		1854, Aug. 31.	1883, Oct	
2S2	Eminence		1885, Oct. 22.		
283	New Retreat	18	1854, Aug. 31.	-006 Lulu -0	
284	Russell*		1854, Aug. 31.	1886, July 10.	
284	Russell		1890, Oct. 3.		1883, surrendered.
285 286	Newton	42	1854, Aug. 31.		
287	Newton	73	1854, Aug. 31.	1855, Aug.	1856, August, restored.
			1856, Oct. 16.	1892, Oct. 19.	8
288	Pembroke	26	1854. Aug. 31.		
289	Rob Morris*		1854, Aug. 31.	186S, Oct. 22.	00- bd
290	Birmingham*		1854. Aug. 31.		1885, burned.
291	Mt. Olivet	41	1854, Aug. 31.		
292	Dunavan		1854, Aug. 31.	1886 Out 16	
293	Yelvington*		Per Amer 21	1888, Oct. 18.	
-0-		4.6	ALTERIA CAMPA 41.1		
294	Cunningham*	3-	1854. Aug. 31.	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	1867, surrendered charter.

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1/200			-O A		Name shanged to A G
297	Hodges		1854, Aug. 31.		Name changed to A. G. Hodges, 1874, Oct. 23.
297	A. G. Hodges	18			110ages, 10/4, Oct. 23.
298	J. Speed Smith	10		1886, July 10.	
299	Raywick*		1854, Sept. 1. 1854, Sept. 1.		1872, Oct. 14, name changed
300	Jamestown*		• • •	1890, Oct. 3.	to Woodville.
300	Woodville*	21	1854, Sept. 1.	10,00,000. 3.	10 11 000 111101
301	Harmony*		1854, Sept. 1.	1886, July 10.	1879, burned out.
302 303	Lewisport		1854, Sept. 1.		
304	Boone Union	31			77751836 DC 49277
305	Bourbon*		1854, Sept. 1.		1860, surrendered.
306	Garrard*		1854, Sept. 1.	1875, Oct. 22.	
307	Forsythe*		1854, Sept. 1.	1893, Oct. 19.	
30,	Forrest	25			
309	Fitch*		1854, Sept. 1.		1867, Oct. 25, name changed to E. S. Fitch. 1873, de- funct; so declared 1891.
310	Calhoon*		1854, Sept. 1.	1884, Sept. 10.	
311	Highland*		1855, Aug. 28.	1864, Oct. 20.	
311	Highland Paradise*	93	1867, Oct. 24.		.0=6 humada .Cor Oat o wa
312	Paradise*		1855, Aug. 29.	1888, Oct. 18.	1876, burned; 1891, Oct. 9, re- stored; 1892, burned; 1893,
312	Rockport	24	1876, Oct. 20.		name changed to Rockport.
			1891, Oct. 9. 1893, Oct. 17.		name change to reockport.
313	Faithful Friend*		1855, Aug. 29.		1879, Oct., surrend'rd char. 1881, restored; 1887, surren-
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314	Carlow		1855, Aug, 29.		
315	Kingston	29			
316	Manchester	39		1866. Oct. 18.	
317	Randolph Robinson*. Marks	10	1855, Aug. 29. 1855, Aug. 29.	1892, Oct. 19.	1892, Dec., restored by Gr.M
	Mark Tyler	15	1855. Aug. 20.		
319	James F. Keel		1855. Aug. 20.		
321	Tompkinsville	22	1855, Aug. 20.		1888, burned and re-estab-
3	20mp		1888, Oct. 15.		lished.
322	Alma	52	1855. Aug. 20.		
323	Loving	46	1855, Aug. 29.		06 1 34 77
324	Harreldsville*		1855, Aug. 29.		1861, name changed to Hen-
324	Henryville*				ryville. 1876, name chang- ed to Lewisburg.
324	Lewisburg	18			ed to Lewisburg.
325 326	Poage	107	1855, Aug. 29. 1855, Aug. 29.	1868, Oct. 22.	Restored 1871, Oct. 17. Defunct after 1873.
327	L. M. Cox	39	1855, Aug. 29.		(05/52)
328	Waynesburg	21	1855. Aug. 20.		oc . 1 o
329	Woodsonville*		1855, Aug. 29.	1866, Oct	1867, restored. 1879, surren-
10000000			0-4 0 4 -4	-006 Tules -0	dered.
330	Middleton*			1886, July 10.	1885, September 14, surren-
331	T. M. Lillard*		1856, Oct. 16.		dered charter.
	North Ballard	100000	1856, Oct. 16.		1864, name ch'g'd to Antioch.
332	Antioch				1865, burnt; new char.giv'n.
332 333	Preachersville*	33	1856, Oct. 16.	1872, Oct. 24.	
334	Point Isabel*		1856, Oct. 16.		1200 TO 121 TO 18 192
335	Beaver Creek	36	1856, Oct. 16.		Oct. 8. New charter 1891,
336 337	Asher W. Graham*		1856, Oct. 16. 1856, Oct. 16.		1888, October 18, re-issued, 1889, October 24, restored.
338	Waco	26			
339	Crotona*		1856, Oct. 16.		1879, surrendered.
340	Thomas Ware	57	1856, Oct. 16.		
341	Miles	21			
342	Mason	72	1857, Oct. 14.		
343	Harney	28	1857, Oct. 14. 1857, Oct. 14.		
344	Ghent	120	1857, Oct. 14.		
345	Sacramento*	.20	1857, Oct. 14.	1886, July 10.	S & &
346 347	Sacramento* Prathersville*		1857. Oct. 14.		1875, Oct. 21, name changed
347	Slaughtersville	50			to Slaughtersville.
347 348	Pleasant Grove*			1888	
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349	T. N. Wise	30	1857, Oct.	14.		
350	Marrowbone*		1857, Oct. 1858, Oct.	14.		
351	Wingfield*	77	1858, Oct.	13.		1877, surrendered.
352 353	J. T. Morehead*	73		13.		1863, Oct. 19, surrendered.
354	Hamilton			13.		1886, burned.
355	J. M. S. McCorkle*		1858, Oct.	13.		1865, Oct., surrendered.
355 356	J. M. S. McCorkle			19.		
356 357	Stephen F. Ogden* Pellville*		1858, Oct. 1858, Oct.	13. 13.		1887, surrendered. 1866, Oct., surrendered. Restored 1872, Oct. 24.
358	Newport	88	1858, Oct.	13.		510104 10/2, 001 24.
359	Sugar Grove					
300	Haywood	13	1858, Oct.			
361	Baltimore					
362	Wilmington			20.		
363	Polar Star	93	1859, Oct.	20.		Never filled.
364	Pythagoras*		1859, Oct.	30	1886, July 10.	
365 366	Pleasant Grove*		1859, Oct.	20.		1885, Feb. 5, surrendered; 1889, prop'ty given No. 642.
367 368	Ark					
368	Bibb			20.		
369	Hinton	37		18.	1888	1880 propity siven No. 610
370 371	Zion Hill	35	1860, Oct. 1860, Oct.	18.		1889, prop'ty given No. 640. 1890, Oct. 3, restored.
372	Hico	13				1090, Oct. 3, restorea.
373	Trowel	23	1860, Oct.			255 35
374	Woodville*		1860, Oct.	18.		1865, Oct. 18, name changed
374	Auburn	14				to Auburn.
375 376	Thomas C. Cecil		1860, Oct.		[1.1] (이 1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1) (1.1)	
370	Falls City	149	1860, Oct.	18.	1886, July 10.	1991 April a burned
377 378	Elijah Upton* Melone*	::::	1860, Oct.		1330, July 10.	1881, April 2, burned.
370	Monsarrat	36	1860, Oct.			icor, curneu.
379 380	Reliance*		1860, Oct.			1885, burned.
381	Paintsville	47	1860, Oct.			
382	Farmington	31	1860, Oct.	18.		
383	Cannonsburg	43	1860, Oct. 1861, Oct.	18.	1886, July 10.	
384 385 386	Cairo		1861, Oct.	23.		
286	Fox		1861, Oct.	23.		
387	Carrsville*		1861, Oct.	23.	1888, Oct. 18.	1891, Oct. 9, declar'd def'nct
387 388	Rio Verde*		1862, Oct.	22.		1878, arrest'd. 1879, restor'd
359	John J. Daviess	11	1862. Oct.			
390	Bordley	25 38	1863, Oct.	A 3 A 3 A 3 A 3 A 3 A 3 A 3 A 3 A 3 A 3		
391	Gasper River	30	1863, Oct. 1863, Oct.	21.		
392	West McCracken*		1863, Oct.			1879, surrendered.
394	Dever*		1863, Oct.		1886, July 10.	10/3, 0
395	Hiram Bassett	14				
396	Danville*	1	1864, Oct.		•••••	1871, Oct. 19, consolidated with No. 28.
397	Aspen Grove	17	1864, Oct.			
398	Dick Barnes* Beech Grove*		1864, Oct.	19.	1893, Oct. 19. 1888, Oct. 18.	
99	Louisville		1865, Oct. 1865, Oct.	18	1556, Oct. 16.	
101	Briensburg	10	1865, Oct.	18.		
02	Shearer*	••••	1865, Oct.	18.	1886, July 10.	1880, May 15, hall, etc., de- stroyed by fire.
103	Pleasant Valley		1865, Oct.	18.		0
104	Union Grove*		1865, Oct.	18.	1891, Oct. 9.	-00-
05	Sullivan*	:	1865, Oct.			1887, surrendered.
06	East McCracken*	13	1865, Oct. 1866, Oct.	17.		
08	Lynnville*		1866, Oct.	17.		
09	M. I. Williams*	!	1866, Oct.		1891, Oct. 9.	920 At 400 Sept =
10	Pleasureville*		1866, Oct.	17.		1894, April 11, surrendered.
11	East Owen	14		17.		00 · I · · · · · · · · · · · ·
12	Cumberland	••••	1866, Oct.	17.		1885, July 31, surrendered.
13	Cumberland	40	1300, Oct.	:3.		1887, March, surrendered.
14	1. r. Reese*	1	1000, Oct.	10.		100/, march, surrendered.

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415	Muhlenburg			18.		•
416	Long View	16	1866, Oct.	18.	1886, July 10	•
417	Cave City*		1866, Oct.		1000, July 10	
419	Tampico	19		18.		
420	Cromwell	36		18.		S 100
421	Consolation	16		18.	-004 T-1	•
422	Hebbardsville*		1866, Oct. 1866, Oct.	18.	1886, July 10.	•
424	Casey*		1866, Oct.	iS.	1886, July 10.	
424	Casey	26	1892, Oct.	19.		
425	Booneville	47	1866, Oct.	18.		•
426	Panther Creek* Marshall*		1866, Oct. 1866, Oct.	18.	1888, Oct. 18.	
427 428	Curdsville*		1866, Oct.	18.		
429	Thomas Todd*		1866, Oct.	18.		1885, Mar. 25, surrendered.
430	T. W. Wash	30		18.		
431	Monticello Crab Orchard*	45	1866, Oct. 1866, Oct.	18.		
432 433	Chaplin*		1866, Oct.	18.		
434	Oakland*		1866, Oct.	18.		1881, burned up.
435	Southville*		1866, Oct.		1886, July 10.	
436	Joseph H. Branham		1867, Oct.			
437 438	O. D. Henderson Reedyville		1867, Oct.	24.		
439	Eldorado*		1867, Oct.	24.		1877. Oct. 17. surrendered.
440	Symsonia*		1867, Oct.	24.	1886, July 10.	
441	Fairfield		1867, Oct,			
442	Newburg*		1867, Oct. 1867, Oct.			1886, April, surrendered.
143	Four Mile*	33	1867, Oct.			1891, Oct. 9, name changed
144	Ford	45				to Ford.
145	Athens*		1867, Oct.	24.	-006	1887, surrendered.
146	Short Creek*		1867, Oct. 1867, Oct.		1886, arrested. 1886, July 10.	
147	Landrum	46	1867, Oct.	24.	1000, July 10.	
149	Plain City		1867, Oct.			
150	Mystic Tie	24	1867, Oct.	24.		
151	Bethlehem*		1867, Oct.	24.	1886, July 10. 1886, July 10.	
152 153	Shiloh	38	1867, Oct.	24.		
54	Daniel Boone	30	1867, Oct.	24.		
155	Walton's Creek*		1867, Oct.			Surrendered after 1881.
156	Harrod's Creek	24	1867, Oct. 1867, Oct.		•••••••	
57	Carter	19	1867, Oct.			
59	I. T. Martin	12	1867. Oct.	24.		
59	Perseverance*		1867, Oct.	24.	••••	1886, surrendered charter.
61	Milt m	31	1867, Oct.		••••	
63	New Salem King*	38	1867, Oct. 1867, Oct.	24	1893, Oct. 19.	
64	Cox	71	1868, Oct.			1892, burned.
		- i	1893, Oct.			
65	Evergreen*	100000	1868, Oct.		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1886, March 16, surrendered.
66	W. M. Winstead Dixon	39	1868, Oct. 1868, Oct.	1000	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
68	C		1868, Oct.		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Defunct since 1875,
69	Estell	60	1568, Oct.	22.		
70	Keystone	45	1868, Oct.			
71	W. G. Simpson	67	1868, Oct. 1868, Oct.			
72 73	Joe Ellis	31	1868, Oct.			
74	Friendship*		1868, Oct.	22.	1888, Oct. 1S.	
75	Bratton's Mills	20	1868, Oct.	22.		
76	Milford*		1869, Oct.		1892, Oct. 19.	1889, Oct. 24, new charter.
77	Caney Fork Samuel Reed	60	1869, Oct. 1869, Oct.			
70	Robert Mallory*		1869, Oct.			1884, Sept. 13, surrendered.
79	Star*		1869, Oct.	21.		1890, Oct. 3, surrendered.
Sı	Palestine	30	1869, Oct.			
82	Phelps	42				1890, Sept. 8, surrendered.
83	Parkersville					1050, Sept. o, surremucieu.
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485 486	Elk Creek	. 13	1870, Oct. 19			
486	Rising Star*		1870, Oct. 19		.]	
487 488	J. C. Whitlock				. !	
400	Argus*			. 1886, July 10	•1	
489	Hazlewood					
491	Seivers	42			- 1	
492	Stanford*		1870, Oct. 19			
493	Jeptha*		1870, Oct. 19	000 0 . 0		
494	Buford	. 49				
495	Lower Blue Lick New Providence*	63				
495 497	Hale Spring*		1870, Oct. 19			
171	arine opining		10/0, 000. 19	1892, Oct. 19	1889, Oct. 24, restored.	
498	Glencoe		1870, Oct, 19			
498	Glencoe	. 13	1877, Oct. 18			
499	South Ballard*		1870, Oct. 19			
499	Bardwell					
500	Orient	65			1892, burned.	
501	Texas	n. r.	1893, Oct. 17		1889, Oct. 24, new charter.	
502	Duncan	. 9	1871, Oct. 19	000 0 0		
503	Goshen	22	1871, Oct. 19			
504	Glendale*		1871, Oct. 19		1886, July 10, burned.	
505	Beaver	26	1871, Oct. 19			
507	Mizpah	50	1871, Oct. 19			
507 508	Bostwick	32	1871, Oct. 19			
509	Sligo*		1871, Oct. 19	1 004	1	
510	Elizaville	32	1871, Oct. 19			
511	Valley	20	1871, Oct. 19		1	
512	Gainesville	8	1871, Oct. 19 1872, Oct. 24		1	
514	Ash*	24	1872, Oct. 24 1872, Oct. 24	000 0 0		
515	H. A. M. Henderson.	22	1872, Oct. 24		ł	
516	Breedings	21	1872, Oct. 24			
517	Rocky Hill	14				
518	Fount'n Powd'r Milis*	1 2 2 1			1893, Mar. 29, surrendered.	
519	Stewartsville Harrisonville		1872, Oct. 24.		Burn'd; 'n'w char. Oct. 8, '91	
321	Green Hill	64	1872, Oct. 24.			
522	Glenville*		1872, Oct. 24.		1891, Oct. 7, surrendered.	
552	Glenville	17			1802, old charter given to it.	
23	Orphans' Friend	28	1872, Oct. 24.			
24	Claysville*		1872, Oct. 24.			
26	Parmleyville	31	1872, Oct. 24. 1872, Oct. 24.	1886, July 10.	l/l	
	John C. Gerard*				1882, surrendered.	
27	Glen's Fork	16	1872, Oct. 24.			
29	Rowe*		1872, Oct. 24.	1886, July 10.		
30	Otter Creek	35				
31	Esoteric*	31			1891, Jan. 7, consolidated	
3-			.0/3, 00. 24.		with No. 4.	
33	Lairsville	23	1873, Oct. 24.		100 000 00000 000	
34	Pineville*				1889, Oct. 23, burned; 1889,	
1	Discount (FIII	1	-0 0 +		Oct. 23, arrested.	
	Pleasant Hill	50				
37	North Ballard	18				
37	Bailey	27				
39	McLure	19	1873, Oct. 24.	1889, Oct. 22.	Restored 1890, April 22.	
40	North Bend*		1873, Oct. 24.	1886, July 10.	-006 T.L.	
41	Hanson*				1886, July 1, surrendered.	
12	Calvert City	25	1873, Oct. 24. 1873, Oct. 24.			
13	Belleview	25	1874, Oct. 23.			
15	Pilgrim	29				
6	New Columbus	31	1874, Oct. 23.		and result in the self-	
17	Bakerton*		1874, Oct. 23.		1884, May 13, surrendered.	
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8 3	E. W. Turner	21	1874, Oct. 23. 1874. Oct. 23.			

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551	Pulaski	n. r.	1874, Oct. 23	1892, Oct. 19.	
552	Little Barren		1874, Oct. 23		
553	Gibson		1874, Oct. 23	[.]	Lost; new char. 1891, Oct. 8.
554	Knoxville	23			1876, January 13, burned.
555	Thomas B. Gossom	25	1876, Oct. 20 1874, Oct. 23	1	
556	Rosine		1874, Oct. 23		
557	Forks of Rough*		1874, Oct. 23	. 1889, Oct. 24.	1
557 558	Mt. Pleasant*		1874. Oct. 23		
559	Shady Grove	26	1874, Oct. 23		
561	Bethany Derrick Warner	39	1874, Oct. 23		
562	Stafford		1874, Oct. 23 1875, Oct. 22		1
563	Flat Rock	27	1875, Oct. 22	(이 나타 아이가 되는 사람이 있는 것이 없었다. (이 사람이 없은	
564	New Hope	45	1875, Oct. 22		1
565	Noah's Ark*		1875, Oct. 22	. 1886, July 10.	}
566	Broadhead	22			1
567 568	Berkley		1875, Oct. 22		į.
569	Elkhorn	20			1888, Oct. 18, surrendered.
570	Buffalo	33			1505, Oct. 15, surrendered.
571	Hurricane				1887, burned out,
		20	1892, Oct. 19	. [
572	W. H. Cunningham	37			
573	Red Oak Grove	22			l
574	Spring Hill	16			1889, consolidated with 567.
575 576	Hepburn	76			1509, consolidated with 307.
577	Dekoven		1876, Oct. 20		•
578	J. D. Hamilton	17	1876, Oct. 20		
579	Petersburg*		1876, Oct. 20	. 1889, Oct. 23.	
580	Liborter		.O. O	.]	Feb. 11, surrendered.
5S1	Liberty	20			
5S2	Arlington				
582 583 584 584 585 586 587 588	W. F. Beard*			1893, Oct. 19.	
584	Raven Creek*		1876, Oct. 20		Consolidated with No. 611;
584	Corinth	17			name changed to Corinth.
535	William S. Fant	30			
587	McNeil Daysville*	25			1890, Jan. 7, burned.
588	Robt. M. Owens	41			logo, Julii I, barneti
589	Andrew lackson*		1876, Oct. 20		1878, surrendered.
590	Emulation*		1876, Oct. 20.	1886, July 10.	
591	Robinson Creek	46			
592	New Roe	22			
593 594	Boston	31			
595	Masonic Widows and	3-	10/// 0011 101		
	Orphans' Home	25	1877, Oct. 18.		
596	Bremen	35	1877, Oct. 18.		1889, Oct. 24, new charter.
597 598	Hocker*		1877, Oct. 18.		1891, declared defunct.
593 599	John H. Leathers*	46	1877, Oct. 18.	1888, Oct. 18.	
600	Fordsville	35	1877, Oct. 18. 1878, Oct. 25.		
601	Pond Fork	52	1878, Oct. 25.	and the second of the second o	
602	Hood	26	1878, Oct. 25.		
603	Vine Grove	32	1878, Oct. 25.	·····	
604	Campbell H. Johnson.	37	1878, Oct. 25.		
605	J. W. Knapp	20	1879, Oct. 24.		
507	Henry Barnes	85	1879, Oct. 24.		
508	St. Charles	35	1879, Oct. 24.		
500	Beulah	36	1879, Oct. 24.		
oro	H. B. Grant	37	1880, Oct. 22.	The second secon	-90- Man as assault lated
511	Corinth*		1880, Oct. 22.		1887, Mar. 21, consolidated into No. 584.
512	Central	21	1880, Oct. 22.		1893, arrested and restored.
513	Hardin Springs	24	1880, Oct. 22.		
514	Indian Creek	21	1881, Oct. 20.		
6 1		21	1550 Clot 18	1	
515	Flat Gap	90	1882, Oct. 18. 1882, Oct. 18.		

No.	Name of Lodge.	Aug. 1893	ORIGINAL CHARTER.	REVOKED OR ARRESTED.	REMARKS.
618	Eldorado				
619	Beechville		1883, Oct. 18.		
620	Arba		1883, Oct. 18.		
622	T. L. Jefferson	18	1885, Oct. 21. 1885, Oct. 21.		
623	Woodbine		1885, Oct. 21.		
624	Custer	31	1885, Oct. 21.		
625	Wickliffe		1885, Oct. 21.		
626 627	Willard	99			
628	Dawson	40			
629	Olive Hill	toi			
630	Garfield	24		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1
631	McKinney	41		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
633	Willowtown	87		•••••••	
634	Burnside	45	1887, Oct. 19.		
635 636	Caneyville	33	1888, Oct. 18.		1
636	Crab Orchard	20	1888, Oct. 18.		
637 638	Jonesville	27			
639	Woodstock	39			
640	Ashland	73			
641	Meeting Creek	22	1SS9, Oct. 24.		
542	Crossland	27			
543	Freedom	39		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1
545	Powell	64		· • • • · • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1
546	Robert Clarke	31	7.7		1
547	Flippin	17			
548	Vienna	35 86			
550	Columbus	0.3900		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
51	Bevis	37	1 0 - 0 1		
52	Cracroft	40	0 0 0		
53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60	Elliott	63	1891, Oct. S.		
54	Morehead	39			
25	Grenville	36			
57	East Point	23			
58	Vertrus	21			
59	Kelsey	41			
61	Grand Rivers	n.r.		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	
62	Pinnacle	58			
63	Dalton	18			
64	Hvden	43	1802, Oct. 10.		
65	Carrsville	33	1882, Oct. 19.		
67	Wallins Creek	52 21		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
68	Cooper	41			
69	Guthrie	22	1892, Oct. 19.		
70	Andy Bowen	17 28	1893, Oct. 17.		
71 D	Crotona			• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Di
72	Crescent	18			Dispensation 1893, Jan 3.
74	Big Spring	10			
73 74 75 76 77 78 79	Hartford	16	1893, Oct. 17.		
76	Hazard	35	1893, Oct. 17		
78	Sacramento	19		•••••	
79	Mayfield	35			
. D	Pine Grove	14			Dispensation 1893, May 8.
31	Worthville	13	1893, Oct. 17		-
32	Salt Lick	14	1893, Oct. 17.		Disposation -0 Ma
. D	Hansen	17			Dispensation 1893, May 15. Dispensation 1893, Sept. 19.
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:B	Filson				Dispensation 1893, Dec. 12.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTERS.

Grand Lodge also granted Warrants to Royal Arch Chapters.

1814, November 11, on petition of eleven brethren "to open and hold a Royal Arch Chapter under Warrant No. 1" (Lexington Lodge).

1816, "Resolved, That a Royal Arch Chapter be established at Frankfort, with authority to work under Warrant No. 4."

1816, Authorized that a Chapter be held under Warrant No. 5 (Solomon's Lodge).

1816, August 30, permitted "Chapters working under Warrants Nos. 1, 4 and 5 . . . to establish a Grand Chapter."

ORGANIZATION OF MASONIC GRAND BODIES.

Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. A. M., established Oct. 16, 1800.

Chapter of Kentucky, R. A. M., established Dec. 4, 1817. .. Council of Kentucky, R. S. M., established Dec. 10, 1827.

66 Commandery of Kentucky, K. T. (then called Grand Encampment),

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established Oct. 5, 1847.
Council of High Priesthood, established Aug. 31, 1854.
Consistory of Kentucky, A. A. S. R. (Southern Masonic Jurisdic-" tion), established Aug., 1852.

General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America, established 1797, 1800.

Encampment, now called Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, established 1812, 1816.

Supreme Council 33°, A. A. S. R. (Southern M.: Jurisdiction), established May 31, 1801.

(Northern M.: Jurisdiction), established Aug. 5, 1813.

MASONIC CALENDAR,

USAGE IN AFFIXING DATES TO MASONIC DOCUMENTS.

SYMBOLIC MASONRY (also called "Blue Masonry"), date from the creation, or Anno Lucius, that is, the year of light; found by adding 4000 to the common era. For the year 1893 it would be abbreviated thus: A... L.. 5893.

ROYAL ARCH MASONRY (called "Capitular"), dates from the building of the Second Temple by Zerubbabel 530 years before Christ, or Anno Inventionis, that is, the year of discovery. Found by adding 530 to our era, and abbreviated (for 1893) thus: A.: I: (or A. Inv.) 2423.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS (called "Cryptic Masonry") date from

the year of deposit, Anno Depositionis. It is found by adding 1000 to our

era, and 1893 would be abbreviated thus: A.. Dep.: 2893.

KNIGHTS TEMPLARS (called "Chivalric Masonry") date from the assumed date of their order in 1118. They find the date by deducting 1118 from our era (that is Anno Ordinis, or in the year of the Order), abbreviated for 1893 thus: A. O. 875.

THE SCOTTISH RITE date from the Year of Creation according to Jewish chronology, adding 3760 to our era, that is, Anno Mundi, in the year of

the world. For 1893 they would date thus: A.: M.: 5653.

LODGES ALPHABETICALLY.

Lodges, having given names of individuals, are alphabeted by last name Under each letter names of live lodges are given, then defunct lodges set "indented"—i. e., to the right.

NAME. No.	NAME. No.	NAME. No.
Abraham 8	Bowen, Andy 670	Clinton 82
Adairville 238	Bowling Green 73	Clinton, DeWitt 86
Albany 205	Bradford 123	Cloverport 133
Allen 24	Broadhead 566	Colonel Clay 159
Alexandria 152	Briensburg 401	Columbia 96
Alma 322	Branham, Joseph H 436	Columbus 650
Amity 40	Bratton's Mills 475	Compass 223
Anderson 90	Breathitt 649	Concord 188
Antioch 332	Breckinridge 67	Confidence 52
Apperson 195	Breedings 516	Consolation 421
Arba 620	Bremen 596	Cooper 668
Ark 367	Brooksville 154	Corinth 584
Arlington 582	Buffalo 570	Covington 109
Ashbysburg 248	Buford 494	Cox 464
Ashlar 531	Bullitt 155	Cox, L. M 327
Ashland 640	Burlington 264	Crab Orchard 636
Aspen Grove 397	Burnside 634	Cracroft 652
Auburn 374	Burns, Robert 163	Crandell, John T 457
Augusta %	Bakerton 574	Crescent, U. D (will be 672)
Aurora 633	Barbour, Maj 181	Cromwell 420
Ausonia 275	Bardstown 38	Crossland 642
Adam's Fork 179	Bakerton 547	Crotona 671
Allen, Wm. B 268	Barnes, Dick 398	Cuba 644
Allensville 182	Beard, W. F 583	Cumberland 412
Antiquity, Lodge of. 113	Bedford 243	Cunningham, W. H 572
Argus 488	Beech Grove 399	Custer 624
Arkansas (Ark.) 59	Benton 205	Calhoon 310
Ash 514	Bethlehem 451	Carrell 245
Ashland 162	Big Spring 118	Carrsville 387
Athens 91	Birmingham 290	Cave City 418
Athens 445	Blandville 142	Cincinnati (Ohio) 13
Aurora 62	Blazing Star (Ind) 36	Clarke 51
Bailey 538	Bodley (Ills.) 97	Clay
	Boone, 100	Claysville 524
Baltimore	Bourbon 305	Columbia 57
Bardwell 499	Bryantsville 197	Columbus 173
Barker 129	Bullock, J. M 287	Corinth 611
Barnes, Henry 607	Burksville 30	Corydon 447
Bassett, Hiram 305	Burlington 56	Cowan 98
Bath55	Butler 194	Crab Orchard 432
Bear Wallow 231	Cadiz	
Beaver 505	Cairo	Crittenden
Beaver Creek 335	Calvert City 543	Cuba 412
Bedford 158	Caney Fork 477	Cumberland 149
Beechville 619	Caneyville	Cunningham 295
Belleview 544	Cannonsburg 383	Curd 175
Benevolent 58	Canton 242	Curdsville 428
Berea 617	Carlow 314	Dallasburg 621
Berkley 567		Dalton
Bethany 560	Carrollton 134 Carrsville 665	
Bethel 204		Daviess, John J 389 Dawson 628
Beulah 609	Carter 458	DeKoven 577
Bevis 651	Casey 424	DeMoss 220
Bewleyville 228	Casey's Creek 536	Devotion 160
Bibb 368	Caseyville 168	
Bigham 256	Cassia 272	DeWitt Clinton 86
Big Spring 674	Cecil, Thomas C 375	Dixon 467
Bloomfield 57	Central 612	Dougherty 65
Boone, Daniel 454	Central 673	Dunavan
Boone Union 304	Ceralvo 253	Duncan 502
Booneville 425	Chaplin 433	Duvall
Bordley 390	Charity 279	Dycusburg 232
Boston 593	Clarke, Robert 646	Danville 396
Bostwick 508	Clifty 599	Daviess 22

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Dinwiddie 269	Greenup 89	Kelsey 659
Duvall 99	Grenville 655	Keystone 470
		Kilminning 506
East Owen 411	Guthrie 669	Kilwinning 506
East Point 657	Garrard 306	Kingston 315
Eginton 490	Georgetown 3	Kirkmansville 615
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Elizaville 510	Glendale 504	Knoxville 504
Elk Creek 485	Golden Square 77	Keystone 259
Elkhorn 568	Good Samaritan 174	King 463
Elliott 653	Graham, Asher W 336	
		Lafayette 151
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Estill 469	Hamilton, J. D 578	Landmark 41
Excelsior 258	Hampton 235	Landrum 448
Ezel 550	Hancock 115	Lebanon S7
East McCracken 407	Hanson, U. D(will be 683)	Leitchfield 236
Edmunds 277	Hardin Springs 613	Lewis 191
Emulation 590		
	Harney 343	Lewisburg324
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Equality (Ills.) 102	Hartford 675	Lexington
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Fairfield 441	Howadle Creek	Tittle Dance
Fairview 214	Harrod's Creek 456	Little Barren 552
Falls City 376	Haywood 360	Livermore 186
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Farmington 382	Hazzard 676	Longview 416
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		Lower Blue Licks 495
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Fleming 112	Hico 372	Lawrence (Ills.) 34
Flippin 647	Highland 311	Lawrenceburg (Ind.). 44
		Leathers, John H 598
Franklin	Hillsboro 271	Leathers, John H 595
Freedom 643	Hinton 369	Liberty 126
Fredonia 247	Hiram 4	Licking Valley 135
Ford 444	Hiram Bassett 395	Lillard, T. M 331
		Linton
Fordsville 600	Hodges, A. G 297	Linton 575
Forest 308	Hoffman, C. S 252	Livingston St
Fortitude 47	Hood 602	Lynchburg 257
Foster 274	Hope : 246	Lynnville 408
Fox 386	Hopkinsville 37	McAfee 229
Fulton 678	Hudsonville 262	McCorkle, J. M. S 355
Faithful Friend 313	Hurricane 571	McKee 144
Feliciana (La.) 46	Hustonville 184	McKinney 63t
Fitch 309	Hyden 664	McLure 539
Flat Rock 101	Hale Spring 497	McNeil
Flemingsburg 93	Hanging Fork 78	Madison 183
Forks of Rough 557	Hanson 541	Madisonville 143
Forsythe 307	**	
		Magnolia 201
Fount'n Powd'r Mills 518	Harmony 302	Maguire, Harvey 209
Four Mile 444	Hartford 156	Manchester 316
Frankfort 4	Harreldsville 324	Marion 136
Franklin Benevolent. 70	Hebbardsville 422	Marks 318
	Helena 337	Mark Tyler 319
Friendship 474		Marchall
Fulton 120	Henryville 324	Marshall 427 Martin, I. T 459
Gainesville 512	Hocker 597	martin, I. T 459
Garfield	Hoffmansville 252	Mason 342
Gasper River 391	Holloway 153	Masonic W. & O. Home. 595
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Germantown 207	Hudson, Harry 193	Mason's Creek 423
Ghent 344	Indian Creek 614	Mayfield
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Glencoe 498	Irvine 137	Maytown
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Glenn's Fork 528	Independence 32	Meeting Creek 641
Glenville 522	Industry 42	Meridian 278
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Good Faith95	Jefferson, T. L 622	Milburn 170
Gordonsville 217	Jerusalem 9	Miles 341
Goshen 503	Johnson 204	Milton 401
Gossom, Thomas B 555	Johnson, Campbell H 604	Minerva 116
Gradyville 251	Jonesville 637	Mintonville 392
Graham 208	Joppa	Mizpah 507
Grand Rivers 660	Jackson, Andrew 589	Model 200
Grant 85	Jamestown 300	Monsarrat 379
Grant, H. B 610	Jefferson 83	Monticello 431
	Jeptha 493	Monument 483
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Moore, James 230	Olive Branch 384	Roberts 162
Morehead 654	Ottawa (Ills.) 114	Robinson, Randolph. 317
Morganfield	Owen	Rolling Fork 569
Morrison 76	Paducah 129	Rowe 529
Mountain 187	Paint Lick 140	Rumsey 185
Mt. Carmel 513	Paintsville 381	Sacramento 677
Mt. Eden 263	Palestine 481	St. Andrews 18
Mt. Gillead 255	Paris 2	St. Charles 608
Mt. Olivet 291	Parkersville 484	St. George 230
Mt. Sterling 23	Parkland 638	St. Helens, U. D. (will be 684)
Mt. Vernon	Parmleyville 526	St. Johns 125
Mt. Zion 147	Pellville 667	St. Mary 240
Muhlenberg 415	Pembroke 288	Salem 81
Mullem 296	Phelps 482	Salt Lick
Murray 105	Pilgrim 545	Salt River 180
Mystic Tie 450	Pine Grove,	Sardis 196
McCorkle 267 Madison (Miss.) 21	Pinnacle	Seivers 491
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Marrowbone 350	Pleasant Valley 403	Simpson 189
Mason, Harvey 237	Poage 325	Simpson Benevolent 177
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Mayslick 74	Pond Fork 601	Slaughtersville 347
Maysville 26	Pond River 244	Smith, J. Speed 298
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lem (Ind.) 43	Preston 281	Solomon 5
Melone 378	Proctor 213	Somerset 111
Metcalfe 326	Pulaski 551	Sparta 260
Middleton 330	Paradise 312	Springfield 50
Milford 476	Paris 2	Spring Hill 574
Mills' Point 120	Paris Union 16	Stafford 562
Mitchell 226	Panther Creek 426	Stanton 352
Montgomery 23	Pellville 357	Stephensburg 212
Moore 96	Perseverance 460	Stephensport 406
Morehead, J. T 353	Petersburg 579	Stewart, Willis 224
Morris, Rob 289	Philantrophic (Tenn.) 12	Stewartsville 519
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Murphysville 279	Pleasant Grove 348	St. Paul 32
Murray 35	Pleasant Grove 366	Scott 203
Murry 141	Pleasureville 410	Sharpsburg 117
Napoleon 216	Point Isabel	Shearer 402
New Columbus 540	Potosi (Mo.) 39	Short Creek 446
New Haven 215	Prathersville 347	Simpson 31
New Hope 564	Preachersville 333	Sligo 509
Newport 358	Providence 148	South Ballard, 499
New Retreat 283	Pulaski 111	Southville 435
New Roe 592	Pythagoras 365	Spring Hill 139
New Salem	Rascoe	Stanford 492
North Ballard 537	Reed, Samuel 478	Star
Neatsville 192	Reedyville	Sullivan 405
Nelson 107	Rennick 549	Symsonia 440
Newburg 442	Reynolds, B. F 443	Tadmor
New Providence 496	Rice, Jake 606	Tampico 419
Neville 200	Richmond 25	Taylor 164
Nicholas 65	Right Angle 233	Taylorsville 210
Noah's Ark 565	Roaring Spring 221	Temple Hill 276
Nolynn (Nolin) 234	Robinson 266	Texas 501
North Ballard 332	Robinson Creek 591	Tompkinsville 321
North Bend 540	Rochester 270	Trimble 145
Olive Hill 629	Rockport 312	Trowel 373
Prient 500	Rocky Hill 517	Tyler, Mark 319
Orion 222 Orphans' Friend 523	Rosine 556	Turner, E. W 548
Otter Creek 530	Russell 284 Russellville 17	Taylor, Zack 166
Owen 128	Russellville	Temple 64 Three Springs 417
Owensboro 130	(See Corinth 584).	Thomas Todd 429
Owens, Robert M 588	Raywick 299	Tompkins 178
Oxford	Red River Iron Wk's 233	Trotter 75
Oak Grove 285	Reese, T. F 414	Trumbo
Oakland 434	Reliance 380	Tyler 84
Ogden, Stephen F 356	Rio Verde 388	Tyler 241
Oldham 169	Rising Star 486	Union 219
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Upton, Elijah 377	Whitlock, J. C 487	Washington 6
Union (Ind.) 29	Wickliffe 625	Washington 16
Union Grove 404	Willard 626	Wayne 119
Unity 10	Willis Stewart 224	Webb 55
Valley	Willowton	Wesley 452
Valley 511	Wilmington	West McCracke n 393
Vertrus 658	Wilmington 362	West McCracke II 393
Vesper	Winchester 20	West Union 265
Vine Grove 603	Wingate 161	Williams, M. J 409
Vienna 648	Wise, T. N 349	Wingfield 351
Vincennes (Ind.) 15	Winstead, W. M 466	Wintersmith 211
Waco 338	Woodbine 623	Woodson 92
Wallins' Creek 666	Woodbury 280	Woodsonville 329
Ware, Thomas 340	Woodstock 639	Woodville 300
Warner, Derrick 561	Worthville 681	Woodville 374
Warren 53	Wadesboro 105	Young, B. R 132
Washington 79	Walton 202	Yelvington 293
Wash, T. W 430	Walton's Creek 455	York 225
Waynesburg 328	Warren 53	Zebulon 273
Weaverton 627	Warren 110	Zerubbabel 199
Westport 165	Warsaw 94	Zion Hill 371

HISTORY

OF THE

MASONIC WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' HOME

IN A NUTSHELL.

Nov.	23, 1866.	Preliminary meeting in Louisville to consider the propriety of establishing a Home and the first subscription made. This in the room occupied by Grand Secretary as an office; south end of Masonic Temple.
Inn	96-	The Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home and Infirmary incorporated.
Jan.	15, 1867.	
Sept.	24, 1868. h 19, 1869.	Lot donated by T. T. Shreve, and adjacent grounds purchased. Grand Lodge donated "Grand Lodge Hall," Lexington.
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Oct.	24, 1869.	" 이 1980년에 가장된 문에 가입니다. 이 가입니다 그렇지만 가입니다. 그렇지만 하게 되었다면 하는데 이 기계를 다 하게 되었다면 하는데 보고 있다. 그 보고 있다고 있는데 보고 있다고 있다. 그 보고 있다.
0.	1868-69.	"Ladies Aid Society" organized, which raised \$12,579.20 for the Home.
Oct.	18, 1870.	North wing dedicated.
Oct.	20, 1870.	를 하면 하다면서 맞다면 하는 아니라는 이 일어나는 것이 되었다면서 어린 내가 되었다면서 하는 사람이 되었다면서 되었다면서 되었다면서 이 사람들이 되었다면서 하는데 없다면서 되었다면서 하는데 없다면서 하는데 없다면서 하는데 얼마나 되었다면서 하는데 되었다면서 되었다면서 하는데 되었다면서 되었다면서 하는데 되었다면서 하는데 되었다면서 되었다면서 하는데 되었다면서 하는데 되었다면서 하는데 되었다면서 되었다
	h 15, 1871.	Act of incorporation amended.
May	23, 1871.	C - PANEL BOOK - 17 C BELLEY TO SEAL TO BE TO SEAL TO BOOK A TO SEAL
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Oct.		Grand Lodge donated \$78,500.00.
	1874.	" " \$3,720 per annnm.
June	2, 1875.	Main building, just inclosed, destroyed by a tornado.
Oct.	23, 1876.	Home rebuilt and dedicated.
Oct.	-, 1S77.	Assessment of \$1 per capita, per annum, for five years.
Marc	h 2, 1878.	Act of incorporation amended.
Oct.	-, 1881.	Assessment made fifty cents per capita per annum.
March	h 26, 1882.	Act of incorporation amended.
	1, 1883.	Material for printing office ordered.
	1883.	Masonic Home Journal printed its first paper.
March	h —, 1883.	Shoe shop established.
	h 31, 1886.	Act of incorporation amended.
Oct.	3, 1890.	Grand Lodge donated \$19.950.00 stock, market value about \$50,000.00.
	, 1891-92.	Assessment increased to \$1 per capita per annum, and Home to send the Masonic Home Journal to every affiliate in Kentucky.
May	1, 1894.	Number of beneficiaries: Boys, 107; girls, 125; widows, 22; total, 254. Whole number since organization, 790. Cost of maintaining the Home from \$100 to \$115 for each beneficiary.

A LIST OF LODGES BY COUNTIES

NOW AT WORK.

ADAIR.

Columbia 96, Columbia. Gradyville 251, Milltown. Breedings 516, Breedings. Glenn's Fork 528, Glennville. Casev Creek 536, Casey Creek. Hood 602, Egypt Church, Ashler P. O.

ALLEN.

Graham 208, Scottsville, Gainesville 512, Gainesville, New Roe 592, New Roe.

ANDERSON

Anderson 90, Lawrenceburg. Beaver Creek 335, Leathers' Store. Central 612, Orr.

BALLARD.

Lovelaceville 157, Lovelaceville. Antioch 332, Antioch, Hinkleville P. O. Hazelwood 489, Barlow City. North Ballard 537, Pleasant Valley, Ogden P. O. Wickliffe 625, Wickliffe.

BARREN.

Allen 24, Glasgow. Rocky Hill 517, Rocky Hill. H. B. Grant 610, Caney Fork, Etoile P. O.

BATH.

Bath 55, Owingsville. Newton 286, Bethel. Salt Lick 682, Salt Lick.

BELL

Pinnacle 661, Middlesborough.

BOONE.

Good Faith 95, Florence, Elanger P. O. Burlington 264, Burlington. Boone Union 304, Union, Gunpowder P. O. Hamilton 354, Big Bone. Belleview 544, Mackville, Grant P. O.

BOURBON.

Paris 2, Paris. Amity 40, Millersburg. Washington 79, North Middletown. DeWitt Clinton 86, Clintonville. Hope 246, Flat Rock.

BOYD.

Hampton 235, Catlettsburg. Poage 325, Ashland. Cannonsburg 383, Cannonsburg. Green Hill 521, Garner.

BOYLE.

Franklin 28, Danville. Harvey Maguire 200, Perryville. T. W. Wash 430, Station Point, Rolling's P. O., Casey county.

BRACKEN.

Augusta So, Augusta. Brooksville 154, Brooksville. Foster 274, Foster.

BREATHITT.

Breathitt 649, Jackson.

BRECKENRIDGE.

Breckenridge 67, Hardinsburg. Cloverport 133, Cloverport. Bewleyville 228, Bewleyville. Hudsonville 262, Hudson. Johnston 294, Webster. Stephensport 406, Stephensport. Custer 624, Custer. Big Spring 674, Big Spring.

BULLITT.

Bullitt 155, Shepherdsville. Salt River 180, Mt. Washington. Miles 341, Knob Creek, Cupio P. O. McNeil 586, Lebanon Junction.

BUTLER.

Rochester 270, Rochester.
Cassia 272, Morgantown.
Woodbury 280, Woodbury.
Sugar Grove 359, Sugar Grove.
Reedyville 438, Reedyville.
Caney Fork 477, Concord Church, Townsville P. O.
Logansport, U. D., Logansport.

CALDWELL.

Clinton 82, Princeton. Fredonia 247, Fredonia. Rascoe 471, Farmersville, Rufer's P. O.

CALLOWAY.

Murray 105, Murray. Concord 188, New Concord. Temple Hill 276, Temple Hill, Buena P. O. Hico 372, Hico. New Providence 496, New Providence. Crossland 642, Crossland.

CAMPBELL.

Alexandria 152, Alexandria. Robert Burns 163, Newport. Mayo 198, California. Newport 358, Newport. Henry Barnes 607, Dayton.

CARLISLE.

Milburn 170, Milburn. Palestine 481, Palestine Church. Bardwell 499, Bardwell. Arlington 582, Arlington.

CARROLL.

Carrollton 134, Carrollton. Ghent 344, Ghent. Worthville, 681, Worthville.

CARTER.

Trimble 145, Grayson. Willard 626, Willard. Olive Hill 629, Olive Hill.

Mintonville 392, Mintonville. Casey 424, Phil. Middleburg 594, Middleburg.

Hopkinsville 37, Hopkinsville. Lafayette 151, Lafayette, Bennettstown Fairview 214, Fairview. James Moore 230, Pee Dee. Pembroke 288, Pembroke. Forest 308, Beverly.
L. M. Cox 327, Crofton.
Long View 416, Long View.
Consolation 421, Consolation Church,
Crofton P. O.

·CLARK.

Winchester 20, Winchester. Witchester 20, Witchester.

Right Angle 233, Right Angle, Ruckerville P. O.

Ford 444, Ford.

W. H. Cunningham 572, Schollsville, Hedges' P. O.

Pine Grove U. D., Pine Grove.

Manchester 316, Manchester. Robert Clark 646, Sexton's Creek.

·CLINTON.

Albany 206, Albany.

CRITTENDEN.

Dycusburg 232, Dycusburg. Bigham 256, Marion. Zion Hill 371, Weston. Shady Grove 559, Shady Grove. Hurricane 571, Tolu. Liberty 580, Frances.

CUMBERLAND.

Cumberland 413, Burksville.

Owensboro 130, Owensboro. A. G. Hodges 297, Whitesville. Marks 318, Chalybeate Springs, Ensor Monsarrat 379, Bushy Fork Church, Corena P. O. John J. Daviess 3So, Sugar Grove Church, Masonville P. O. J. H. Branham 436, Philpot. W. M. Winstead 466, Pleasant Grove.

J. M. S. McCorkle 355, Brownsville. McLure 539, Rocky Hill Station.

Hepburn 576, Martinsburg, Sandy Hook . O. Elliott 653, Stark.

ESTILL.

Irvine 137, Irvine.
Bibb 368, Mt. Tabor, Miller's Creek P. O.
O. D. Henderson 437, Station Camp.
Estill 469, near Sams P. O.
HANCOCK.
Lewisport Stafford 562, Fitchburg Furnace P. O.

FAYETTE.

Lexington 1, Lexington. Devotion 160, Lexington.

FLEMING.

Fleming 112, Flemingsburg. Hieming 112, Flemingsburg.
Hillsboro 271, Hillsboro.
Meridian 278, Poplar Plains.
Elizaville 510, Elizaville.
Mt. Carmel 513, Mt. Carnel.
Favorite 581, Fairview, Oakwood P. O.
Masonic W. and O. Home 595, Tilton.
J. W. Knapp 605, Franklin's Mill, Plummer's Landing.

FLOYD.

Zebulon 273, Prestonsburg.

FRANKLIN.

Hıram 4, Frankfort.

Roberts 172, Fulton. Crotona 671, Cayce. Fulton 678, Hickman.

GALLATIN.

Tadmor 108, Warsaw. Napoleon 216, Napoleon. Glencoe 498, Glencoe.

GARRARD.

Lancaster 104, Lancaster. Paint Lick 140, Manse.

GRANT.

Grant 85, Williamstown. Carter 45%, Mason. Stewartsville 519, Stewartsville. Corinth 584, Corinth.

GRAVES.

New Retreat 283, Lowes. Hinton 369, Mayfield. Farmington 382, Farmington. Landrum 448, Wingo. Cuba 644, Cuba. Mayfield 679, Mayfield.

GRAYSON.

Leitchfield 236, Leitchfield. Ark 367, Millerstown. Pilgrim 545, Shrewsbury. Clifty 599, Big Clifty. Caneyville 635, Caneyville.

GREEN.

Greensburg 54, Greensburg. Little Barren 552, Monroe.

GREENUP.

Greenup 89, Greenup.

HARRISON.

St. Andrew's 18, Cynthiana. Taylor 164, Kelat. Mullins 206, Rutland. Thomas Ware 340, Claysville, Sunrise P. O. Cracraft 652, Sylvan Dell.

Hancock 115, Hawesville. Lewisport 303, Lewisport. Pelleville 667, Pelleville.

HARDIN.

Morrison 76, Elizabethtown. Barker 129, West Point. Stephensburg 212, Franklin Cross Roads. Vine Grove 603, Vine Grove. Hardin Springs 613, Hardin Springs. Meeting Creek 641, Meeting Creek. Vertrus 658, Vertrus.

HARLAN.

Gibson 553, Mt. Pleasant, Harlan P. O. Wallin's Creek 666, Wallin's Creek.

HART

Green River 88, Munfordville. Bear Wallow 231, Horse Cave. Little Barren 552, Monroe.

HENDERSON.

Jerusalem 9, Henderson. Cairo 385, Cairo. Pleasant Valley 403, Robard's.

HENRY.

Simpson 189, New Castle. Henry 249, Campbellsburg. Eminence 282, Eminence. Garfield 630, Turner's Station.

HICKMAN.

Hickman 131, Clinton. Model 200, Moscow. Baltimore 361, Pleasant Valley Ch., Bugg P. O. Spring Hill 574, Spring Hill. Columbus 650, Columbus.

HOPKINS.

Madisonville 143, Madisonville.
Ashbysburg 248, Ashbysburg.
C. S. Hoffman 252, Nebo.
Orphans' Friend 523, Mt. Carmel Church,
White Plains P. O.
E. W. Turner 548, Earlington.
St. Charles 608, St. Charles.
Beulah 609, Beulah, Silent Run P. O.
Dawson 628, Dawson.
Dalton 663, Dalton.
Hanson, U. D., Hanson.

JACKSON.

Pond Fork 601, Anneville. Indian Creek 614, Clover Bottom. Bevis 651, Alcorn.

EFFERSON.

Abraham 8, Louisville, Temple.
Mt. Zion 147, Louisville, 1st and Market.
Lewis 191, Louisville, 20th and Portl'd av.
Philip Swigert 218, Fisherville.
Compass 223, Louisville, 451 W. Jefferson.
Willis Stewart 224, Louisville, 451 W. Jefferson.
St. George 239, Louisville, 451 W. Jeffers'n.
Excelsior 258, Louisville, 1st and Market.
Robinson 266, Louisville, 1st and Market.
Preston 281, Louisville, 808 E. Main.
Falls City 376, Louisville, Temple.
Louisville 400, Louisville, 444 W. Jefferson.
Harrod's Creek 456, Harrod's Creek.
Kilwinning 506, Louisville, 1126 W. Market.
Valley 511, Orell.
Aurora 633, Louisville, 1126 W. Market.
Parkland 638, Parkland, 28th and Dumesnil.

JESSAMINE.

Hart 61, Nicholasville. Ion 301, Little Hickman.

IOHNSON.

Paintsville 381, Paintsville. Flat Gap 616, Flat Gap. East Point 657, East Point.

KENTON.

Covington 109, Covington. Bradford 123, Independence. Col. Clay 159, Covington. Golden Rule 345, Covington. Wilmington 362, Fiskburg. Sam. Reed, 478, Ludlow.

KNOX

Mountain 187, Barbourville.

LARUE.

B. R. Young 132, Hodgenville. Buffalo 570, Buffalo.

LAUREL

McKee 144, London Pleasant Hill 535, McWhorter. Robinson Creek 591, Lynn Camp.

LAWRENCE.

Apperson 195, Louisa. Jake Rice 606, Blaine.

LEE

Proctor 213, Beattyville. St. Helens, U. D., St. Helen.

LESLIE.

Hyden 664, Hyden.

LEWIS.

St. Mary 240, Concord. Polar Star 363, Vanceburg. Robert M. Owens 588, Tollsboro.

LINCOLN.

Lincoln 60, Stanford.
Hustonville 184, Hustonville.
Waynesburg 328, Waynesburg.
Derrick Warner 561, Preacherville.
McKinney 631, McKinney.
Crab Orchard 636, Crab Orchard.

LIVINGSTON.

Salem 81, Salem Smithland 138, Smithland. Grand Rivers 660, Grand Rivers. Carrsville 665, Carrsville.

LOGAN.

Russellville 17, Russellville.
Gordonsville 217, Gordonsville.
Adairville 238, Adairville.
Ausonia 275, Ferguson.
Lewisburg 324, Lewisburg.
Auburn 374, Auburn.
Gasper River 391, Gasper River Academy,
Auburn P. O.
Red Oak Grove 573, Red Oak Grove, Mortimer P. O.

LYON

Joppa 167, Pisgah Church, Star Line Works P. O. Suwanee 190, Kuttawa. Parkersville 484, Lamasco.

MADISON.

Richmond 25, Richmond.
Madison 183, Kirksville.
Kingston 315, Kingston.
Waco 338, Waco.
Daniel Boone 454, Foxtown, White Hall
P. O.
J. D. Hamilton 578, Union City.
Berea 617, Berea.

MAGOFFIN.

Ashlar 531, Salyersville.

MARION

Lebanon S7, Lebanon. Marion 136, Bradfordsville.

MARTIN

Crescent, U. D., Inez.

MARSHALL.

Briensburg 401, Briensburg. Calvert City 543, Calvert City. T. L. Jefferson 622, Olive.

MASON.

Confidence 52, Maysville.
Minerva 116, Minerva.
Sardis 196, Sardis.
Germantown 207, Germantown.
Charity 279, Mayslick.
Mason 342, Maysville.
Fox 386, Dover.
Hiram Bassett 395, Lewisburg, North
Fork P. O.

McCRACKEN.

Paducah 127, Paducah. Haywood 360, Harmony Church, Massack P. O. Plain City 449, Paducah.

McLEAN.

Livermore 186, Livermore. Mason's Creek 423, Beech Grove. Glenville 522, Glenville. Vienna 648, Calhoon. Sacramento 677, Sacramento.

MEADE.

Harrison 122, Brandenburg.

MENIFEE.

Beaver 505, Frenchburg.

MERCER.

Warren 53, Harrodsburg. St. John's 125, Salvisa, Kirkwood P. O. McAfee 229, Cornishville. T. N. Wise 349, Dugansville. Duncan 502, Duncansville, Duncan P. O. Eldorado 618, McAfee.

METCALFE.

James F. Keel 320, Center. Trowel 373, Summer Shade. Renick 549, Dripping Spring Church, Randolph P. O. Beachville 619, Beachville, Alone P. O.

MONROE.

Tompkinsville 321, Tompkinsville.
Loving 323, Fountain Run.
H. A. M. Henderson 515, Bethlehem,
Mud Lick P. O.
Flippin 647, Flippin.

MUHLENBERG.

Pond River 244, Greenville.

Muhlenberg 415 South Carrollton.

John T. Crandell 457, Antioch Church,
Earle's P. O.

Bremen 596, Bremen.
Central 673, Central City.

MONTGOMERY.

Mt. Sterling 23, Mt. Sterling. Zerubbabel 199, Judy. Alma 322, Camargo.

MORGAN.

Highland 311, West Liberty. Ezell 550, Ezell. Grenville 655, Walnut Grove, Caney P. O. Maytown 656, Maytown.

NELSON.

Duvall 6, Bardstown. Bloomfield 57, Bloomfield. New Haven 215, New Haven. Dunavan 292, Boston. Fairfield 441, Fairfield.

NICHOLAS.

Dougherty 65, Carlisle.
B. F. Reynolds 443, Moorefield.
Lower Blue Lick 495, Rafferty's Store, Blue Lick Springs P. O.
Orient 500, Headquarters.
Fitch Munger 542, Willow Valley, Davidson P. O.
Wm. S. Fant 585, Pleasant Valley Mills.

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Ceralvo 253, Ceralvo.
Rockport 312, Rockport.
Cromwell 420, Beaver Dam.
Jo. Ellis 473, Bell's Run Church, Westfield
P. O.
Rosine 556, Rosine.
Fordsville 600, Fordsville.
Hartford 675, Hartford.

OLDHAM

Fortitude 47, Lagrange. Westport 165, Westport.

OWEN.

Owen 128, Owenton.
Sparta 260, Sparta, Sparta P. O., Gallatin Co.
East Owen 411, Lusby's Mills.
Keystone 470, Pleasant Home.
W. G. Simpson 472, Monterey.
New Columbus 546, New Columbus.
Bethany 560, Bethany.
Dallasburg 621, Wheatley.
Jonesville 637, Jonesville.

OWSLEY.

Booneville 425, Booneville. New Hope 564, New Hope, Traveler's Rest P. O.

PENDLETON.

DeMoss 220, DeMossville. Orion 222, Falmouth. Aspen Grove 397, Peach Grove. Bostwick 508, Butler. Knoxville 554, Knoxville.

PERRY.

Hazard 676, Hazard.

PIKE.

Thos. C. Cecil 375, Pikeville.

POWELL.

Stanton 352, Stanton. Powell 645, Clay City. Filson, U. D., Filson.

PULASKI.

Somerset 111, Somerset.
Mt. Gilead 255, Science Hill.
Sievers 491, Mt. Pisgah, Faubush P. O.
Pulaski 551, Baine's Store.
Burnside 634, Burnside.
Woodstock 639, Woodstock.

ROCKCASTLE

Brodhead 566, Brodhead. Ashland 640, Mt. Vernon.

ROBERTSON.

Mt. Olivet 291, Mt. Olivet. Bratton's Mill 475, Bratton. Arba 620, Kentontown.

ROWAN.

Phelps 482, Farmer's. Morehead 654, Morehead.

RUSSELL.

Russell 284, Jamestown. Lairsville 533, Lairsville.

SCOTT.

Mt. Vernon 14, Georgetown.
Oxford 176, Oxford.
I. T. Martin 459, Mt. Olivet Church,
Stonewalt P. O.

SHELBY.

Solomon 5, Shelbyville. Wingate 161, Simpsonville. Harrisonville 520, Harrisonville. Shelby 662, Waddy.

SIMPSON.

Simpson Benevolent 177, Franklin. New Salem 462, New Salem Church, Temperance P. O.

SPENCER.

Taylorsville 210, Taylorsville. Mt. Eden 263, Mt. Eden. Elk Creek 485, Elk Creek.

TAYLOR.

Pitman 124, Campbellsville. Tampico 419, Tampico. Mystic Tie 450, Saloma. Elkhorn 568, Elkhorn. Willowtown 632, Willowtown. Andy Bowen 670, Spurlington.

TODD.

Vesper 71, Elkton. Bethel 204, Trenton. Kırkmansville 615, Kirkmansville. Guthrie 669, Guthrie.

TRIMBLE.

Bedford 158, Bedford. Milton 461, Milton.

TRIGG.

Cadiz 121, Cadiz.
Roaring Spring 221, Roaring Spring.
Canton 242, Canton.
Mark Tyler 319, Wallonia.
J. C. Whitlock 487, Caledonia.
Berkley 567, Golden Pond, Laura P. O.

UNION.

Morganfield 66, Morganfield.
Caseyville 168, Caseyville.
Union 219, Uniontown.
Bordley 390, Bordley.
Shiloh 453, Shiloh School House, Grove-Center P. O.
DeKoven 577, DeKoven.
Kelsey 659, Sturgis.

WARREN.

Bowling Green 73, Bowling Green. Harney 343, Woodburn. Goshen 503, Bay's Fork P. O. T. B. Gossom 555, Grider's School-house, Phalan P. O. Flat Rock 563, Flat Rock, Pokeville P. O.

WASHINGTON.

Springfield 50, Springfield. Magnolia 201, Mackville. J. Speed Smith 208, Willisburg. Texas 501, Texas.

WAYNE.

Monticello 431, Monticello. Parmleyville 526, Mt. Pisgah. Otter Creek 530, Gap Creek. Weaverton 627, Weaverton, Frazer P. O. Freedom 643, Pleasant Hall, Sunny Brook. P. O.

WEBSTER.

Ashbysburg 248, Onton. Carlow 314, Carlow. Slaughtersville 347, Slaughtersville. Dixon 467, Dixon. Bailey 538, Sebree. Campbell H. Johnson 604, Poole's Mills.

WHITLEY.

Eginton 490, Williamsburg. Boston 593, Jellico, Jellico, Tenn., P. O. Woodbine 623, Woodbine. Cooper 668, Corbin.

WOLFE.

Cox 464, Campton. Mizpah 507, Hazel Green.

WOODFORD.

Landmark 41, Versailles.. Buford 494, Midway.

RULES

FOR

CONDUCTING BUSINESS IN LODGE.

[Index follows these Rules.]

NOTE -A thorough knowledge of these Rules is essential to every Master if he would preside intelligently and dispatch business with satisfaction to himself and his brethren. Such knowledge will qualify any brother to preside in any assembly of the Craft, and all ought to become familiar with them.

THE RULES.

- 1. When the gavel sounds all take their places and are silent.
- 2. In the business of the lodge, the Master must enforce the rules (R. 69), and any member may insist upon it. In the "work" the Master's pleasure governs.
- 3. When presiding the Master refers to himself as "the Master" or "the Chair." When he rises or speaks, silence prevails. He can not discuss questions from the East. If he participates in debate he first vacates the chair and does not resume it until the question is disposed of.
- 4. The Master does not rise to state² a question, but rises to put³ it. He should suggest how a motion can be constructed to bring a matter properly before the lodge rather than rule out an inadmissible motion.
- 5. If a brother yields the floor, except for explanation, he surrenders his right to it.
- 6. When a brother is speaking no one shall interrupt him, except to call him to order, or as in Rule 23; nor pass between the speaker and the East, or entertain conversation.
- 7. In speaking, every brother respectfully addresses the "Worshipful Master" according to usage (not the lodge, except on special occasions), standing in his place; confines himself to the subject before the lodge; avoids personalities and indecorous manner, language, or tone. He never calls another by name (R. 15), but refers to him as "Brother Senior Warden;" "the brother who last spoke;" or "the brother on my left," etc. When done, sit down.

I He never calls himself "Worshipful Master," though others very properly do so. 2 To "state" a question, is to state what it is, and it is very important that it be stated exact and correct, so that the Secretary may get it right. The motion as stated by the Chair is the motion voted on, no matter whether it be as moved or not. If the Chair states it wrong, attention should be called to that fact at once.

3 To "put" a question is to put it to vote.

- 8. If several rise together the Master awards the floor to the one who, in his opinion, first addressed the Chair, or first rose.
- 9. No member speaks more than once until all who desire have spoken, nor more than twice or longer than ten minutes without consent of the lodge (R. 13).
- 10. Non-members may speak once, by permission of the Master, but no more, except to explain, or by consent of the lodge.
- 11. Points of order raised when the Master is putting a question are peremptorily decided. He may afterward give reasons for his decision (R. 16).
- 12. A brother called to order may concisely and very briefly respond to the point raised; then sit down. If decided in his favor he may proceed; if otherwise he is admonished and may proceed, unless he transgressed the rules of decorum; when, if any object, he can not continue without leave (R. 13).
 - 13. Motions to grant leave are undebatable and can not be amended.
- 14. On a call to order for words spoken the Secretary takes them down immediately and reads them aloud before further debate.
- 15. For violation of the rules, the Master first admonishes in general terms or sounds the gavel; if repeated he may call the brother by name, and for continued misconduct or gross discourtesy, may direct the offender to retire; if he refuse the Senior Warden immediately prefers charges.
- 16. The Master decides question of law or order, and may give his reason therefor (R. 11, 17). His decisions are recorded.
- 17. The Master may ask advice, which is given sitting; or he may take the sense of the lodge. If the Master entertains an unparliamentary question, or submits to the lodge one within his province to determine (R. 16), it is beyond his control, unless a violation of law, which he must enforce.
- 18. No motion can be debated until seconded2 and audibly stated by the Master or read by the Secretary; when so stated or read it is "in possession" (except R. 41, 51, 61). To argue a question under color of explanation or inquiry before it is in possession; or such procedure with undebatable questions are improper.
- 19. A motion in possession may be withdrawn3 by general consent before amendment, or on motion without debate or amendment; neither motion need then be recorded. Amendments unamended may be so with-
- 20. A motion is reduced to writing and audibly read by the Secretary before debate or action if any member desire it.
 - 21. The maker of a motion may vote, but can not speak against it.

I This should not exceed one moment, generally, and except as in Rule 11.

2 If the Master is a member of the lodge he may entertain a motion without a second from the floor, for being a member he practically seconds it when he entertains it.

3 The idea that a mover of a motion, after it has been stated, can withdraw it, with or without consent of the seconder, is erroneous. He may do so before it is "in possession" of the body. The instant it is properly in possession it becomes the property of the body, and can not be given up without its consent. It may be withdrawn thus: The Master says: "If there is no objection the motion will be withdrawn." (Pauses.) "The Chair hears no objection; the motion is withdrawn." If objection be made, a motion to permit it to be withdrawn is necessary. sary.

- 22. But one motion can be made at a time (R. 41), therefore, to make a motion, and, at the same time, move to lay it on the table is inadmissible1
- 23. When a motion is first introduced a brother may, before debate, "object to the consideration of the question." It requires no second, and may be done when another has the floor. The Master immediately puts it thus: "Will the lodge consider the question? As many," etc. (R. 62). If negatived by a two-thirds' majority the question can not be again introduced at that meeting (R. 28, 37).
 - 24. Offering a resolution is equivalent to moving its adoption.
- 25. When a question is under debate no other motion shall be in order
 - 1st. To lay it on the table. Undebatable; can not be amended (R. 22, 50.)
 - 2d. To terminate debate. Undebatable; can not be amended (R. 27, 65.)
 - 3d. To postpone it definitely-i. e., to time specified-allows strictly limited debate on propriety of postponement.
 - 4th. To commit or re-commit it, opens main question for debate, if instructions are added; otherwise debate on motion to commit or recommit only.
 - 5th. To amend it. This motion, "to strike out" words or paragraphs; "to strike out" words "and insert" others, naming them; to "substitute" a different motion on the same subject. Until decided an amendment precludes all other amendments to the main question. An amendment to an amendment can not be amended. The last amendment is first acted on, then if there be no other offered, the next, and so on back to the main question (R. 41, 50, 64).
 - 6th. To postpone it indefinitely opens main question for debate, but can not be amended. If decided affirmatively the question can not be considered again for three months (R. 39).

Any of the higher order of these motions may be made while a lower one is pending.

- 26. Any member may demand that the question be divided into two or more distinct questions, as specified, so as to get a separate vote upon each; provided each part be so distinct that if either or any be taken away the other would be consistent and entire.
- 27. The Master may "terminate debate"2 (R. 65) at any time (except in R. 28); or, at his option, put that question to the lodge (R. 17), or entertain

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I The reasons are: 1st. Because it is misleading, and complicates business to embrace different matters in one motion. For this reason a single member may demand that a question be divided (R. 26). 2d. Reconsideration is generally a debatable question (R. 39, 40, 46), and to table a matter is undebatable (R. 25, 1st). 3d. It is a resort to parliamentary tactics unfamiliar to the many, rather than by fair dealing that all may understand.

2 "The previous question" is excluded from Masonic lodges, but I have never heard a sound reason for it. It is admitted into some Grand Lodges—properly so. While Mackey, by strained reasoning, opposes the previous question, he "sees no reason why a motion to adjourn the debate might not be made." This effort to reach a just conclusion while adhering to an absurd usage is amusing. "Adjourn the debate" sine die? or temporarily? Why not say what we mean? We do not object to terminate debate by motions to lie on the table, even if avowedly made to kill a measure before it has been debated at all.

such motion (which is undebatable). If carried, debate ceases,1 and if no other action is proposed the vote is taken upon the amendments under consideration; if none, then on the main question. Unlike "the previous question," its functions are to suppress discussion upon the pending question only, and may be renewed as above, whenever any business inter-

- 28. A brother can not be deprived of his right to explain his own motion, resolution or report.2
- 29. A motion to limit debate either as to the number or length of speeches is not debatable.
 - 30. Vote by ballot is taken on request of five members (R. 31, 54).
 - 31. A blank ballot expresses nothing, and can not be counted (R. 30).
- 32. The ayes and noes are taken and recorded when demanded by five members. First the members, then the officers according to rank, begining with the junior (when practicable); each rises and votes when his name is called (R. 66).
- 33. Every member present when the question was put will vote unless personally interested or excused by the lodge. He rises, tersely gives reasons why he ought to vote or desires to be excused, and the Master may, if he chooses, put the question at once: "Will the lodge excuse Bro. from voting?3 As many," etc. (R. 62), or he may put it as in Rule 62b, without a formal motion (undebatable). If not so present, or if he be interested, a member can not vote.
- 34. In case of a tie the Master gives the casting (and but one vote) except on demand for the ayes and noes (R. 32) or balloting.
- 35. If, on taking the vote, the Master doubts or a division is called for, he decides by count (R 36, 63).
- 36. A division may be called for, when the Master decides the question (R. 35, 63), but before any member enters or departs or any business intervenes.
- 37. A motion lost (R. 38) can not be again considered for three months unless reconsidered (R. 40).
- 38. A motion substantially the same as one disposed of, or inconsistent with the one adopted, can not be entertained at the same meeting (R. 37, 39).
- 39. Reconsideration of a question must be moved (R. 37, 40) by one of a majority which decided it, and at the same meeting, unless he then give notice (which is recorded) that such a motion will be made at the next meeting, at which time, if he fails to call it up, any member may do so; but a ballot can not be reconsidered.4

¹ The Master may terminate debate, according to modern usage, but it would seem that the

brethren have some rights. See proofs under Landmarks 24, 28.

2 The reason is: He, presumably, has given the matter thought, and it would be discourteous and unkind to place him in an embarrassing position by any motion that would prevent him from explaining it. There would be great danger of stirring up a bitterness of feeling under the smart of a course so unjust.

³ Gen. Reg. xii (1721) required that to speak consent of Gr. L. must be obtained.

4 Because under Rule 39 and general practice the mover must be known as having voted with the majority, which would reveal his ballot, and become a gross unmasonic offense. Or the motion might be made for the purpose of showing how he voted.

- 40. A motion to reconsider (R. 39) a debatable question opens the main question for debate; if of an undebatable question it is undebatable, neither can it be amended or reconsidered.
- 41. Blanks are filled before motions to amend (R. 25). Any number of propositions of time or amounts (to fill blanks) are admissible without seconds (R. 18), but the longest time and largest sum must be put first.
- 42. If the reading of a paper called for, or the reading of a paper or speech in debate, be objected to, leave may be granted on motion (R. 13) to read it then or at a future time stated.
- 43. The Master appoints committees not otherwise provided for, the first named being chairman until it meets, when it may select its own chairman if it so desires—unless the Master be first named thereon (R. 61).
- 44. A committee acts as a unit; a majority represents it and signs its report. A minority may present its views and recommendations (R. 45) in writing (R. 61, 68).
- 45. Committees report (R. 44) in writing (or verbally by consent) and present their recommendations or conclusions in suitable form for adoption or rejection.¹
- 46. A committee on making final report is thereby discharged, hence a motion to discharge is erroneous. If partial report is made (or for any reason), the committee may be continued or "discharged from the further consideration of the subject," but a motion "that the report be received, the committee discharged, and the ballot spread," is admissible (R. 22, 44).
- 47. A motion to accept or receive a report or paper is to place it before the lodge for action (R. 51, 61).
- 48. To "file" a paper is to remove it (for preservation) so that a motion to "consider it (or the subject)" is necessary to bring it again before the lodge (R. 49).
- 49. A motion to "receive and file" is inadmissible (R. 22). If entertained it would take a matter into possession without reading or other consideration, and, at the same instant, remove it (R. 48, 62).
- 50. A motion to lay an amendment on the table carries the whole matter to the table with it (R. 22425).
- 51. A paper audibly read by the Secretary is "in possession," except when informally considered (R. 57).
- 52. A petition for degrees or affiliation when received (R. 51) is referred to committee without motion, unless there be objection (R. 62); on report (R. 53) of the committee the ballot is spread by order of the Master and without motion.
- 53. The report on a petition ("favorable" or "unfavorable"), ought never to be recorded.
- 53b. When a paper or subject is referred to a brother or committee, it is withdrawn or reported back (and "in possession") before it can again be considered.
 - 54. Any intimation of, or attempt to ascertain how a brother voted a bal-

¹ To move to "adopt the report," which is merely a statement of facts, is equivalent to verifying the statements, and is unsatisfactory in general. Rule 45 ought to be insisted on.

lot, whether for or against, is grossly out of order and unmasonic. It must be officially noticed by Master and Wardens.

- 55. In elections, if there be but one nomination, the Master may deposit a ballot for the candidate and declare him elected, unless some member objects.
- 56. Motion to suspend a rule, temporarily suspends matters pending which the rule affects, and must be decided first (undebatable and requires unanimity).
- 57. A question may be considered *informally* when members may speak as often as they please and as the Master permits (R. 27). The Secretary keeps a memorandum of the informal action, which is not entered of record, and the lodge can afterwards adopt, alter, or reject it in a regular way (R. 18).
- 58. In closing, all shall sit, "until the Master goes forth"—i. e., removes his jewel or steps from the dais.
- 59. All motions shall be distinctly put. If there be doubt that a question is understood the Master restates it fully and clearly before putting it.

FORMS.

- 60. The following forms shall be observed as far as practicable:
- 61. A committee being ready (R 45), its chairman (R. 43), or some one for him, addresses the Master (R. 7), informs him that the committee to whom such a matter was referred has directed him to report thereon. The Master may say: "If there be no objection (R. 23, 62b) the report will be received now," or, "Will the lodge now receive the report?" (R. 47, 49). When "received" (R. 47) the chairman reads it, or the Deacon or Steward nearest to him promptly carries it to the Secretary to be read (R. 18, 51, 57), or carries it when read by the brother.
- 62. Ordinary questions are put thus: "As many as are of the opinion that, say ave;" then: "As many as are of a contrary opinion, say no." After the vote: "The ayes (or noes) have it." (R. 66), or "The motion is carried," "The resolution is adopted," etc., or the reverse.
- 62b. General consent or in matters of course, the formality of motion and vote is dispensed with. The Master stating: "If there is no objection the minutes will be approved" [or "the petition will be referred to a committee" or "a ballot will be taken," etc.], then pause, then: "The Chair hears no objection; the minutes are approved," [or, "petition will go to a committee," or "ballot will be taken," etc.]
- 63. A count is demanded (R. 35) thus: "Division" or "The ayes (or noes) have it;" the Master immediately says: "A division is called for; those in favor of the motion will rise (done). Brother Senior Deacon, count the vote" (done and reported). The Master sounds the gavel; all sit. "Those opposed will rise." Counted as before and decided.
- 64. On motion to strike out (R. 25, item 5): "Shall the words be stricken out? Those in favor," etc. (R. 61). On a tie vote (R. 31) they remain.

¹ Nominations were the old usage.

- 65. To terminate debate (R. 25, 27): "Shall the debate cease?" etc. If tied (R. 34) the debate continues.
- 66. On demand for record of vote: "The ayes and noes are demanded (R. 32, 62). Those in favor of the resolution will, when their names are called, answer aye; those opposed will answer no."
- 67. To announce result of election: The Secretary reports: "The whole number of votes cast is —. Bro. A received votes; Bro. B votes." Or "Bro. A received all the votes cast." The Master decides: "Bro. —— having received a majority [or all] of all the votes cast (R. 55) is duly elected ——— for the ensuing year and until his successor is elected and installed."
- 68. Report of Committee: The "Finance Committee respectfully report," etc. "The committee appointed to ——— respectfully report," etc. "The undersigned, a minority (of such committee) begs leave to present its views," etc., or "to dissent," etc. (R. 44).

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

69. The Order of Business is not subject to the Master's will; ought to be uniform (R. 2) if practicable. Arbitrary ruling is wronging members and the lodge, hence unmasonic.

The following order should generally be observed. Action should be taken as matters are presented:1

- 1st. Opening at the specified time.
- 2d. Reading Minutes. When "approved" they are signed by the Master and attested by the Secretary.
- 3d. Unfinished Business.
- 4th. Petitions for Degrees or Affiliation and referring same to committee.
- 5th. Reports on Petitions and action thereon.
- 6th. Reports of Standing Committees and action on each.
- 7th. Reports of Special Committees and action on each.
- 8th. New Business.
- 9th. Communications and appropriate action on each.
- 10th. "Are there any sick or in want?"
- 11th. Payment of Dues.
- 12th. Conferring Degrees.
- 13th. Report of Treasurer and Secretary that dues have been paid over and receipted for.
- 14th. Closing (R. 58).
- 70. Motions to lie on the table, or take from the table, can be renewed whenever any business intervenes.

I That is, when a paper is read, or report made, it should be acted on, the information being fresh. This does not, of course, prevent postponement, etc., etc. Rule 25.

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[Change book at once to correspond herewith.]

PAGE 82. Second paragraph is 287 (not 587 as printed).

PAGE 115. Reg. 511. Erase the words: "Distance to be computed by usual traveled route," which were in effect repealed by subsequent adoption of the "air line from lodge to lodge" rule. See Reg. 510.

PAGE 149. The provision forbidding Lodges U. D. to elect officers refers to the annual election, or displacement of the officers appointed by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master. Compare with Reg. 508, 580

PAGE 160. Under "Proceedings" insert: Grand Secretary is authorized (not required) to furnish proceedings on certain conditions without charge. 1870, 80.

PAGE 185, 186. Reg. 982, 983. These were in effect repealed by subsequent action (Reg. 685) which is in harmony with the Constitutional provision that any member "declaring himself aggrieved" may appeal (xiii, 2).

PAGE 350. Pulaski County. Pulaski Lodge 551, postoffice is Cain's Store, not "Baine's" as printed.

PAGE 363. For heading "Petition for Application" read, Petition for AFFILIATION.

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HALL OF Lodge, No		
HALL OF ——————————————————————————————————		
This is to certify:		
	of the above named Lodge, held	
in its Hall on the — day of —, 189—, Brother —,		
a member thereof, was duly elec	ted its Representative, to attend	
the next Communication of the C	Grand Lodge of Kentucky, if the	
Master or a Warden should fail t	o do so.	
1	Secretary, with the seal of said	
(HERE.) Lodge affixed, the date first above written.		
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Secretary.

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AMENDMENTS

TO THE

BOOK OF CONSTITUTION.

1894 to 1898, BOTH INCLUSIVE.

[Figures prefixed is the number of the "Regulation" (in Book of Constitution from pages 41 to 195). Numerals refer to the Article of the Constitution, and figures following them to the Section, thus: "v, 3, \$\frac{n}{2}\$ 10," is Article v, Section 3, Paragraph 10.]

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Page 30, Book of Constitutions—The following is substituted for Article xi, Section 17 (1898, page 52).

DEFUNCT LODGES B. C. 30.

Article xi, Section 17. a. Whenever a charter is declared forfeited by the Grand Lodge, or surrendered by action of the lodge itself, or from any cause, the lodge becomes defunct, all its books, jewels, papers, funds, accounts, furniture and property of every kind shall be the property of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky and subject to its absolute disposal. A lodge is declared to be defunct, within the meaning of the law, when forfeited or surrendered as above, or when it shall have failed to make its regular annual return for two successive years, or when the membership is reduced to six Master Masons or less, but no charter shall be surrendered by the lodge so long as there are seven members who have attained to the third degree and will maintain and work under it, conforming to the laws of this Grand Lodge.

- b. When a lodge becomes defunct, as aforesaid, the last Master, Secretary and Treasurer (or Warden if the Master is dead or absent from the lodge jurisdiction) shall immediately take an inventory of all the lodge property and transmit the same signed or certified to, to the Grand Secretary, and shall also recommend some active, suitable brother to take charge of the property and dispose of it under direction of the agent of the Grand Lodge.
- c. No member of such lodge shall be admitted into any other lodge, nor be entitled to the benefits of Masonry, until he has paid all arrears due from him to such lodge to the Grand Secretary, or has the same remitted by the Grand Lodge.
- d. The Grand Secretary is the financial agent of the Grand Lodge, and as such is authorized to take immediate possession of defunct lodge property. His duties are as follows:
- 1. He shall proceed with reasonable promptness to settle the affairs of lodges that shall become defunct, and shall report to the Grand Lodge.
 - 2. He is authorized to sell everything belonging to such lodges, except-

ing real estate, and ought to dispose of realty upon the best terms practicable, conditioned that the terms of such sale shall be subject to the approval and confirmation of the Grand Lodge, which is in no way to be made responsible for any debt or other liability without its expressed consent. The sale will be made by agreement for a quit-claim deed, subject to approval as aforesaid.

- 3. If the Grand Secretary deems that his presence in the locality of the defunct lodge is essential, he ought to go there, if the Grand Master concurs in his opinion that such presence is desirable. In such cases his actual expenses shall be paid by the Grand Treasurer
- 4. The Grand Secretary, by advice and consent of the Grand Master, may employ counsel in winding up the affairs of defunct lodges, upon such terms as the Grand Master shall approve.
- 5. The Grand Secretary will take steps to collect dues of defunct lodge members, as far as practicable, and to this end may employ some Master Mason in the locality of the defunct lodge, but will not be liable for any laches on the part of such agent under him. Such collections will be on commission and not salary, nor shall his said collector's expenses in any case exceed the amount collected.

DUTIES OF GRAND MASTER.

The following were stricken out (1895, p. 34.)

Article v, Section 3, 10. "To act on the Standing Committee on Work and Jurisprudence."

TRIAL OF A MASTER.

[Article v. Added the following]:

Section 3, ¶ 10. It shall also be his duty, if he has reasonable grounds to believe that any Master of a subordinate lodge has been guilty of unmasonic conduct during his term of office, to suspend him from office, and appoint a commission, consisting of three Past Masters, to investigate and try said Master at once. Said commission shall find the accused "guilty" or "not guilty;" and if found "guilty" he shall be deprived of office; if "not guilty" his suspension shall cease; provided that the action of said commission shall not be a bar to a trial by his lodge for the same offense after his term of office has expired. [Adopted 1897, page 44. Error in designating the section, etc., was made in the proceedings, but is corrected as above. An amendment to this, giving Grand Master greater discretion will come up for action in 1899.]

PAY OF REPRESENTATIVE.

[Article iv., Section 11. Changed to read as follows]:

Section 11. The pay of the Grand Officers, Past Grand Masters for three years only after they have passed out of the office of Grand Master, and the representatives from each subordinate lodge shall be three dollars per day for the time they are actually in attendance upon the Grand Lodge, and three cents per mile coming from and going to the location of their lodge, the distance to be measured by the nearest traveled route. But no

brother shall be entitled to draw pay in a double capacity, and no representative shall receive pay while his lodge is in arrears to the Grand Lodge, or whose dues have been loaned, donated or remitted by the Grand Lodge, or who shall vacate his seat during the session without permission from the Grand Lodge. 1897, page 48.

RETURNS, PAYMENT OF DUES, ETC.

[Article xi., Section 18, 7. Changed to read as follows]:

¶ 7. Any lodge in this jurisdiction failing to comply with the provisions of Sub-section 6, [¶ 6] Section 18, Article xi., of the Constitution, be fined the sum of five dollars, to be due and payable at once; and if the provisions of said Sub-section 6 be not complied with, and the fine or penalty herein imposed be not paid by January 1 next thereafter, the charters of all such lodges shall be arrested. 1898, page 54.

AMENDED REGULATIONS.

ADMISSION.

Without demit.—See Demit 285a.

ACCUSED-See Counsel.

- 20. The accused being represented by his own attorney, it is regular to proceed as if he was present in person, and hence entirely unnecessary for action to be deferred. 1896, page 72.
- 2b. An attorney (counsel) for an accused brother is not required to be an affiliate, but he must be a Master Mason in good standing. 1894, pages 19-55. (See Reg. 208.)

AFFILIATE-AFFILIATION.

5a. A lodge improperly receiving an affiliate [without demit or proper, lawlul, evidence of non-affiliation] is not only liable for his dues, but also subjects itself to punishment. 1896, pages 19, 62.

AGENT.

6a. The Grand Secretary is the constitutional agent of the Grand Lodge in settling the affairs of defunct lodges (Reg. 6), and the Grand Master has no power to appoint any one else to do it. Such interference would be illegal and discourteous; but the Grand Master may employ counsel as in Regulation 8. 1896, pages 21, 62, (xi 17).

AID.

- 9a. It is obligatory upon all Masons everywhere, to supply the wants of a needy brother without regard to the lodge to which he is especially allied as a member. 1894, page 59.
- 11a. The regulations against begging circulars is subject to no exceptions. The loss of a lodge room by fire does not come within the exceptions. 1895, pages 15, 33.

APPEAL!

22a. Even in case of acquittal the right of appeal is recognized. 1872, page 73.

25a. Notice of appeal, if in writing, and handed to the Master or Secretary in time to be presented at a stated meeting of the lodge, is "notice to the lodge" contemplated in Article xiv, Section 2. 1896, page 21.

31a If an appeal be discontinued the case is at an end. An appellant may so end his own appeal [by withdrawing it]. 1895, page 47.

APRON.

31½. The apron is worn: 1st. degree, bib up; 2nd. degree, bib down, apron flowing freely; 3rd. degree, bib down, flowing freely—except when worn as a mark of distinction the left lower corner is tucked up. This is in conformity with the teachings of the oldest charts, and is consistent with the progressiveness of our degrees and the analogy of the operative craft. It is also the teachings of the oldest jurisdictions of the United States. 1896, pages 19, 20. And [the wearing as stated], is to be obeyed by subordinate lodges. 1896, page 62.

BALLOT.

See Candidate-Election.

- 44a. Penalties can only be inflicted by ballot. 1896, page 20.
- 46a. Ballots can not be taken at a called meeting. 1896, page 20; and Article xi, Section
- 54a. A candidate canvassing the members, and obtaining from each one approached the declaration that he did not cast a black ball against him, is not sufficient to declare an error, and no ground to set aside the ballot. It was certainly a strange figure for members to permit a candidate to thus approach them, and should subject each member, who allowed himself to be thus interrogated, to charges of unmasonic conduct for disclosing in that manner how he voted. 1894, pages 20, 55.
- 56a. When a black ball appears on the second ballot it is the duty of the proper (presiding) officer to declare the candidate rejected and permit no discussion of the ballot either in or out of the lodge. 1898, page 17.
- 56b. The law requires the ballot spread the second time when only one black ball is cast. It also allows the member casting the black ball to withdraw same publicly by the second stated meeting thereafter. A black ball was so withdrawn but later than the second stated meeting after it was cast, and the candidate was initiated. The candidate is not supposed to know the law, and having acted in good faith and having been initiated in a regular lodge he is a regular Mason. 1895, pages 14, 33. Material is to remain where placed, notwithstanding blunders. 1896, pages 17, 18.
- 56c. It is necessary to take another ballot (when an unfavorable ballot is withdrawn), but the withdrawal must be in open lodge at the first or second stated meeting after the unfavorable ball was cast. Moreover, the brother must at the same time declare that he cast the black ball. 1896, pages 19, 61.

- '56d. Balloting a third time on an application of a candidate who has been twice rejected is contrary to law. 1896, page 66.
- 63. Authorizing rescinding the election of a candidate is repealed. 1898, page 69.
- 63a. A lodge has no right to rescind its action (ballot) upon petitions. 1898, page 69.

BASSETT, HIRAM-MEMORIAL PRIZE.

65½. It appearing that a sum of \$538.35 has been contributed for the purpose of erecting a monument to P. G. M. Hiram Bassett, deceased, and it having been represented that there is now a monument over his grave, the sum before mentioned will be turned over to the Trustees of the Endowment Fund of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home, and the income therefrom shall be annually devoted to the purchase of a prize, to be known as the "Hiram Bassett Memorial Prize," the same to be awarded by the Directors of the Home to the boys and girls having the highest general average of scholarship and deportment; provided that a sufficient amount be reserved out of such income to keep the ground in order and the grass green about the grave of our brother. 1897, pages 16, 45.

BEGGING CIRCULARS.

See Aid.

BENEFITS.

68a. Those who do not share the burdens of Freemasonry (non-affliliates) are not entitled to its benefits. 1894.

BONDS.

704. The Grand Lodge shall pay no sums of money for premiums on the official bonds of the Grand Secretary, or any other officer of the Grand Lodge. 1894, page 52.

BOOK OF CONSTITUTION.

See Constitution, Book of.

BURIAL.

83a. The lodge was not opened [none being present and authorized to do it], the proceedings were not the action of the lodge. If the Master or Wardens could not be reached, in fact, the deceased ought to have been decently buried by his brethren. They committed no offense in performing ceremonies usual on such occasions, but had no semblance of authority to open a Masonic lodge. Except in cases of absolute necessity the funeral ceremonies should be conducted by the lodge. 1896, pages 17, 62.

88a. When a Mason has been demitted for a year, or at most, two years, lodges should be forbidden to bury him Masonically. The non-affiliate's right or privilege to visit should also be limited as well. 1896, pages 23, 62.

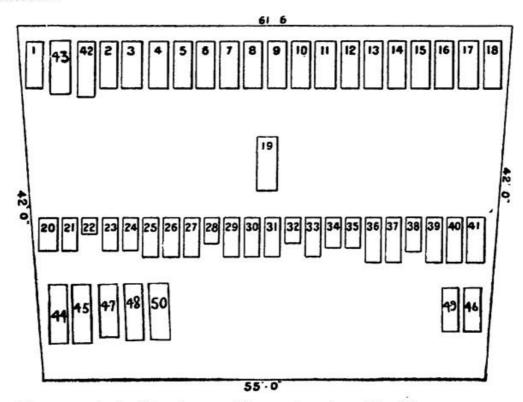
BURIAL LOT.

920. The Grand Secretary shall have charge of the Grand Lodge lot in Cave Hill Cemetery and keep a record of all burials therein, making report to the Grand Lodge from time to time. He may give permits for

burial therein of deceased inmates of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home and of deceased brethren not members of any lodge in Louisville, but whom he has reasonable cause to believe were affiliated Masons in good standing at the time of their death, provided that no scandalous person shall be buried in said lot 1895, page 34.

BURIAL LOT IN CAVE HILL.

Plot of the lot showing location of graves and names of persons buried therein:



Those marked with a dagger (†) were inmates of the Home.

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18. Miss Sallie Ann Crowder.† 35. Robert B. Brooks.†
19. J. M. S. McCorkle, Gr. Sec. 36. Clifford H. Vaught.†
20. Edward D. Bailey.†
21. Louisa Gibbs.†
38. Pearl Caskey.†
   1. Rev. James H. Bristow.
   2. Can not learn identity.
   3. Can not learn identity.
                                                                       21. Louisa Gibbs.†
22. "Lelia." (Unl
   4. Can not learn identity.
                                                                       22. "Lelia." (Unknown.)
23. Jessie Gibbs.†
24. Sciota Denham.†.
                                                                                                                                              39. Miss Margaret Gill. †
40. Livingston Willoughby. †
  5. Lieut. John L. Graham.
6. Dr. A. S. Newton.†
7. Can not learn identity.
S. L. P. Flippo.
9. John P. Ruff.
10. Mrs. Amelia C. Kilmartin.
11. M. V. Stephens.
22. Sciota Denham.†.
25. Lucy Jane Day.†
26. William N. Watson.†
27. Walter R. Ross.†
28. Rhoda E. Miller.†
                                                                                                                                               41. Louisa Haddix.t
                                                                                                                                              41. Louisa Haddix.†
42. Dr. Samuel L. Butler.
43. Frank Pasquier.
44. Mrs. Mary J. Wiggs.†
45. Mrs. Elizabeth Skidmore.†
46. Jeremiah Heinz.†
47. Mrs. Fannie Akin.†
48. Mrs. Lucinda Sutton.†
49. Lames Franct Pelfrey †
11. M. V. Stepnens.

22. Rhoda E. Miller.

23. Rhoda E. Miller.

24. Rhoda E. Miller.

25. Rhoda E. Miller.

26. Rhoda E. Miller.

27. Louisa Johnson.

28. Rhoda E. Miller.

29. Louisa Johnson.

31. Mary Clark.

31. Garnett Ward.
15. Miss Lucinda Mills.†
16. Mrs. Mary Roby.†
                                                                       32. Ethel Holder. †
                                                                                                                                               49. James Ernest Pelfrey.
                                                                       33. Emma C. Johnson.
                                                                                                                                               50. Mrs. Mary P. Stutsman.+
17. W. B. Lewis.
                                                                       34. Jessie Vaught.†
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BY-LAWS.

95a. The by-laws of every lodge under this jurisdiction must conform to the Constitution, By-laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. If any by-law of a subordinate lodge fails in these respects it is

null and void, and will be so decided when a proper case is presented. 1894, page 56.

109a. The Grand Secretary, in compliance with a recommendation of the Grand Lodge at last session, prepared a set of By-laws for use of subordinate lodges. The same has been approved. 1897, pages 9, 40.

CANDIDATE.

See Ballots, Degrees, Examination, Jurisdiction, Objection.

120a. A man who has lost all fingers of his right hand, except the thumb and first finger thereof, can not be made a Mason. Our law is plain; he must be capable of receiving and in turn fully imparting the mysteries. 1896, page 19.

120b. A person whose "left knee" is so stiff that he can not bend it at all, can not be made a Mason. 1897, page 6.

128a. The religious belief of a candidate for Masonry is not a subject for inquiry touching his fitness to become a Mason, "if his trust is in God, his faith is well founded." 1897, page 6.

129a. It is the duty of the Master to refuse to proceed with the degree when evidence of the unworthiness of the candidate is brought to his knowledge. 1898, page 69.

132a. A candidate can be examined and balloted for at a stated communication before the expiration of a lunar month, but the degree can not be conferred until the expiration of a lunar month. 1894, pages 18, 20, 55—1895, pages 14, 33.

133a. No candidate for the degrees of Fellow Craft or Master Mason can be balloted for until after examination in open lodge as to his proficiency in the preceding degree. 1894, page 56.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

See Old Masons' Home.

CHARGES.

140a. A Fellow Craft has no right to require or to demand that charges be preferred against him because black balled for an application for advancement. The ballot is secret, and no authority exists for overriding it. 1895, page 14. Charges against Representatives.—See Reg. 861a.

CHARTER.

166a. No lodge can surrender its charter so long as there are seven or more of the paying members willing to maintain and work under it. 1897, page 43.

166b. A lodge can not have two charters under which it can work. In case of dissension in the lodge one faction might obtain possession of one charter, the other faction of the other, and each might assume to work in defiance of the other. 1897, page 42.

Change of meeting place endorsed on Charter .- See Reg. 658b.

Charter also endorsed in case of change of name. 1898, page 71.

Grand Master recommended issuing duplicates at once in lieu of charters destroyed by fire, etc. 1898, page 18.

COLOR-See Livery.

COMMITTEES-See Trial.

184a. The Master may fill vacancies in committees. 1896, page 72.

185a. A matter is referred to a committee that it may be deliberately weighed and put in proper shape, if need be; then be reported back, with any reasons influencing the committee in reaching its conclusions, that the body may have the benefit of the investigations of its committee, because the body can not make the necessary research. 1896, page 16.

COMMITTEES OF GRAND LODGE.

See Jurisprudence, Constitutional Amendments. Representatives.

195½. Reports (of Committees) ought not to be hastily made, nor be acted on by the committee during the sittings of the Grand Lodge. Committees are supposed to be selected because of the peculiar fitness of those who compose them for the work that may be submitted to them. They are, therefore, just such men as we desire and ought to have present when legislation is being attended to, that we may have their counsels. 1896, page 16.

1980. The Committee on Jurisprudence should be given more time for its labors. The Grand Master will appoint said committee before the meeting of Grand Lodge. Its members meet in Louisville on the day previous to its session at 12 o'clock M., when the committee shall begin its labors. 1896, page 64.

1986. The object of referring proposed amendments of the Constitution to the Committee of Jurisprudence, is, 1st. That the committee may determine whether such amendment "ought to be submitted for the future consideration of the Grand Lodge." If the committee thinks it ought not to be so submitted, the reasons should be clearly stated when it is reported back to this body. 2d. If the committee is of the opinion that the amendment is not in conflict with Masonic usage, and that it may safely be deferred for future action; or, if it is approved, the committee should submit the original proposition with a properly formulated transcript, giving it a designated place appropriate to be made a part of our organic law. 1896, page 16. (See Reg. 203a.)

198c. All committees, when practicable, will so frame their reports by recommendations or resolution that will clearly but tersely summarize each subject discussed, so that the adoption, if approved, may serve as regulations for our future guidance. 1898, page 24.

CONSTITUTION-AMENDMENTS TO.

203a. Hasty legislation is pernicious, and a hastily prepared change of our fundamental law is unwise, sometimes obscure or misleading. Constitutional laws, above all others, demand the most careful preparation and consideration, first, by a committee, before it comes up for action by the Grand Lodge. That the committee may give any proposed amendment due consideration, no amendment ought to be in order unless it is offered in time to be referred and fully digested in committee. Hastily written

amendments are not infrequently offered during the rush of business, often near the closing of the Grand Lodge. These go to the committee and are referred back to lie over, without, in some cases, having been so much as read by the committee. Thus, by a sort of "Senatorial courtesy," the object of reference is wholly lost. 1896, page 16. (See Reg. 1986)

CONSTITUTION-BOOK OF.

203½. The Book of Constitutions can not be commended too highly. It is, perhaps, the most scholarly and complete work on Masonry (jurisprudence) in existence. 1894, page 54.

2031/2 a. Our Book of Constitutions is, without exception, the best digest of Masonic law. Its arrangement is admirable and it is so thoroughly and carefully indexed that the most unskillful and illiterate Mason can find an authoritative answer to any question of Masonic law that may arise law of Grand Lodge requires that this book shall be on the Master's or Secretary's table at every meeting, and in the ancient installation charge to the Master it is said "The Book of Constitutions you are to search at all times. Cause it to be frequently read, that none may pretend ignorance of the important precepts which it enjoins." If the Masters of lodges wish to make their meetings interesting and secure a good attendance of the members, they will find no better way of accomplishing that purpose than by obedience to this ancient charge. The information to be acquired will amply repay for all the time that can be spent in the study of this book, and the Master who thus gives the Craft good, wholesome instructions for their work, will soon find himself at the head of a working and willing lodge, whose meetings will be always pleasant and profitable. 1898, pages 19, 69.

CREDENTIALS.

See Representatives.

To report all legal delegates.—See Reg. 854a.

CUSTODIANS OF THE WORK.

See Grand Lecturer, Work.

213-217 are repealed. 1894, pages 52, 53.

DAVIESS JOS. H.

Sword, etc., presented. (See Reg. 476.)

Knife and Scabbard presented to Grand Lodge. 1872, page 52. [Never seen by present Grand Secretary.]

Gavel from Tippecanoe battle ground, by W. H. Smythe. 1888, pages 30, 59

DEBTS-See Offense.

DEGREES.

See Candidate, Work, Preside.

233a. A candidate may be legally elected to receive a degree before expiration of a lunar month from time previous degree was received, but degree can not be legally conferred on him until expiration of that length of time. 1895, page 44.

DEMIT.

273a. An officer of a lodge has the right to demit before he is installed (if "clear of the books," and no charges pending or suggested) The fact of his election or appointment does not deprive him of this right. 1894, page 54.

278a. A demit was granted, but before the certificate of this action had been delivered the brother deserted his family and run away with his cook. Held, under Regulation 278, also under the general rule that an act may be rescinded if it has not gone beyond the reach or control of the body, the lodge was authorized to "reconsider" its action in granting demit, and proceed to a trial. 1896, page 17.

285a. A lodge admitting a brother to membership without a demit becomes responsible for his arrearages in his former lodge, from which he has not been demitted. This arrearage accumulates until the lodge is informed of his joining another. He is also amenable for his action, as is the lodge that admitted him contrary to the law, in addition to its responsibility for his arrearages with the former lodge. 1896, pages 20, 62.

292a. Authority by Grand Lodge to certain persons, members of defunct lodges, to receive demits from Grand Secretary free of charge is a privilege that must be immediately exercised, and failure to do so for several years will cause the grant to lapse, and such persons must pay the fees. 1895, page 15.

292b. If a lodge remain in a comatose condition for a year it should be treated as a defunct lodge, unless it take immediate and satisfactory steps to rehabilitate itself. In this and similar cases the Grand Secretary is authorized to grant demits, stating the facts when the other requisites for obtaining a demit are complied with. 1896, page 65.

295a. The Grand Secretary is the sole judge of the right to demit by a member of a "defunct" lodge. 1897, page 6.

295b. A lodge can not grant a second (duplicate?) demit (Reg. 251) unless it has evidence (Reg. 253) of the loss of the first one. (Reg. 252.) If a lodge certifies to having issued a demit it would be warning to another to proceed with caution, and would not in any way be liable. 1896, page 21.

2966. Members of a lodge can not grant demits to themselves after surrendering the charter. It is certain that demitted Masons can not surrender the charter of a lodge. 1898, page 43.

299a. Demits are not to be withheld for the sole reason that the seal and records of a defunct lodge have not been returned to the Grand Secretary. 1898, page 70.

3010. Those helping to form or forming a new lodge, though it be of the same name and number, and at the same place formerly occupied by a lodge now defunct, must procure demits from Grand Secretary and petition for affiliation, the same as any other non-affiliate whose lodge is defunct. 1894, pages 19, 55.

DIPLOMA.

308a. Diplomas can only be granted by consent of the lodge to which the applicant belongs, and for a time specified therein, not exceeding one

year, for which time the brother shall have paid dues in advance. It may be renewed upon the same conditions by indorsement of the same document or by certificate under seal referring thereto. Diplomas, and renewals thereof, must be regularly registered by "stub" in a special book or the ledger account of the brother whose signature must appear on the diploma before being delivered into his keeping 1896, pages 25, 63.

DUES TO GRAND LODGE.

335a. When the Grand Lodge donates or remits the balance due from a lodge, and specifies a sum, as such balance, which proves to be in excess of the true amount owing by the lodge as "dues," the Grand Secretary should credit the lodge with the amount sufficient to "square the account" for "dues" and no more. The remission of "dues" does not carry with it any remission of "assessment," which has been repeatedly decided to be "in-alienable." 1898, page 11.

ELECTIONS-ELECTIONEERING.

See Vote.

339½. In reference to speeches nominating candidates for official stations in lodges, Article xv, of the Constitution, not only prohibits one who is a candidate for office from electioneering for himself, but prohibits electioneering by any member of the lodge, for any one else. Officers should not be elected through favoritism, but on account of merit. This is the only construction of said article that will prevent a species of politics from entering Masonry. 1897, page 5

341a. The Master erred in casting a second vote for Master, there being a tie. In no case has he two votes. The election was void, (in such a case) and the old Master holds over. 1895, page 14.

351a. Nominations for office is not inconsistent with the principles and practices of Masonry. 1894, page 19.

3516. Elections by the deposit of one ballot is not correct, and should not be resorted to in subordinate lodges. 1894, page 19.

351c. The vote of a lodge declaring that, after a certain number of ballots have been cast, does not deprive any member from voting for the dropped candidate; and, if he shall have received a majority of all the votes cast, should be declared duly elected. 1894, page 19.

63-Authorizing rescinding election to degree is repealed. 1898, page 69.

EXAMINATIONS.

See Candidate.

372a. No candidate for the degrees of Fellow Craft or Master Masoncan be legally balloted for until after examination in open lodge as to his proficiency in the preceding degree. 1894, page 56.

372b. "Examination in open lodge" means an examination in the lodge when opened, and audibly, so that every one present can hear it. The object is to ascertain if the candidate is proficient, and as every member is to be a judge, each one must hear the examination to be fully advised and a competent voter. Any other examination does not meet the requirements

of the law. Another reason, and an important one, is, that the lodge may be instructed in the lectures. 1896, page 20.

EXPEL-N. P. D.

377a. The action of a lodge for expelling a member for non-payment of dues is illegal and invalid. 1895, page 14.

FISCAL YEAR.

See Year.

FREE MEMBERS.

See Ministers.

GAVEL.

See Grand Master.

GRAND LECTURER.

See Custodians.

407-411-Repealed. 1894, page 51.

GRAND LODGE PROPERTY.

See Grand Secretary, 472a

GRAND LODGE SOVEREIGNTY.

See Jurisdiction of Grand Lodges.

GRAND MASTER.

436a. The lodge should obey the mandate of the Grand Master, and upon refusal of its officers to submit to his decision until reversed by the Grand Lodge, he should regard it as revolutionary and he should take its charter into custody.* 1873, page 59. (See Reg 26.)

451a. The Grand Secretary is instructed to present a gavel, suitably inscribed, to each retiring Grand Master. 1896, page 80.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

454-457—Repealed, and commissions revoked. 1894, pages 21, 61.

454a. The system of Grand Representatives finds its origin neither in the ancient customs of the Order, nor in the necessities of the Craft, but in a vain attempt to follow the practices of civil governments. The intercourse between Grand Lodges can best be conducted through their Grand Secretaries.

454b. Regulations Nos. 454, 455, 456 and 457 are repealed, and all commissions to Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, or its Grand Master, to Representatives of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky near other Grand Lodges, are revoked, and the Grand Master is directed to request the revocation of all commissions to Representatives of other Grand Lodges near the Grand Lodge of Kentucky. 1894, page 61.

GRAND SECRETARY.

To present a gavel to the retiring Grand Master., q. v. (Reg. 451a).

To report intoxication of Representatives. (See Reg. 861a).

To prefer charges against defunct lodge officers. (See 569a.)

^{*} If the Grand Master abuse his power, or is unworthy, he may be treated as may be determined. Old Reg, xix.

472a. The Humane Society and other societies named in his report are permitted to use the Grand Secretary's office for their meetings. It occasions no inconvenience, and the line of work is in keeping with the principles of mercy and charity. Such matters are left to the discretion of the Grand Secretary. 1897, page 46.

472b. That the Grand Secretary is required to publish in the Home Journal not later than the February issue a list of the Masters and Secretaries of the subordinate lodges in this jurisdiction elected in December, together with their postoffice address. 1895, page 49; 1898, page—

472c. The Grand Secretary is the custodian of the property of the Grand Lodge. That all portraits presented to the Grand Lodge, or such as have been secured by payment on the part of the Grand Lodge, are in his care and custody. That the proper place for the deposit of the property of the Grand Lodge, which is in the care and custody of the Grand Secretary, is the Grand Secretary's office. That the location of "Memorial Hall" has never been defined so far as I am advised, and until so defined, and its location settled, it is the duty of the Grand Secretary to collect all portraits belonging to Grand Lodge, wherever they may be found, and remove them to the Grand Secretary's office. 1894, page 19.

GRAVES-DECORATION OF.

See Burial Lot, Lodge, Worship.

476½ It has become the custom to yearly decorate the graves of the dead, and Freemasonry is ever ready to perpetuate the memory of its departed; therefore subordinate lodges are authorized to meet as a lodge or collection of lodges, on any day in the month of June and march in procession to the graves of their dead and decorate the same with flowers with appropriate ceremonies. 1896, page 56.

HOME.

See Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home-Old Masons' Home.

INSTALLATION.

See Preside.

500a. The Master has the right to preside when present and no one can displace him, save the Grand Master, hence he has the right to install his successor But when he is absent, the law provides how his station may be filled. The Master pro tem. is, for the time, invested with all the rights, privileges and duties of the Master in the lodge business, including installation—if he is a Past Master—and is not required to wait on the Master. 1898, page 11.

INSURANCE.

5081/2. Subordinate lodges are urged to insure their lodge rooms, and not wait until the importance and necessity is burned into them. 1897, page 37.

JURISDICTION.

See Law.

510a. Lodge No. — received a petition and conferred the degrees on a candidate when it knew that — Lodge U. D. was in existence, the candidate

residing in the jurisdiction of — U.D. Lodge No. —, violated the jurisdiction of — U.D., and the fact that it had recently been organized was no excuse to No —, because it was older and better equipped. No. — ought to pay over to — Lodge U.D. the fees received. 1894, pages 19, 55.

Reg. 511 says distance is computed by "the usual traveled route." This should be "ascertained on an air line" (Reg. 510), which supersedes 511, being the latest utterance of Grand Lodge.

512a. On the revival of a lodge, its jurisdiction is revived, subject to the regulation that the jurisdiction of a lodge extend to a point half way towards the nearest lodge. 1895, pages 13, 33.

512b. Lodge A received the petition and initiated a candidate who resided within the jurisdiction of Lodge B. This was invading the jurisdiction of B. and in violation of Art. viii, Sec 1. Nevertheless the initiate is a member of Lodge A., which is liable to B. for the fees. (Reg. 512). 1896, page 19.

515a. A candidate may not have been a naturalized citizen of the United States, yet if his home is in Kentucky, he may be made a Mason in our lodges. 1894, page 19.

520a. Kentucky has always maintained the doctrine of territorial jurisdiction and accorded to other Grand Lodges what it reserved to itself, the right to pass upon the fitness of all candidates. 1894, page 55.

5206. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky has never claimed power to act outside of its own jurisdiction, nor will it allow its own action to be controlled by any other body of Masons. 1894, page 55.

522a A lodge having preferred charges against a non-affiliate for unmasonic conduct while in its jurisdiction retains jurisdiction, although the offender should remove into the jurisdiction of another lodge. Of course the lodge having such jurisdiction must use it by giving a speedy trial, or its jurisdiction would lapse. 1895, page 14.

JURISDICTION OF GRAND LODGES.

520c. Authority to a lodge in West Virginia to receive petitions for initiation from persons living in Kentucky, but nearer said lodge than any lodge in Kentucky, is approved. 1895, pages 6, 7, 48.

520d. A communication from the Grand Secretary of Tennessee states that that jurisdiction freely concedes to lodges in adjoining States the privilege of receiving and initiating citizens of Tennessee where residences shall be nearer such lodges than to any lodge in Tennessee, and inquiring whether the Grand Lodge of Kentucky has ever taken any action in this matter. The Grand Lodge of Kentucky conceded to the lodges in Tennessee the right of receiving petitions from and making Masons of citizens of this State residing on our borders where residences shall be nearer to such lodge than to any lodge in Kentucky. 1896, page 64. (See Reg. 429.)

JURISPRUDENCE COMMITTEE—See Committee.

LAW-See Jurisdiction.

535a. It is not the province of Masonry to protect or punish its votaries

for violations of the laws of a State; but, irrespective of the civil tribunals, Masons who violate the laws of Masonry should be punished by the Order. 1895, pag s 14, 33.

535b. A special law has precedence over a general law. 1896, page 18.

LIVERY.

5461/2. The "livery" of the Grand Lodge is crimson. 1800, page 14.

LODGE-LODGE ROOM.

See Insurance, Meeting Place.

May appear in public to decorate graves (Reg. 476½) and for worship. (Reg. 1055).

553a. Renting a lodge room to other parties is a matter for the lodges to determine 1896, page 18

556a. The organization of a new lodge at the same place formerly occupied by a defunct lodge, though it be of the same name and number, does not restore the members of the old lodge to affiliation and membership. 1894, pages 19, 55.

563a. Only the Grand Lodge, on petition of members of a lodge, has power to change its name (1894, page 55), and not the Grand Master. 1896, page 17.

LODGES DEFUNCT.

See Demit.

567a. A lodge which has had no meeting for four years [one year. See Reg. 568a] is "practically dormant," and a candidate who lives within the territory of such dormant lodge may apply to the lodge nearest his residence, and such lodge may legally receive his petition [filing demit of course. Reg. 297]. 1895, page 14.

568a. If a lodge remain in a comatose condition for a year it should be treated as a defunct lodge, unless it take immediate and satisfactory steps to rehabilitate itself. 1896, page 65. (See Reg. 292b).

569a. When the officers of a defunct lodge fails to make an inventory, as required by the Constitution, it ought to be notified as is now done, then if the inventory is not filed within a reasonable specified time, say thirty days, the Grand Secretary should prefer formal charges against the officers and lodge them with the Grand Master for appropriate action. 1896, pages 8, 62.

LODGES U. D. ..

575a. The continuation by Grand Lodge of a dispensation to a lodge U. D. continues its officers. 1895, page 14.

582a. On the death of the Master of a lodge U. D. the Senior Warden succeeds to the government of the lodge, but the Grand Master may, for proper reasons, appoint another Master. 1895, page 14.

MASON-MASONIC-EMBLEMS AND TERM.

587a. The Grand Lodge condemns the use of Masonic emblems, or the term Masonic as a preface in advertising their business by all individuals or companies; and such practice is considered a Masonic offense, and subjects the user to trial. 1898, page 68.

MASONIC BURIAL LOT.

See Burial Lot.

MASONIC WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' HOME.

See Old Masons' Home.

602a. The Grand Lodge has no power to compel the Directors to accept applicants. 1894, page 20.

[Last report of P. G. M. Elisha S. Fitch (extract):

* * * Each passing year demonstrates the utility and efficiency of our beloved Home. Inaugurated in the absence of any guiding precedent, and with more or less of distrust on the part of its original founders and friends; contemplated by many of our good brethren as an Utopian scheme, and by others as an unwarrantable departure from the fundamental principle of voluntary Masonic charity, this organized Home has, nevertheless, well nigh completed the third decade of its eventful history, having meanwhile silenced effectually all opposing clamor and achieved a most phenomenal success. * * *

By the intrinsic excellence of its home influence upon the mind and heart of the helpless children of sorrow and bereavement, and the elevated tone of its teaching, both mental and moral, it has prepared these discharged wards to accept gracefully and hopefully their respective allotments in life.

Within our own and other States we find them to day honoring the walks of private life, engaged in advancing the varied business enterprises of the community and often occupying stations of high public trust and responsibility. These immediate and salutary results of the Home training have been exemplified in our very midst to a most gratifying extent. Many of our former Home boys are now in this and neighboring cities successfully and honorably identified with the interests of commerce and trade, or holding official relations to society involving the highest degree of integrity and worth; while our no less competent and ambitious Home girls are met on every hand discharging well the duties of domestic life as wives and mothers, or winning the golden opinions of their patrons for clerical skill and fidelity, supplying most creditably our corps of teachers in the Home, and prominently assoctated with other charitable and educational institutions of the age. * * *

The present popular State Librarian was formerly a female protege of our Masonic Home, and now enjoys the proud distinction of being honored and applauded by all parties as a competent State official of great personal worth, consummate tact and indomitable perseverence. * * *

Superadded to these local achievements, resulting from the establishment of our Kentucky Home, who can estimate the reflex action and influence of the institution as the legitimate progenitor of the many kindred Homes which have been and are still springing up as with the wand of enchantment all over our Masonic domain, infusing a broader and deeper action of fraternal sympathy and co-operation on behalf of the widow and the

fatherless committed to our protection and care. * * * 1896, pages 49, 56.

Contingent appropriation out of savings from mileage made. 1897, page 49.

MASTER.

See Presides-Lodges U. D.

644a. The successor of a Master who was suspended from office by the Grand Master, having been installed, may prefer charges for the offense for which the late Master was suspended, proceed to trial and dispose of the matter. 1897, page 6.

644b. The power to suspend a Master and terminate the suspension, is vested in the Grand Master. 1898, page 69.

MEETING PLACE.

See Lodge.

658a. There must be an action of the lodge at a stated meeting* asking consent of the Grand Master to remove its place of meeting. The Grand Master can only allow this temporarily, subject to action of the next Grand Lodge. Until a dispensation from the Grand Master is received any meeting of the lodge at any place other than its regular place of meeting is illegal and clandestine. 1894, page 54.

658b. When dispensation is granted to a subordinate lodge to change its place of meeting [or name, 1898, page 71], the authority for changing must be endorsed on the charter. 1897, page 6. 1898, page 70.

MINISTERS.

667a. When one called to preach the Gospel forsakes his calling and engages in secular pursuits, he ceases to be a "Minister of the Gospel" in the meaning of the Constitution, and on such members lodges will be required to pay Grand Lodge dues. In contemplation of said section "Ministers of the Gospel" include members of the Jewish as well as Christian faith whose lives are devoted to the Ministry. 1895, page 15.

"NEGRO MASONRY."

678½. African or Negro Masonry in the United States is declared to be irregular and clandestine. (See full report on its history, and intercourse with the Grand Lodge of the State of Washington cut off for this reason, that body having recognized it) 1898, pages 6, 37-47.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

See Summons, Trial,

Expelling for non-payment of dues is void. See Reg. 377a, 695.

OBJECTION.

704a. Any brother has a right to object to the initiation of any candidate at any time, consequently the lodge itself, by official action, can certainly refuse. 1897, page 43

704b. Any member of a lodge has the right to prevent the initiation or

^{*} After due notice to members, and consent of lodges whose jurisdiction would be affected —See Regs. 563, 65%, 660. 849.

advancement of a candidate by interposing an objection. 1898, page 69. Regulation 63, page 51, touching rescinding an election to take a degree is repealed. 1898, page 69.

OFFENSE.

See Penalty, Masonic.

Using the word "Masonic," or emblems, to advertise business. (See Reg. 225).

714a. The Master of a lodge may be suspended for using profane language. 1894, pages 15, 53.

7201. It is a Masonic offense for a Master Mason to desert his wife and family. It is gross unmasonic conduct. A Mason is bound to obey the moral law and is under peculiar obligations to observe and preserve the sanctity of the marital relations. 1898, pages 11, 12.

724a. Inability to pay debts is not a Masonic offense, but rather a misfortune, therefore a subject for commiseration, but a debtor's refusal to meet pecuniary obligations he is able to meet, being an infraction of the moral law, is a Masonic offense and subjects the offender to discipline 1895, page 15. (See 225).

OLD MASONS' HOME. (Historical)

See Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home.

WHEREAS, The one hundredth anniversary of the establishment of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky—the first west of the Alleghanies— will occur in 1900; and, Whereas, It is deemed expedient that a celebration commensurate with the importance of the occasion be held.

Resolved, That the Grand Master appoint a committee of five who shall formulate and present to the Grand Lodge, at its next session, for its approval a plan for the proper celebration of our Masonic centennial. 1894, page 41.

1895, page 36. The committee reported having commenced obtaining subscriptions, payable annually for five years, to build "in connection with our Widows and Orphans' Home, an Infirmary and Home for aged, infirm, and penniless brother Masons," and (1895, page 40) P.: G.: M.: J. Speed Smith be appointed Agent, with mileage and per diem.

1896, page 5. Grand Master appointed an agent pro tem, and recommended that the proceedings of 1900 contain historical sketches with illustrations (page 69). The committee recommended \$50,000 as the minimum for subscriptions; had received \$25,000 subscriptions. Reported a Secretary under bond. Asked till next session to report on recommendations of Grand Master.

1897, pages 8, 37. Expenses reported. (page 32) Committee reported \$30,250 subscribed, and asked further time on the history recommended in 1896. (page 49), \$500 a year for five years was appropriated to the fund.

1898, page 49. Committee reported \$41,105 subscriptions, Grand Secretary directed to subscribe \$1,000 a year for ten years. The office of Agent was abolished, and \$750 heretofore paid him be applied in payment of the subscription made.

PAST MASTERS-PAST MASTER'S DEGREE.

See Installation.

758a. No brother can be returned as a Past Master of a lodge until he has been regularly "elected and installed." The Past Master's degree is part of the installation ceremonies. 1894, page 55.

763a. There is no reason why the ceremonies should not be printed, so that it could be conferred by the retiring Master on his successor. 1895, page 16.

PENALTY.

See Offenses, Suspension, Expulsion.

768a. Penalties can only be inflicted by ballot. 1896, page 20.

PETITION.

See Candidate, Jurisdiction.

776a. Soliciting petitions for initiation into Masonry is a violation of the written law, and it is contrary to the accepted teachings of the Fraternity, therefore unmasonic. 1896, pages 19, 63.

776b. One who petitions a lodge for membership must be recommended by members of the lodge he petitions. 1897, page 5.

PRESIDE-See Master.

808a. The Master has the right to preside when present, and no one, save the Grand Master, can displace him. When he is absent, the law provides how his station may be filled. 1898, page 11.

8104. The Master or officer presiding, has the right to invite any Master Mason to confer the degrees, provided he is qualified to do so, without regard to his having filled the chair of a lodge, or whether he is a member or visitor. 1894, page 20.

SIIa. The junior Past Master of a lodge, present at a stated or lawfully called meeting (the Master and Wardens being absent), may open the lodge and preside therein when (lawful) business may be transacted. 1896, page 21.

8116. In the absence of the Master and Wardens at a stated or lawfully called meeting, the junior Past Master of the lodge, who may be present, can open the lodge and preside. 1896, page 21, 61.

On death of Master of lodge U. D. See Reg. 582a.

PROPERTY OF GRAND LODGE.

Grand Secretary (q. v.) is custodian.

PUBLIC-TO APPEAR IN.

See Lodge.

RECONSIDER.

831a. Under Regulation 278, and the general rule that an act may be rescinded if it has not gone beyond the reach or control of the body, the lodge was authorized to reconsider its action in granting a demit before the certificate had been delivered. 1896, pages 17, 61.

^{*}Grand Master pronounced the degree "an anomaly and a nuisance, and in my opinion ought to be abolished." 1898, page 17.

RELIEF-See Aid.

847½. The obligation to afford relief is only limited by the Masonic standing of the brother applying for aid, and is not a matter of lodge membership. It is obligatory upon all Masons everywhere to supply the wants of a needy brother without regard to the lodge to which he may be specially allied as a member. 1894, page 59.

847½a. Subscription to the National Masonic Board of Relief is renewed, and the Grand Treasurer is authorized to annually renew said subscription, provided the Relief Board circulars are sent out to subordinate lodges of this jurisdiction. 1898, page 51.

REPRESENTATIVES-See Roll-call.

850a. Hereafter the eligibility of every representative be made a subject of investigation and report by the Credentials Committee. 1897, page 30.

850b. The law (Sec. 4, page 10, Book of Constitution,) provides that the representative of a lodge must be a member thereof. The right of an "honorary member" to be chosen as representative is not conceded. 1897, page 30.

850r. It is the place (duty) of the Master or delegate in attendance at our sessions to be in his seat at all times when the Grand Lodge is in session. 1896, page 74.

854a. "Receipts in full" [Reg. 474] shall be construed to mean an evijudence of such payment, with a statement from the Grand Secretary that the delegate has been registered, and the Committee on Credentials shall report by name or number of lodges all who are legal delegates and representatives legally entitled to receive pay, which shall be a guide to the Grand Treasurer. 1898, page 60.

861a. Should any delegate become intoxicated while acting as representative, and should it come to the knowledge of the Grand Secretary, it shall be his duty to report the act to the subordinate lodge to which the delegate belongs, and the punishment shall be expulsion. 1896, page 58.

RESTORE.

Reg. 872, last line, says a "two-third" vote restores. It should be "unanimous." See Reg. 868, which supersedes 872.

876a. Expelled Masons may be restored to the privileges of Masonry by the Grand Lodge, but not to membership; the restoration to membership can be effected only by filing a petition with the lodge which expelled the petitioner and a unanimous ballot thereon in favor of granting the petition after the same has been referred to a committee and laid over one lunar month. 1895, page 33.

876b. A Mason who has been expelled by a lodge which afterwards became defunct can only be restored by the Grand Lodge. 1896, page 17.

RETURNS.

Past Masters are returned as such only when installed. See Reg. 758a. 88oa. All who are members August 31, at 12 P. M., are to be reported as members and none others. One reinstated September 1 should be reported the next year. 1895, pages 13, 33.

RITUAL.

892b. Kentucky has no printed or written ritual, either in full or in cipher, but recognizes the sovereign right of each Grand Lodge to govern the manner of promulgating its ritual, and none has the right to dictate to it. 1894, pages 18, 55.

892c. Nor has any form of printed or writted work ever received the sanction of the College of Custodians or this Grand Lodge. 1895, pages 13, 33.

ROLL CALL.

See Representative.

894a. It is especially important to a representative that he be present at roll-call, and not leave after first or second call, but wait until the Grand Lodge is closed in due form. 1896, page 74.

SALOON-KEEPERS.

903a. The retailing of spirituous liquors has been so abused as to become a great evil in the social life of our country, so that the prosecution of that business by a Master Mason is inconsistent with his profession of moral character and conduct and calculated to bring the order into public disrepute; therefore this Grand Lodge disapproves the conducting of such business by a Master Mason. 1895, page 41.

SIGNS.

9341/2. We heartily approve the suggestion that the signs be exemplitied at each Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. 1897, page 40.

SUMMONS.

947a. The purpose of a summons is to insure the presence of the party, and if present in person or by attorney, it is immaterial how he, the accused was summoned, and whether he was summoned at all or not. 1896, page 72.

SUSPEND-SUSPENSION.

See Trial, Non-payment of Dues.

952a. Suspension of a Mason for non-payment of dues is a judicial act and should meet all the requirements of the law, otherwise it is unlawful. 1895, page 15.

956a. Suspension for non-payment of dues can not be done at a called meeting, nor without due process as laid down in the Code. 1896, page 20.

956b. Any attempt to suspend a brother without due notice is absolutely void. 1897, page 43.

963a. One year's arrears for dues does not suspend without notice and lodge action. 1894, pages 19, 55.

Having been cited and granted time, disposes of the case. (See 981a.).

TRIAL.

980a. That it was perfectly proper for the Master to appoint competent committeemen to fill vacancies, and especially so in the absence of expressed objection. 1896, page 72.

^{*}Grand Master said use of unauthorized books is a high offense (Reg. 73), and recommended stringent measures in re selling, giving them away, or bringing them into lodge room.

981a. Having been cited to appear, and having appeared and been granted further time in which to pay dues, was time indefinite. This was a final disposition of the case under the citation. Before the lodge can again act upon the case it must again begin proceedings against them by a new notice or citation. Had the lodge granted time to a date fixed it would have had the right to take up the case at the time so designated, and then to have disposed of it. 1895, page 42.

1006a. The records fail to show that either the members of the committee, the secretary or any of the witnesses were "qualified" as is required by law. There is no evidence that a plea of "not guilty" was entered and a counsel appointed to defend the accused, as provided. (Reg. 2, page 41, and Code 18, page 215). These irregularities are fatal to the validity of the case. 1896, page 71.

VISIT-VISITING.

1008a. An objection to the presence of a visiting brother can be made only by a member of the lodge who is present. 1895, page 14.

1008b. Objection to the admission of a visitor does not extend to any meeting except that at which objection is made. 1894, page 56.

1009a. Landmark No. 22, in our "Book of Constitutions," provides that "A Mason in good fellowship with some regular lodge may visit any lodge not his own when it will not disturb the harmony of the lodge visited," Any member of the lodge visited may object to the presence of the visiting brother, and upon such objection being made he should not be admitted. But the objection, if made without any cause being assigned, does not extend to any other meeting of the lodge except that at which it is made, 1894, page 56

1012a. Not only the Master, but any brother, may exclude visitors at any time when, in his judgment, their presence would be detrimental to the interests of the lodge. But his "judgment" in such a case ought not, especially in the case of the Master, to be exercised in an arbitrary or dictatorial or offensive manner. The right of exclusion as well as that of visitation is inherent; but visitors being once admitted to a lodge ought not to be excluded without proper cause being assigned; or upon objection of a brother who shall specify the visitor to whom he objects.

1012b. When visitors, already in the lodge, and not objected to, are requested to retire, the lodge has a right to request them to remain, and a motion to that effect properly seconded is in order. But the right to any by name (Reg. 1012a) remains. 1894, page 56.

VOTE

1016a. When "the lodge" is to decide any question it must be understood that a majority of members present will decide the matter, unless some law requires more than a mere majority. 1896, page 18.

1016b. After full hearing of the matter the lodge, by a majority vote, may declare not guilty [unless a by-law, or some other law requires more. 1896, page 18]. 1895, page 45.

1019a. In the election of a Master there was a tie, and the Master pre-

siding cast a second vote. In no case has the Master two votes; therefore there was no election, and the old Master holds over. 1895, page 14

1020a. The lodge has the right to excuse any brother from voting, whether the vote be by ballot or otherwise. 1894, pages 20, 55.

WORK.

See Custodians, Grand Lecturer, Ritual.

"No form of printed or written work has ever received the sanction of the College of Custodians or of this Grand Lodge." Reg. 892c.

WORSHIP.

See Graves, Lodge.

1055. If any subordinate lodge desires to attend religious worship at any time in a body it shall not be necessary to acquire [obtain] a dispensation from the Most Worshipful to do so. 1896, page 70.

VEAR

1056. The fiscal year ends at 12 o'clock P. M. August 31st. All who are members of lodges at that time must be so reported, and none others. A member reinstated September 1, should not be reported until next year. 1895, page 13.