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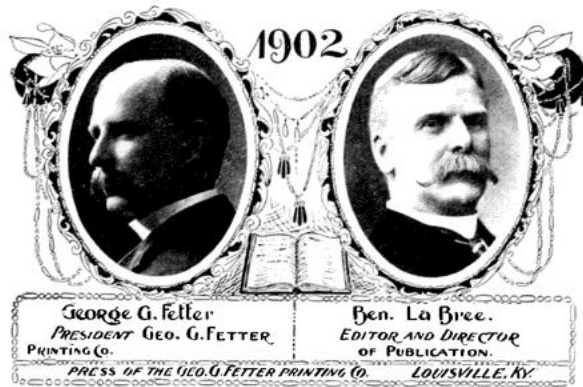
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Preface.

NEARLY a century and a quarter have passed since George Rogers Clark laid the permanent foundation of the present beautiful "Falls City" by planting on Corn Island a blockhouse for the protection of a few families who had followed his army down the Ohio from Fort Pitt. Having made this provision for those who could not accompany him on his history-making campaign. Clark's troops were embarked in flat-boats, and passed over the Falls on June 24, 1778, just as the sun was undergoing a total eclipse. Thus it will be seen that the history of Louisville began with the initial movement in that extraordinary campaign which eventually added the great region lying between the Ohio River and the Lakes to the domain of the rapidly crystallizing States of the American Union.

From that time to this, Louisville has been the theatre of many important transactions, and of many notable assemblies of people gathered within her gates for special purposes or objects. Her fame for hospitality is world-wide, and on every occasion of large assemblies she has proven equal to the duty of their entertainment. Socially she has never failed to acquit herself with credit, and in no instance within her record did she more distinctly or more effectually sustain her record in this respect than during the Twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave of the Knights Templar of the United States, held on August 27-30, 1901.

These triennial gatherings of the Knights Templar, wherever they have been held, have always attracted world-wide attention, not only by the brilliancy of their field evolutions and magnificent uniformed columns of marching Knights, but because they also brought together the flower, the elite, of our American social organization. In the ranks of Knighthood, therefore, are to be found our best citizens, the best defenders of home and morality. Equal if not surpassing in brilliancy and intellectual char-

acter was the Conclave held in Louisville. They came, they saw, they conquered, and no citizen of the Falls City abated his or her effort to greet them cordially and make their sojourn a pleasant one.

As a "birds-eye view" of that brilliant event, participated in by gallant Knights from all over our land, and whose respective or individual duties did not afford them an opportunity to see and participate in all that was done on that occasion, this Souvenir has been prepared, with the hope that in future years a perusal of its pages may revive the recollection of that knightly fraternization on the banks of the Ohio. Such publications have heretofore followed the Conclaves held at other places, and every Knight who now turns the pages of those records is pleased and edified thereby. And so it will, in future years, be the case when the pages of this Souvenir are opened and read, recalling to mind the scenes and incidents attending the meeting of the Twenty-eighth Conclave.

It was the purpose of the Souvenir Book Committee to have issued the work sooner, but owing to the negligence of many Sir Knights to furnish their photographs, and of the appointed officers of Grand Commanderies in sending in the necessary historical matter, the book was unavoidably delayed. But despite all these obstacles, the Committee feels that it has compiled and arranged the essential matter in such a shape that it will not only prove interesting, but also instructive to the reader.

The history of the "Order of the Temple" in each State especially will prove of great value not only to individual Sir Knights, but also to Templar bodies and be helpful to the writers of Knights Templar history in the future.

With a consciousness that they have spared neither labor, expense, nor earnest thought and effort in placing in attractive form the history of this notable gathering within the gates of Louisville, the Committee hereby submits the publication to the generous consideration of Sir Knights who attended the brilliant gathering, as well as those not so fortunate as to participate in it.

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Masonic Chronology.

The following information regarding dates, adopted by the various bodies of Masonry, is of sufficient value to warrant its publication in this book. Dates are carried out for the year of grace, 1900:

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, founded A. D., 1118. Hence, *Anno Ordinis*, 782.
 Second Temple began to be built by Zerubbabel, B. C., 530.
 Hence the ROYAL ARCH, *Anno Inventionis* (Year of Discovery), 2430.
 ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS refer to completion of first Temple, B. C., 1000.
 Hence R. and S. Masters, *Anno Dispositionis* (Year of Deposit), 2900.
 ANCIENT CRAFT MASONS use *Anno Lucis* (Year of Light)—Creation, 5900.

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DATE.	PLACE.	GRAND MASTER.	DATE.	PLACE.	GRAND MASTER.
I 1816	New York	DEWITT CLINTON	XV 1862	New York	BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH
II *1819	" "	" "	XVI 1865	Columbus	HENRY L. PALMER
III 1826	" "	" "	XVII 1868	St. Louis	WILLIAM SEWALL GARDNER
IV 1829	" "	REV. JONATHAN NYE	XVIII 1871	Baltimore	JOHN Q. A. FELLOWS
V 1832	Baltimore	" "	XIX 1874	New Orleans	JAMES HERRON HOPKINS
VI 1835	Washington	JAMES MADISON ALLEN	XX 1877	Cleveland	VINCENT L. HURLBUT
VII 1838	Boston	" "	XXI 1880	Chicago	BENJAMIN DEAN
VIII 1841	New York	" "	XXII 1883	San Francisco	ROBERT ENOCH WITHERS
IX 1844	New Haven	ARCHIBALD BULL	XXIII 1886	St. Louis	CHARLES ROOME
X 1847	Columbus	WILLIAM BLACKSTONE HUBBARD	XXIV 1889	Washington	JOHN P. S. GOBIN
XI 1850	Boston	" "	XXV 1892	Denver	HUGH MCCURDY
XII 1853	Lexington	" "	XXVI 1895	Boston	WARREN LA RUE THOMAS
XIII 1856	Hartford	" "	XXVII 1898	Pittsburg	REUBEN HEDLEY LLOYD
XIV 1859	Chicago	BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH	XXVIII 1901	Louisville	HENRY BATES STODDARD

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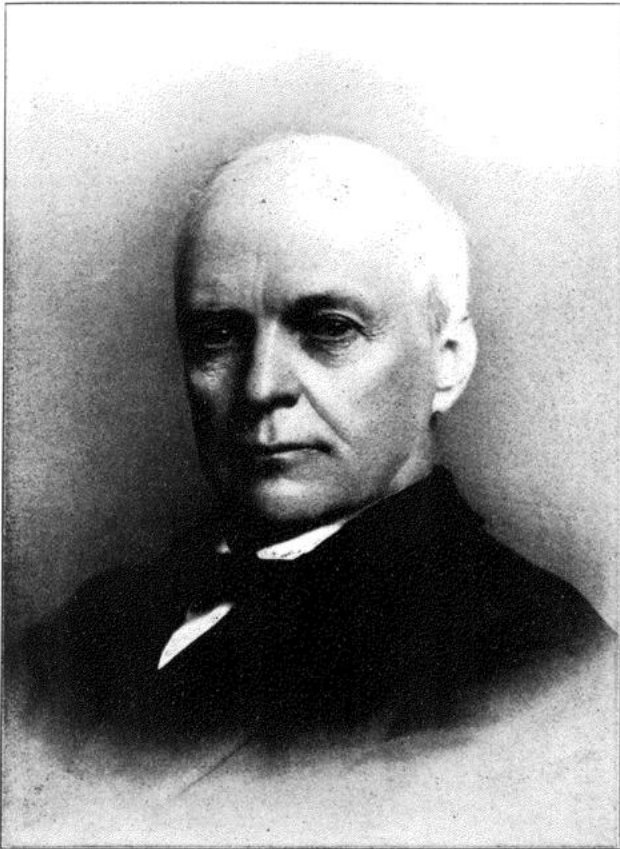
"Eternal, Immortal, Invisible" Ruler and Guardian of all!
Thou great Immanuel, hear our prayer as on Thy name we call.
Guide this "Triennial Conclave" with Thine unerring light,
And send thy choicest blessing to rest on each "Sir Knight!"

From the shores of the broad Atlantic to the land of the Setting
Sun;
From the Northern Lakes to the Southern Gulf, with hearts that
beat as one,
We meet in the Sunny Southland, strengthening every tie
That draws the Templars hither in the name of the Lord Most
High.

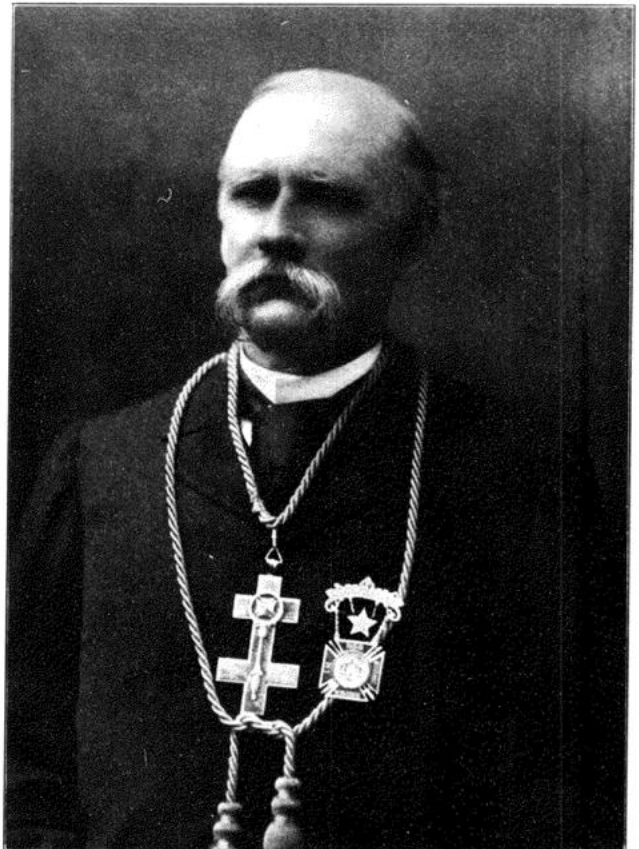
We bless Thee for Christian Knighthood; "Sovereign Master"
divine;
May we worthily wear the title "Soldiers and Servants" of Thine.
Oh radiant "Star of the Morning," how safe—to abide in Thy
light!
So sheltered from threatening peril, so tenderly guided aright.

May we never deny or betray Thee, sole giver of life and breath.
May we honor Thy name in our living, and glorify Thee in death.
After "Pilgrimage, Warfare, and Penance," give each an "Asy-
lum of Rest,"
With the Master's loving welcome "to the peaceful abodes of the
blest."

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Twenty-Eighth Triennial Conclave.

Capture of the City.

THERE was weeping and wailing in the streets of Jerusalem in 1099, when the white clad Knights of the Cross, led by Godfrey, stormed the infidel host defending its walls, put them to the sword, and regained the Holy Sepulchre.

There was joy and hearty acclaim when the plumed Knights of the United States stormed and took the city of Louisville, in August, 1901—without bloodshed—capturing the hearts of her people.

Across this gap of eight centuries, the first quarter of which was marked by a long and hopeless struggle against the Moslem, has come down to us, its militant features eliminated, but preserving intact its humanitarian characteristics and principles—the noble Order of Knights Templar. The blast of the trumpet, the rattle of armor and the flutter of guidons no more kindle the ardor of charging hosts. These are gone from the ranks of Knighthood—gradually eliminated by the steady advance of intelligence and true Christianity. But the banners and insignia still remain undestroyed, indestructible. And beneath these banners the noble Order of Knights Templar are marching on to wider fields of usefulness, in the humanitarian fields of *coming time*.

There was no fear in the hearts of our people, therefore, when they heard that a vast army of Knights, as large perhaps as that which had captured Jerusalem, but less belligerent in temper, was en route to capture the Falls City. No warders were placed on the walls; no catapults or bowmen, to keep out the invaders.

A spirit of calmness and resignation pervaded all classes and conditions in the city, yea, more than that, a spirit of

yearning, of fraternal love and affection, a reaching out of the hands, a joyful welcome. "Take us!" "Love us!" "All we have is yours!" was the earnest greeting. No tears or sighs, except when the noble host departed.

Flags, banners, streamers and emblems waved from the houses and homes of the city, floating everywhere in testimony of the cordial greeting of the people, to the distinguished visitors.

The Skirmish Line.

THE advance guard of the plumed army reached the city on the 24th, and the following day the tide was augmented by the arrival of a host of others, many coming on special trains from all parts of the Union. All brethren were duly met on arrival, welcomed by the sub-committees appointed for that purpose, and to the strains of martial music marched to their respective quarters, and assigned lodgings at the hotels and in the hospitable homes of the city. The streets were thronged with marching columns and spectators, the latter waving enthusiastic welcome to their guests.

The Committees.

FOLLOWING is a list of the several committees that had been appointed to manage the various affairs connected with the meeting. It will be observed that they are composed of men of prominence in the city of Louisville, and the State of Kentucky at large, and to them is principally due the brilliant success of the Twenty-eighth Conclave—socially and otherwise:

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Sunday Services.

RELIGIOUS worship in most of the churches of Louisville on Sunday were characterized by the participation of Sir Knights in the exercises. Among the most conspicuous of these exercises, were those at Broadway M. E. Church, J. C. W. Coxe, D. D., Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, Washington, Iowa, leading the services and preaching a strikingly effective sermon to four hundred Knights, and a large number of other worshippers. It was a scene not soon to be forgot.

In the galleries above the sunlight fell soft and tender on the beautiful women whom Kentucky had chosen as her sponsors and maids of honors for this Triennial Conclave.

On the rostrum the Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment sat, wearing the insignia of his holy office. To the right and left were the Sir Knights of the Louisville and DeMolay Commanderies, who made up the Committee on Public Worship. Behind and above them were the members of the choir, almost shut in by great palms and trailing evergreens.

An hour before the time for services to begin, the Sir Knights of Louisville and DeMolay Commanderies, led by Eminent Sir John H. Leathers, Grand Marshal of the Grand Encampment, and his aides, Sir Knight Ernest Macpherson and Isaac T. Woodson, Jr., and headed by the Louisville Military Band, Newsboys' Band, Legion Drum Corps, and a platoon of police, marched to the Galt House, facing the entrance, forming in double ranks, and standing at "present" as the grand officers and ladies of the Grand Encampment, preceded by Most Eminent Sir Reuben H. Lloyd, came forth and entered the carriages in waiting. The Grand Marshal, his aides, and the mounted police led the column.

The word of command was given. The Louisville Military Band and the old Legion Drum Corps fell in behind the carriages. By threes right the Sir Knights changed their extended ranks into columns in close marching order, and following their own officers, took up the line of march for the church. Behind the DeMolay Commandery came the Newsboys' Band; after it, the Sir Knights of the Louisville Com-

mandery. On both sides of the broad thoroughfare the houses were gay with white and purple, crimson and gold. Across the street hung the broad banner of some of the Western commanderies. In every yard women in dainty gowns lent an added charm to the scene.

Led by the Grand Commander, and the Knights and ladies of the Grand Encampment, they entered the church. The Grand Prelate went forward and took his place on the rostrum. The services began with Mendelssohn's anthem "Hear My Prayer," sung by a double choir, with organ accompaniment.

The music ceased and Dr. Coxe read the opening sentences of the Knights Templar's form of public worship: "The Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him."

Every Sir Knight rose to his feet and stood while the Grand Prelate, the Knights following, read the general confession.

With the words, "Our Father, who art in heaven," the Knights sank to their knees and the prayer that Christ gave to his first disciples was reverently repeated.

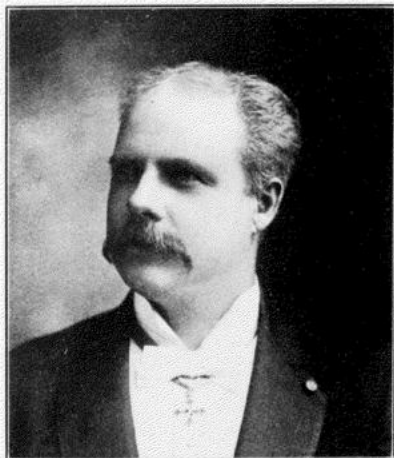
Then "Glory to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men," chanted the choir, and the Knights again rose to their feet.

When the "Gloria In Excelsis" was sung the Knights were seated and the Grand Prelate read from the twenty-fourth chapter of Luke the story of Christ's appearance to his two heart-broken disciples on their way to Emmaus. The lesson over, the choir sang the "Te Deum Laudamus."

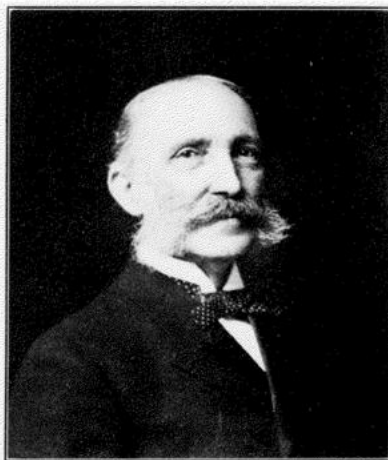
As the last echo of the glorious sweep of the music died away, the Grand Prelate with hand uplifted, delivered the faith of the Knights. As the words, "I believe," were spoken, every Sir Knight was at full length, his drawn sword in his right hand, the point held high overhead. It was a ringing, glowing confession of an assured faith.

Then followed three brief intercessory prayers for God's blessing upon the country and upon the brotherhood.

The Knights and people stood throughout the singing of



V. EM. SIR GEORGE M. MOULTON.
Grand Generalissimo Grand Encampment Knights
Templar U. S. A., 1898-1901; Elected Deputy
Grand Master, 1901—Chicago, Ill.



V. EM. SIR REV. HENRY W. RUGG.
Grand Captain General Grand Encampment
Knights Templar U. S. A. 1888-1901; Elected
Grand Generalissimo, 1901—Providence, R. I.



V. EM. SIR WILLIAM B. MELISH.
Grand Senior Warden Grand Encampment Knights
Templar U. S. A., 1898-1901; Elected Grand
Captain General, 1901—Cincinnati, O.

the Coronation hymn. The sermon that followed was taken from the twenty-second chapter of Matthew's Gospel: "What think ye of Christ? Whose Son is He?"

Dr. Coxe's sermon was an eloquent and touching one, on the subject of the divinity of Christ and its relation to modern life.

At the close of the sermon collection was taken by the Sir Knights of the Public Worship Committee. This was given to the almoners of the two Louisville commanderies for distribution to the poor.

Choir, congregation, and Knights sang the hymn "St. Hilda." The benediction was spoken and in single file the Sir Knights of the Louisville and DeMolay Commanderies marched from the church to form on the outside the guard of honor that acted as escort for the returning officers and ladies of the Grand Encampment.

The Rev. Reverdy Estill, D. D., LL. D., also preached in the morning at St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church from the text: "Quit You Like Men. Be Strong." The sermon was an eloquent presentation of the great truths taught by the order of Knights Templar.

Official Program.

THE following is the official program prepared for the meeting, and it was adhered to throughout, with but very slight alteration:

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25.

2 O'Clock P. M.—Officers and members of the Grand Encampment assembled at headquarters at the Galt House and escorted by local and visiting commanderies to the Broadway Methodist Church, South.

Religious Exercises 3 O'Clock P. M.—At the Broadway Methodist Church, the office of public worship for Knights Templar, adopted by the Grand Commandery of Kentucky, May 15, 1890, being used. Sermon or lesson by

Very Eminent Sir and Rev. J. C. W. Coxe, of Washington, Iowa, Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment.

Escort—4:30 O'Clock P. M.—Grand Encampment officers and members conducted back to headquarters.

MONDAY, AUGUST 26.

Reception and escort of all arriving commanderies to their quarters.

Inaugural of festivities by the Grand Commandery of Kentucky and the Subordinate Commanderies of the Bluegrass State, 8 o'clock p. m. to 12 m., by a reception to the officers and members of the Grand Encampment and their ladies, at Kentucky headquarters, the Custom House.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 27.

Grand Parade and Escort of the Grand Encampment by the Grand and Subordinate Commanderies of the United States.

Welcoming Addresses to the Grand Encampment and the Response, at the Grand Asylum, Girls' High School Building. Formal opening of the Twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

Reception to all visiting Sir Knights and Ladies, 2 to 6 o'clock P. M., at Kentucky headquarters, Custom House.

Reception to the Grand Encampment and all visiting Sir Knights and Ladies, 8 o'clock P. M., at the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home. The evening's program included an entertainment in which the children of the Home participated.

A Display of Fire Works.

Reception 8 O'Clock P. M. to 12 O'Clock M.—To all visiting Sir Knights and ladies at Kentucky headquarters, Custom House.

Entertainment Entitled "Darkest America," under the Personal Direction of Col. Will S. Hays, the Noted Song Writer, 8 o'clock P. M.

Floating Concert and Excursion on the Ohio River, 8 o'clock P. M.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28.

Great National Competitive Drill.—Took place at the grounds of the New Louisville Jockey Club, Churchill Downs, "Race Track," and "Jacob Park," four United States Army officers and one Knight Templar being judges.

Order of Drilling.—9:30, Columbia Commandery No. 2 Washington, D. C., chartered September 7, 1865; 10:10—Colorado No. 1, Denver, Colorado, chartered September 18, 1868; 10:50—Hanselmann No. 16, Cincinnati, Ohio, chartered October 15, 1869; 11:30—Alleghany No. 35, Pittsburg, Pa., chartered October 18, 1869; 12:10—Luncheon and rest, during which Detroit Commandery No. 1, of Detroit, Michigan, gave a display of battalion drill; 1:50—St. Bernard No. 35, Chicago, Illinois, chartered October 26, 1870; 2:30—Calvary No. 3, Parkersburg, West Virginia, chartered September 20, 1876; 3:10—Golden Gate No. 16, San Francisco, California, chartered April 21, 1881; 3:50—California No. 1 (mounted), San Francisco.

Reception, 2 O'Clock to 6 O'Clock P. M.—At Kentucky Headquarters, Custom House.

Floating Concert and Excursion on the Ohio River, 2 O'Clock P. M.—Steamers Columbia and Sunshine.

Presentation of Awards in Competitive Drill at Night.—At the Horse Show Building. 7:00—Doors opened; 8:00—Instrumental concert; 8:20—Display drill by the contestant selected by the sponsors; 8:40—Drill by Masonic Home Drum and Trumpet Corps; 9:00—Delivery and promulgation of the awards by the judges, followed by pre-

sentation of prizes. Grand march and dance by sponsors and contestants.

Floating Concert and Excursion on the Ohio River, 8 O'Clock P. M.—Steamers Columbia and Sunshine.

Reception—8 O'Clock P. M. to 12 M.—At Kentucky Headquarters, Custom House.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 29.

Morning devoted to sight seeing, including drives to the parks, etc.

Reception—2 to 6 O'Clock P. M.—At Kentucky Headquarters, Custom House.

Floating Concert and Excursion up the Ohio River, 2 O'Clock P. M.—Steamers Columbia and Sunshine.

Reception—8 O'Clock P. M. to 12 M.—At Kentucky Headquarters, Custom House.

Floating Concert and Excursion up the Ohio River, 8 O'Clock P. M.—Steamers Columbia and Sunshine.

Inaugural of the Grand Ball at the Horse Show Building.—Sir Knights in full dress uniform without sword, and ladies they accompanied admitted.

Excursions.—To Bluegrass Region, Mammoth Cave, Cumberland Gap, the coal and timber lands of Eastern Kentucky, the battlefields of Tennessee and Lookout Mountain, etc.

Closing—Of Twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America.

The Main Army

Arrives on Sunday Night and Monday.

ALL previous arrivals were but as a line of skirmishers compared to the mighty host which rolled into the city Sunday night and Monday, numbering about one hundred and fifty commanderies, from every part of our broad land. Every line of road entering the city was taxed to its utmost, with regular and special trains, all loaded down.

Social Features.

AWAITING the arrival of all the commanderies headed for Louisville, Monday was principally devoted to their reception, and to social and fraternal intercourse.

Monday night the inaugural festivities began with a grand reception, by the Grand Commandery of Kentucky and the Subordinate Commanderies of the State, to the officers and members of the Grand Encampment and their ladies, at Kentucky headquarters, the Custom House. This function began at 8 and lasted until 12 o'clock.

The Grand Parade.

Ten Thousand Knights in Line.

An Imposing Pageant Witnessed by Three Hundred Thousand People.

BY the general public, Tuesday had been looked forward to as the "great day" of the meeting, the chief feature outside of the formal opening of the Conclave, being the grand parade by the army of Sir Knights, clad in their brilliant uniforms and led by magnificent bands and drum corps. It had rained hard Monday afternoon and many fears were expressed that it would be necessary to postpone the parade, but during the night the skies cleared and a bright sun followed the dawn of Tuesday morn. It soon dried the streets, rendering them much better for marching, than had no rain fallen. The rain had laid the dust and made marching good.

Preparations for the parade began early, at headquarters of all the commanderies, and soon they were rapidly marching to take their designated places in line. All street car service in the central part of the city was suspended during the parade.

Nine o'clock struck, and Grand Marshal Eminent Sir John H. Leathers took his post at Seventh and Main streets. Beside him was his chief of staff, Sir Knight Ernest Macpherson. In front to clear the way was a squadron of mounted police, under Chief of Police Jacob H. Hager, with Superintendent Brockman second in command.

The Line Up.

IN accordance with general orders, the following was the alignment for the parade:

Then came the Grand Marshal, Eminent Sir John H. Leathers, and his chief of staff, Sir Knight Ernest Macpherson, while behind came the one hundred selected aides to the Grand Marshal. They were carefully chosen from the various commanderies. In the list were:

P. J. Josselyn, Kentucky.	R. A. Downing, Kentucky.
Robert E. Woods, Kentucky.	Brinton D. Davis, Kentucky.
Charles W. Bornwasser, Kentucky.	Alexander Duvall, Kentucky.
Frank L. McKernan, Kentucky.	Charles E. Dunn, Kentucky.
William Schlaeffer, Kentucky.	L. A. Doddsworth, North Carolina.
Frank J. Cassada, New York.	James E. Dorland, Kentucky.
W. C. McChord, Kentucky.	T. Henry Dumary, New York.
James Elliott, Indian Territory.	Howard R. French, Kentucky.
Harry E. Whitney, Minnesota.	Jerome B. Fisher, New York.
William S. Burgendthal, Kansas.	Charles H. Fisk, Kentucky.
Frank L. Bishop, Colorado.	David W. Gray, Kentucky.
Capt. Ira M. Swartz, U. S. A., State of Washington.	John T. Gathright, Kentucky.
Burton A. Duerson, Kentucky.	James P. Gregory, Kentucky.
Henry S. Barker, Kentucky.	Frank O. Gilbert, Michigan.
Robert S. Brown, Kentucky.	George H. Gorham, Vermont.
John M. Borntraeger, Kentucky.	John H. Hancock, Kentucky.
W. O. Bonnie, Kentucky.	William R. Heckert, Pennsylvania.
Frank I. Brocar, Kentucky.	S. W. Hager, Kentucky.
Thomas H. Baker, Kentucky.	O. E. Hallaway, Indiana.
Julius L. Brown, Georgia.	James Hatch, California.
William G. Bell, Manitoba.	Saunders P. Jones, Kentucky.
Benjamin F. Bowen, Florida.	Sam P. Jones, Kentucky.
Lee E. Cralle, Kentucky.	James B. Jones, Pennsylvania.
John B. Castleman, Kentucky.	W. R. Johnston, Kentucky.
Breckinridge Castleman, Kentucky.	S. S. Jewett, New Hampshire.
John H. Cowles, Kentucky.	Herman Kretschmar, New York.
J. Calvin Cox, Kentucky.	Thomas A. Keith, Kentucky.
Morris F. Clark, New York.	Thomas J. Landrum, Kentucky.
Manning S. Campbell, Maine.	William L. Lyons, Kentucky.
Samuel P. Cochran, Texas.	T. N. Lindsey, Kentucky.
Thomas Francis Christian, Mass.	Charles D. Meyer, Kentucky.
	Clarence L. Martin, Kentucky.

M. Muldoon, Kentucky.
 William H. Meffert, Kentucky.
 Ed Meglemry, Kentucky.
 John Maas, Jr., Kentucky.
 William McDermott, Ohio.
 W. P. McIntosh, Alabama.
 P. J. Murray, Tennessee.
 Arthur MacArthur, New York.
 Clarence E. Meglemry, Alabama.
 James B. McCreary, Kentucky.
 James B. McFatrach, Illinois.
 John W. Mix, Connecticut.
 Herman D. Newcomb, Kentucky.
 William C. Owens, Kentucky.
 J. K. Orr, Georgia.
 E. C. Pearson, Kentucky.
 James C. Poston, Kentucky.
 Zack Phelps, Kentucky.
 Alexander Parks, West Virginia.
 J. M. Poyntz, Kentucky.
 K. C. Pulliam, Kentucky.
 D. W. Peed, Kentucky.
 Joshua D. Powers, Kentucky.
 Walter B. Pettus, Dist. of Columbia.
 H. M. Reese, Kentucky.
 James R. Rash, Kentucky.
 Charles N. Rix, Arkansas.

Noah M. Ryan, Nebraska.
 Thomas P. Satterwhite, Jr., Ky.
 John A. Stratton, Kentucky.
 Theophilus Stern, Kentucky.
 William M. Smith, Kentucky.
 Richard Stites, Kentucky.
 Samuel H. Stone, Kentucky.
 Thomas J. Shryock, Maryland.
 Thomas C. Timberlake, Kentucky.
 George B. Todd, Kentucky.
 Lewis N. Tavenner, West Virginia.
 William M. Treloar, Missouri.
 Charles Vaupel, Kentucky.
 R. F. Vogt, Kentucky.
 Jacob W. Vanderwert, Ohio.
 Charles P. Weaver, Kentucky.
 Americus Whedon, Kentucky.
 John H. Weller, Kentucky.
 Isaac T. Woodson, Jr., Kentucky.
 Charles Wheelock, Alabama.
 A. B. Wigley, Pennsylvania.
 William Weldon, Iowa.
 W. C. Nelson, Louisiana.
 John W. Bailey, Tennessee.
 James O'Keefe, Virginia.
 Howard T. Taylor, Michigan.

Mounted Police.

The Grand Marshal, Eminent Sir John H. Leathers.

Sir Knight Ernest Macpherson, Chief of Staff.

Aides of the Grand Marshal.

The Grand Commandery of Kentucky and its subordinate commanderies. Right Eminent Sir Henry T. Jefferson, Grand Commander, as special escort of honor of Grand Encampment.

The Grand Encampment.

FIRST GRAND DIVISION.

Right Eminent Sir Winthrop Messenger, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Chief Marshal.

Eminent Sir John D. Munroe, chief of staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of New York and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Virginia and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Vermont and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of New Hampshire and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Connecticut and its subordinate commanderies.

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SECOND GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir Arthur B. Foster, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Ohio, Chief Marshal.

Em. Sir Thomas Kite, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of Ohio and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Maine and its subordinate commanderies.

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THIRD GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir Thomas F. Penman, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, Chief Marshal.

Em. Sir Wilson I. Fleming, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania and its subordinate commanderies.

FOURTH GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Commander of the Grand
Commandery of Indiana, Chief Marshal.
Em. Sir John L. Rupe, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of Indiana and its subordinate command-
eries.

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FIFTH GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir F. M. Gillbough, Grand Commander of the Grand Com-
mandery of Texas, Chief Marshal.
Em. Sir Lewis Cass Goodrich (Michigan), Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of Texas and its subordinate command-
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The Grand Commandery of Mississippi and its subordinate command-
eries.

The Grand Commandery of Michigan and its subordinate command-
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SIXTH GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir Charles Philo Kane, Grand Commander of the Grand
Commandery of Illinois, Chief Marshal.
Em. Sir Hamer Herschel Green, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of Illinois and its subordinate command-
eries.

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SEVENTH GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir George Butterfield McKee, Grand Commander of the
Grand Commandery of California, Chief Marshal.
Em. Sir John Tonningsen, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of California and its subordinate command-
eries.

The Grand Commandery of Tennessee and its subordinate command-
eries.

The Grand Commandery of Wisconsin and its subordinate command-
eries.

The Grand Commandery of New Jersey and its subordinate command-
eries.

The Grand Commandery of Georgia and its subordinate command-
eries.

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EIGHTH DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir Ira V. McMillan, Past Grand Commander of the Grand
Commandery of Missouri, Chief Marshal.
Em. Sir James H. Frame, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of Missouri and its subordinate command-
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The Grand Commandery of Alabama and its subordinate command-
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The Grand Commandery of Louisiana, and its subordinate command-
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NINTH GRAND DIVISION

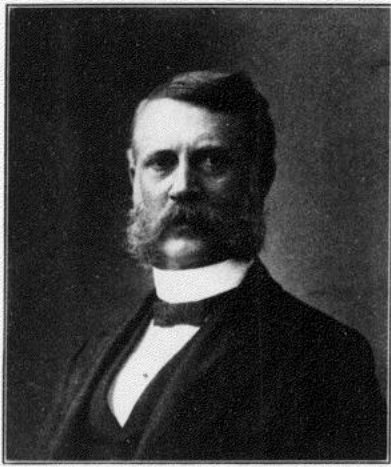
Rt. Em. Sir Graham Dukehart, Grand Commander of the Grand Com-
mandery of Maryland, Chief Marshal.
Em. Sir Edw. C. Register, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

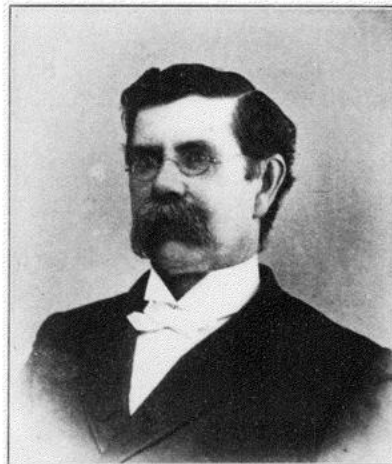
The Grand Commandery of Iowa and its subordinate command-
eries.

The Grand Commandery of Minnesota and its subordinate command-
eries.

The Grand Commandery of Kansas and its subordinate command-
eries.



V. EM. SIR JOSEPH A. LOCKE.
Grand Junior Warden Grand Encampment Knights
Templar, U. S. A., 1888-1901; Elected Grand
Senior Warden, 1901—Portland, Me.



V. EM. SIR REV. JAMES C. W. COXE, D. D.
Grand Pro-late Grand Encampment Knights Tem-
plar, U. S. A., 1898-1901, Washington, Ia.



V. EM. SIR H. WALES LINES.
Grand Treasurer Grand Encampment Knights
Templar, U. S. A., 1886-1901; Re-elected
1901—Meriden, Conn.

The Grand Commandery of Maryland and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Nebraska and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Arkansas and its subordinate commanderies.

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TENTH GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir Alexander Parks, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of West Virginia, Chief Marshal.

Rt. Em. Sir Z. T. Walrond, Indian Territory, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of West Virginia and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Colorado and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of North Carolina and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of South Dakota and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Oregon and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Washington and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Montana and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Wyoming and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of North Dakota and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Arizona and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Florida and its subordinate commanderies.

The Grand Commandery of Indian Territory and its subordinate commanderies.

ELEVENTH GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir George Gibson, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia, Chief Marshal.

Rt. Em. Sir William T. Galliher, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

The Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia and its subordinate commanderies.

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TWELFTH GRAND DIVISION.

Rt. Em. Sir R. P. Hurlbut, Chief Marshal.

Em. Sir A. F. Gilflan, Chief of Staff.

AIDES.

MOUNTED COMMANDERIES.

Precedence of Grand Commanderies. THE position in line of the Grand Commanderies were assigned according to the dates of their organization, as follows:

1. Massachusetts and Rhode Island, May 61805
2. New York, June 131814
3. Virginia, November 271823
4. Vermont, June 271824
5. New Hampshire, June 131826
6. Connecticut, Setember 131827
7. Ohio, October 241843
8. Kentucky, October 151847
9. Maine, May 51852
10. Pennsylvania, April 161854
11. Indiana, May 161854
12. Texas, January 181855
13. Mississippi, January 211857
14. Michigan, April 71857
15. Illinois, October 271857
16. California, August 101858

17. Tennessee, October 12	1859
18. Wisconsin, October 20	1859
19. New Jersey, February 14	1860
20. Georgia, April 25	1860
21. Missouri, May 22	1860
22. Alabama, November 29	1860
23. Louisiana, February 12	1864
24. Iowa, June 6	1864
25. Minnesota, October 23	1865
26. Kansas, December 29	1868
27. Maryland, January 23	1871
28. Nebraska, December 27	1871
29. Arkansas, March 23	1872
30. West Virginia, February 25	1874
31. Colorado, March 14	1876
32. North Carolina, May 10	1881
33. South Dakota, May 14	1884
34. Oregon, April 13	1887
35. Washington, June 2	1887
36. Wyoming, March 8	1888
37. Montana, May 14	1888
38. North Dakota, June 16	1890
39. Arizona, November 16	1893
40. Florida, August 15	1895
41. Indian Territory, December 27	1895
42. District of Columbia, January 14	1896
43. Oklahoma Territory, February 10	1896
44. New Mexico, August 21	1901

The Signal to Start.

THE alignment being completed, at 9:33 a. m. Trumpeter Barfield, a veteran of the Spanish-American

War, sounded the order "Forward!"

The long column then got in motion and the great parade had commenced. On both sides of the streets along the line of march were stretched wires to keep back the spectators. Behind these, and on every balcony and in every window, were massed the thousands who had come from all parts of

the adjacent States and Kentucky, to witness the imposing pageant. The skies smiled in harmony with the hearts of all Kentuckians, and the sunlight was brilliantly reflected from the passing sea of snowy plumes and flashing banners, as commandery after commandery passed in martial array, each greeted with hearty plaudits by the great throng. Other hosts had trod the same streets before, during the great Civil War, and on the occasion of the Grand Army meeting of a few years ago, but neither of them surpassed in numbers, martial bearing, or brilliancy of effect the knightly host of Knights Templar that passed in grand review.

As commandery after commandery swung by, the minds of all were impressed by the rhythmic and symmetric beauty of their movements, a feature always distinguishing the marching of well drilled bodies of men. Hour by hour the watchers stood with unflagging interest, viewing the inspiring scene.

The best trained of America's military bands roused harmonic echoes that had never before been counted among Louisville's assets. And the people liked the bands. But the reason lay not in music. Men of national note rode or walked humbly beside men who in the common, daily walks of life would be counted, materially, their inferiors. And it was pleasant to pick out, here and there, a Governor of some great sister State, and exercise unused diaphragms with a deep and hearty yell of welcome. And still this did not explain the ever-increasing warmth of the greeting given to these marching men by the scores of thousands who watched them.

The passing of the Grand Master and of the oldest commandery present, the ninety Knights from Melrose, Mass., marked only the beginning of an almost uninterrupted chorus of applause. The hours passed and the divisions with them—the first unnoticed, the latter greeted with outspoken welcome.

The superb appearance of the men, the music from the foremost military bands of America; the masterly arrangement of every division and the co-operation of the well-drilled

and well-disciplined Knights helped to make the parade the brilliant success that it proved to be. There were features innumerable that stirred the sight-seers to the utmost—the splendid physique and cadence of the Detroit Knights in their handsome but severely simple uniforms; the mounted cavaliers of California; the steady swing of the Templars from the Sunflower State, rivaling the impressive appearance of Columbia of Washington, headed by the Marine Band.

But it was not only the great commanderies and the programmed happenings that evoked thought and warmth of welcome. In the delegation from Tennessee less than a dozen old men marched behind a modest banner. They were not looking to right nor left for applause. They were but a modest group of gray-haired men who had come quietly into the city to see their brothers, who had not perhaps, lost quite as much as they in an old-time struggle for the cause they thought right. It could have been nothing but instinct that caused the crowd to look closely at that little delegation and start a ripple of applause that swelled into a roar. But it was a sight to remember for a lifetime when that handful of stooped and white-haired men understood that the hand-clapping was for them and swung their bowed shoulders a little straighter, but never lifted hand nor turned head as they marched on.

It was another sight for every true American to treasure when Virginia and Connecticut Knights came marching upon each other's heels. They were men from head to heel and they looked it. And it was sweet music to every lover of his land when the cheers for the Meriden Commandery rang out as loud as those that sounded the coming of the Virginians.

All the States were splendidly represented in the great parade. A short sketch even of each would exceed the limits of this work. It will suffice to say that each and all acquitted themselves with credit, both as to the personnel of their commanderies, their excellent marching and drill, and the martial appearance of each commandery's array. There were no State lines recognized; all were Knights, all

imbued with the same sentiment, the same aspirations, the same faith, the same objects. A unity of purpose filled every heart above which nodded the white plume of American Knighthood.

For four hours and a half, 9:30 a. m. to 2:00 p. m., the swinging columns passed over the line of march, greeted from one end of the route to the other by a whirlwind of cheers from the vast throng of people massed on every block. Many were the striking incidents of the march, deserving of mention did space permit. California's black horse squadron brought up the rear of the brilliant pageant, the greatest and most imposing ever seen in the history of the order. Grandeur and more martial in appearance, perhaps, than that led by Godfrey and his followers from the shores of the Mediterranean to the conquest of the Holy City.

Commanderies Participating.

Peoria Commandery, No. 3, Peoria, Ill.
St. Bernard Commandery, No. 35, Chicago.
Tancred Commandery, No. 50, Belleville, Ill.
Urbana Commandery, No. 16, Urbana, Ill.
Baldwin Commandery, No. 2, Shelbyville, Ind.
Bedford Commandery, No. 42, Bedford, Ind.
Bluffton Commandery, No. 38, Indiana.
Columbus Commandery, No. 14, Columbus, Ind.
Ft. Wayne Commandery, No. 4, Indiana.
Franklin Commandery, No. 23, Franklin, Ind.
Greencastle Commandery, No. 11, Greencastle, Ind.
Greenfield, No. 39, Greenfield, Ind.
Jeffersonville Commandery, No. 27.
Knightstown Commandery, No. 9, Knightstown, Ind.
Lafayette Commandery, No. 3, Lafayette, Ind.
La Vallette Commandery, No. 15, Evansville, Ind.
Madison Commandery, No. 22, Madison, Ind.
Marion Commandery, No. 21, Marion, Ind.
Raper Commandery, No. 1, Indianapolis.
Richmond Commandery, No. 8, Richmond, Ind.
Cyrene Commandery, No. 34, Columbia City, Ind.

St. John Commandery, No. 24, Logansport, Ind.
 Terre Haute, No. 16, Terre Haute, Ind.
 Wabash Commandery, No. 37, Wabash, Ind.
 Washington Commandery, No. 33, Washington, Ind.
 Temple Commandery, No. 4, Des Moines, Ia.
 Apollo Commandery, No. 26, Cedar Rapids, Ia.
 Nazareth Commandery, No. 33, Manchester, Ia.
 St. Bernard Commandery, No. 10, Independence, Kan.
 Grand Commandery of Kansas.
 Athens Commandery, No. 15, Athens, O.
 Clinton Commandery, No. 5, Mt. Vernon, O.
 Cyrene Commandery, No. 10, Zanesville, O.
 Garfield Commandery, No. 28, Washington Courthouse, O.
 Hanselmann Commandery, No. 16, Cincinnati, O.
 Marietta Commandery, No. 50, Marietta, O.
 Palestine Commandery, No. 33, Springfield, O.
 Reed Commandery, No. 6, Dayton, O.
 St. Bernard Commandery, No. 51, Ulrichsville, O.
 Salem Commandery, No. 42, Salem, O.
 The Rose Commandery, No. 43, Gallipolis, O.
 Warren Commandery, No. 39, Warren, O.
 Allegheny, No. 35, Allegheny, Pa.
 Allen Commandery, No. 20, Allentown, Pa.
 Knapp Commandery, No. 40, Ridgeway, Pa.
 Lawrence Commandery, No. 62, Newcastle, Pa.
 Mt. Vernon Commandery, No. 73, Hazleton, Pa.
 Tancred Commandery, No. 48, Pittsburg, Pa.
 Trinity Commandery, No. 58, Bradford, Pa.
 Woonsocket Commandery, No. 24, with St. John Commandery, Providence, R. I.
 South Carolina Commandery, No. 1, Charleston, S. C.
 Jackson Commandery, No. 13, Jackson, Tenn.
 Lookout Commandery, No. 14, Chattanooga, Tenn.
 Memphis Commandery, Memphis, Tenn.
 Nashville Commandery, No. 1, Nashville, Tenn.
 Vermont Commandery, No. 4, Windsor, Vt.
 Clinch Valley Commandery, No. 20, Tazewell, Va.
 Calvary Commandery, No. 13, Parkersburg, W. Va.
 Cyrene Commandery, No. 10, Bingham.
 Golden Gate Commandery, No. 16, San Francisco.

Colorado Commandery, No. 1, Denver.
 Columbian Commandery, No. 4, Norwich, Conn.
 St. Elmo Commandery, No. 9, Meriden, Conn.
 Columbia Commandery, No. 2, Washington.
 Orient Commandery, No. 5, Washington.
 DeMolay, No. 4, Washington.
 Washington Commandery, No. 1, Washington.
 Grand Commandery of Florida.
 Georgia Commandery, No. 1, Augusta.
 Apollo Commandery, No. 1, Chicago.
 Beaumanoir Commandery, No. 9, Decatur, Ill.
 Blaney Commandery, No. 5, Morris, Ill.
 Calumet Commandery, No. 62, Chicago.
 Calvary Commandery, No. 25, Woodstock, Ill.
 Chevalier Bayard Commandery, No. 52, Chicago.
 Chicago Commandery, No. 19.
 Elwood Commandery, No. 6, Springfield, Ill.
 Englewood Commandery, No. 59, Chicago.
 Evanston Commandery, No. 58, Evanston, Ill.
 Everts Commandery, No. 18, Rock Island, Ill.
 Galesburg Commandery, No. 8, Galesburg, Ill.
 Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, with Palestine Commandery, No. 27, Mattoon, Ill.
 Gorin Commandery, No. 14, Olney, Ill.
 Melita Commandery, No. 37, Tuscola.
 Crusade Commandery, No. 62, Fairmount, W. Va.
 Huntington Commandery, No. 9, Huntington, W. Va.
 Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 10, Bromwell, W. Va.
 Kanawha Commandery, No. 4, Charleston, W. Va.
 Mountain State Commandery, Sistersville, W. Va.
 Racine Commandery, No. 7, Racine, Wis.
 St. John's, No. 1, Providence, R. I.
 Grand Commandery of Louisiana.
 Ashland Commandery, No. 28, Ashland, Ky.
 Covington Commandery, No. 7, Covington, Ky.
 John C. Breckinridge Commandery, No. 20, Flemingsburg, Ky.
 Coeur de Lion Commandery, No. 26, Paris, Ky.
 Maysville, No. 10, Maysville, Ky.
 Ryan Commandery, No. 17, Danville, Ky.
 Portland Commandery, No. 2, Portland, Me.

Monumental Commandery, No. 3, Baltimore, Md.
 Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 20, Melrose, Mass.
 Damascus Commandery, No. 42, Detroit, Mich.
 Detroit Commandery, No. 1, Detroit, Mich.
 Palestine Commandery, No. 8, Kalamazoo, Mich.
 Grand Commandery of Minnesota.
 Duluth Commandery, No. 18, Duluth, Minn.
 Kansas City Commandery, No. 10, Kansas City, Mo.
 Missouri Commandery, No. 36, Marshall, Mo.
 Oriental Commandery, No. 35, Kansas City.
 St. Aldemar Commandery, No. 18, St. Louis, Mo.
 Tancred Commandery, No. 25, Moberly, Mo.
 Trinity Commandery, No. 6, Manchester, N. J.
 Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 1, Jersey City.
 Central City Commandery, No. 25, Syracuse, N. Y.
 Monroe Commandery, No. 12, Rochester, N. Y.
 Cyrene Commandery, No. 5, Asheville, N. C.
 Akron Commandery, No. 25, Akron, O.
 Webb Commandery, No. 1, Lexington, Ky.
 Ivanhoe, No. 24, Milwaukee, Wis.

**Afternoon
 Receptions
 at
 Widows' and Orphans'
 Home and
 Kentucky
 Headquarters.**

IMMEDIATELY after the conclusion of the great parade, beginning at 2:00 and lasting until 6 p. m., was held at Kentucky headquarters—the Custom House—a grand reception to all visiting Sir Knights and ladies. This was a brilliant function and attended by a great number of people who were entertained with that elaborate hospitality for which the Falls City has ever been distinguished.

At 8 o'clock, at the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home, was tendered a reception to the Grand Encampment and all visiting Sir Knights and their ladies. The evening program included ten numbers, consisting of recitations, vocal and instrumental and solo music, under direction of Sir Knight Kelly, superintendent of the Home.

Most Eminent Grand Master Sir Lloyd, on arrival, was welcomed by John L. Wheat, who said:

"Brother Lloyd, Grand Master of the Knights Templar of the United States for thirty years and over, year after year, it has been our privilege to present to the Grand Lodge these children, our jewels. We always watch with interest for the coming of the Grand Lodge. But now we have the supreme satisfaction of presenting to you and the forty-three Grand Commanderies you represent our precious ones. I will not attempt to tell you how blessed this work has been. We have been aided by the Grand Commandery, as well as the Grand Lodge. We are not all Templars; I am not one myself, but we honor and thank them for their noble aid. I express the hope that before the Conclave adjourns all the commanderies will witness our work and carry home with them renewed zeal for their orphans' homes, and, if they have no homes, resolve to found one."

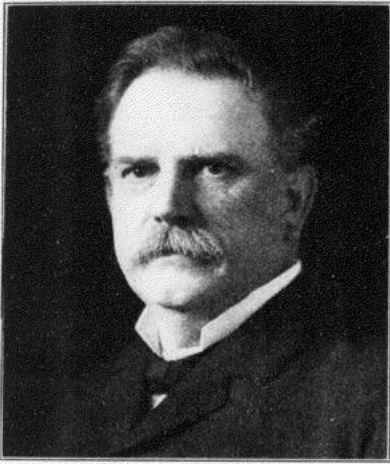
Most Eminent Sir Lloyd responded:

"I am certainly surprised at this reception; I am much fatigued by the labors of the day, but I am glad to be here and look upon this good work. During my life I have seen much of this work. You spoke of not being a Templar; my brother, remember that the Blue Lodge is the mudsill of Templary; without the Blue Lodge it could not exist; it grows from the Blue Lodge, and it does its charity work as a Blue Lodge; and when we come to die we are laid away as members of the Blue Lodge."

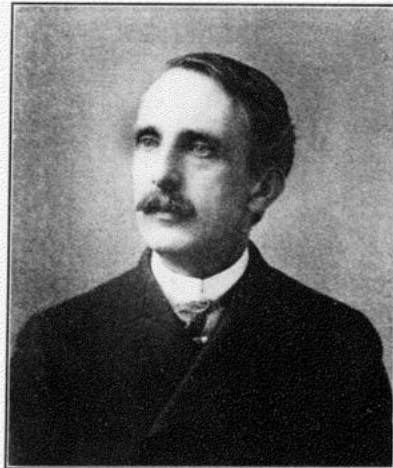
Turning to the children, he added:

"At home I am fond of flowers. I spent much of my time in raising flowers, but in all my life I have not seen such flowers as these beautiful little ones. I am glad to say that in every State Masons are raising flowers like these. I find it is the most satisfactory way of spending Masonic money. Let me tell you that when you find a man who will not give to this cause there is something wrong with him. But I will not detain you longer. I thank you very much."

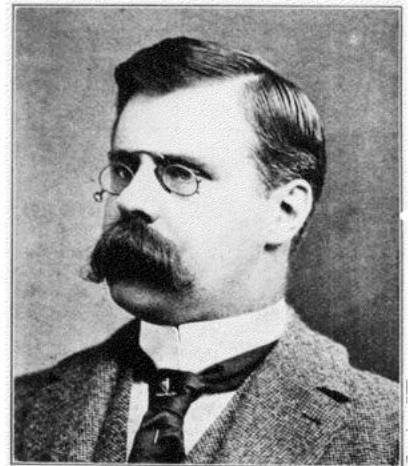
Following this address refreshments were served in the dining-room.



V. EM. SIR, WILLIAM HENRY MAYO.
Grand Recorder Grand Encampment Knights
Templar, U. S. A., 1895-1901—St.
Louis, Mo.



V. EM. SIR LEE S. SMITH.
Grand Standard Bearer Grand Encampment Knights
Templar, U. S. A., 1898-1901—Pitts-
burg, Pa.



V. EM. SIR ARTHUR MACARTHUR.
Grand Sword Bearer Grand Encampment Knights
Templar, U. S. A., 1898-1901; Appointed
Grand Standard Bearer, 1901—
Troy, N. Y.

Formal Opening
Of the
28th Triennial
Conclave,
Grand Encampment.

Eloquent Addresses by Distinguished Speakers.

AT LITTLE after 3 o'clock, Sir Knight John B. Castleman, of the Reception Committee, stepped to the front of the stage of the Girls' High School building, and called the Grand Encampment of the United States to order.

He said: "The Executive Committee has asked the Reception Committee to convene this body and to proceed with the exercises which are designed to give the visiting Sir Knights some idea of the welcome which Kentucky extends to them." He then announced that the session would open with a prayer by the Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, the Right Eminent Sir Knight J. C. W. Coxe, of Washington, Iowa. The Rev. Dr. Coxe then prayed for the Divine guidance in all the proceedings of the Grand Encampment. His prayer was that those things which should be done should honor the name of God and should glorify him in thought, word and deed.

KENTUCKY'S WELCOME.

Gen. Castleman then formally welcomed the Encampment in behalf of the Reception Committee of the Conclave. "I know from personal experience," he said, "that no State is so much indebted to the truth which this order represents. Above love of city or of State the truth of your teaching has done more than all else to make Kentucky the State which she is to-day. I take the honor of greeting you on your entrance to Louisville in the name of 200,000 of the people of Louisville, and will ask Sir Knight and Judge Henry S. Barker to welcome you in behalf of the people of Kentucky."

Before Judge Barker spoke, the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Most Eminent Sir Reuben H. Lloyd, asked that Right Eminent Sir Knight Charles C. Vogt be invited to take a seat on the platform. In inviting Eminent Sir Knight Vogt to come forward Gen. Castleman spoke in the highest terms

of the work which he had done in making the Conclave the success which it promised to be. Sir Knight Vogt then came forward to the platform and was welcomed with enthusiastic applause by all the members of the Grand Encampment and others present.

Judge and Sir Knight Barker delivered a speech of welcome and was warmly greeted.

Gen. Castleman then introduced Miss Mary Pauline Bowman with the remark that "A Kentucky girl will express in song the welcome which Kentucky gives to you." Miss Bowman then sang with exquisite expression "My Old Kentucky Home." Between every stanza there was an outburst of applause.

MISS MILLER'S WELCOME.

At the close the audience cheered, and as an encore she sang a welcome to the Knights Templar which had been written by Miss Elvira Sydnor Miller. The poem had been set to the music of the "Marseillaise" and was enthusiastically received by the Sir Knights.

The words of welcome were:

Ye Templars, famed in song and story,
Who come at old Kentucky's call,
You are our country's pride and glory—
The truest, noblest Knights of all.
Peace smiles upon this joyous meeting;
Forget that from afar you roam.
Within our old Kentucky home,
A thousand hands are stretched in greeting.

CHORUS.

All hail! all hail! Sir Knights,
From many a State afar;
Shine out, shine out, and let your order be
Our nation's guiding star.

Your swords, that shone like stars in battle,
That flashed o'er many a vale and hill,
When foemen fled like driven cattle,
We'll sheathe with roses if you will.
The helpless orphans' hands caress you,
Your generous deeds are never done;
From dawn until the setting sun
The widows' grateful prayers shall bless you.

Chorus: All hail! all hail! Sir Knights, etc.

KEY OF CITY PRESENTED.

Sir Knight Charles P. Weaver, Mayor of Louisville, then delivered an address of welcome. He said:

"Most Eminent Grand Master and Sir Knights of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America: As Mayor of the city of Louisville, and in behalf of the members of the General Council and all of our citizens, I give you the freedom of our city, and extend to you the most cordial and sincere welcome, for the purpose of holding the Twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave of the most magnanimous order in the world.

"In giving you the freedom of our city and its hospitality, I know I voice the sentiment of all true Kentuckians when I say that there is not anything in this city, the gateway between the North and the South, that is not yours. What we have we give with a sincere heart and old-fashioned Kentucky hospitality.

"We trust that your meeting will be one of the most successful ever held, and that the teachings of your order, founded upon the Christian religion, will continue to spread broadcast throughout the land brotherly love, faith, hope and charity, and forever protect all the weak and defenseless, as well as the widow and the orphan.

"In your visits about the city, if there is anything you see and want, do not ask for it, but take it; and if there is anything you do not see and want, ask for it and it shall be yours.

"We hope that your visit will be just as long as you can make it, and the longer your stay the better we shall be pleased.

"When you leave us for your happy homes we trust you will always remember this city as the Mecca of all things knightly, generous and hospitable.

"Most Eminent Grand Master, I now have the pleasure, as well as the honor of presenting to you, upon the Cross of Salem, the key to the city of Louisville, our hearts and our homes. We welcome you."

As Sir Knight Weaver finished speaking, he presented to Grand Master Lloyd an immense golden key on a Salem cross

of purple velvet. The Grand Master rose to receive this and the members of the Grand Commandery applauded enthusiastically.

Gen. Castleman presented Sir Knight William Beard, Jr., who sang the "Dio Passante" in a manner which elicited the warmest applause from the Eminent Sir Knights present.

SIR KNIGHT BRECKINRIDGE'S SPEECH.

The Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Kentucky, the Right Eminent Sir Henry T. Jefferson, then advanced to the front of the platform and introduced Sir Knight W. C. P. Breckinridge, who welcomed the Grand Encampment in behalf of the Grand Commandery of Kentucky. As Col. Breckinridge advanced he was greeted with cheers. His address was characteristically eloquent.

Sir Knight Breckinridge was frequently interrupted by applause, and toward the close of his masterly oration the audience became wildly enthusiastic, cheering and throwing their hats into the air.

With difficulty it was quieted, only to break forth again with renewed vigor a half hour later when in his address the Hon. W. C. P. Breckinridge referred to the deeds of Dewey, the Northerner, at Manila, and Schley, of the Southland, at Santiago.

Col. Breckinridge spoke for almost half an hour, but in that time scarcely a man moved and at the last as he ceased they sank back, many having run the gamut of emotions from laughter to tears.

GRAND MASTER'S RESPONSE.

The response of Grand Master Lloyd to the addresses of welcome was as follows:

"Representatives of His Excellency, Mr. Mayor, Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Knight Breckinridge: I thank you for your gracious words of welcome. I feel they are not mere formalities, but spring from generous hearts and noble impulses. The fame of Kentucky's hospitality is well-known

on that far-off western shore from which I come. It was my pleasure and good fortune to be associated for a number of years in business with a gentleman who was a native here and to the manor born. He drew around him many of his countrymen, who, like himself, were building up new homes in the Golden Land, and in that way I had an opportunity to become somewhat familiar with Kentucky character and its guiding impulses, and I assure you the more familiar I became the more I learned to esteem and respect it.

"His Honor, the Mayor, has presented me with a key, which he says is the key to the hearts of his citizens. I find on examination it must be the key to the outer city gate. When I entered the city I found it full of men with combination locks upon their hearts, and the words that open those combinations are Brotherly Love. I found it filled with elegant women, and if I were asked to describe them as a reporter asked me to-day to describe the procession—in two words—I would say, "beauty and worth." I imagine there can be but few single men in this goodly city, there are so many opportunities not to be such. You may say of course I am a single man, and know little about these things, but I have been observant in my life, and I have come to the conclusion that the brightest jewel and rarest gem a man can ever have is a good wife.

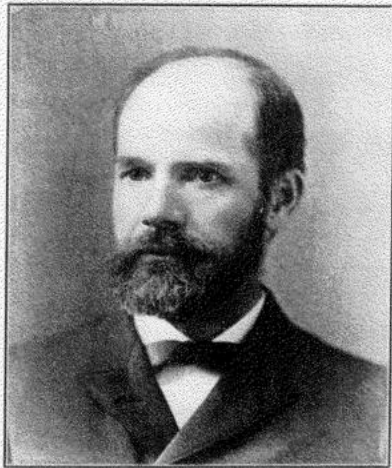
"I believe I can confide to you a secret of the Encampment without violating any of the obligations. At numerous conclaves we received pressing invitations to come to your city and State and hold a meeting here, but we voted to go elsewhere until the last time, when the facts, figures, arguments and eloquence of our late Sir Knight Shirley—a kinder heart and a truer man never lived—convinced us, and we accepted. We did not decline to come at any time because we had the slightest doubt about the hospitality of your people, or that we would not be pleasantly and agreeably received and cared for, but the real secret reason was on account of the hosts of Templars, their families and friends and visitors who congregate on an occasion like this; we were afraid your hospi-

tility would be overburdened and you would regret our coming.

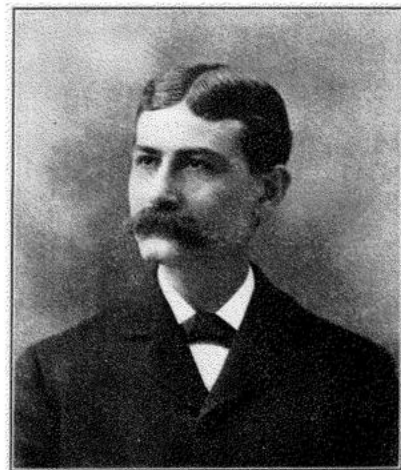
"Even after we had accepted, many of our members still had fears that you would be overrun with our numbers, but I must say happily those fears have all been dispelled since your hospitality has been put to the test, and, like the little darky with the big watermelon, you have shown us how easily and comfortably you could take us all in. I know we are with our friends. I beg of you not to put yourselves out in the least in caring for my fraters. You may think many of them are fat and sleek, and used to the good things of this life, but I assure you that they have all been taught and believe that even plain bread and pure water in the house of a friend is far more enjoyable than a sumptuous repast with strangers.

"We come among you with a military aspect, but let me tell you that it is but in remembrance of what occurred in ancient times, and the occasion which brought our order into existence.

"Our order is founded on three great controlling principles; we are taught to love our God, our country, and our fellow-man. We are firm believers in Christian religion. We believe the highest development in man will be attained by carrying out its broad, beneficent and humanizing doctrines, and yet we believe in harmony with the constitution of our country, that every man is entitled to be absolutely protected in the free exercise of his religious belief, and should not be discriminated against on account of it, but he has no right to intrude it into the management of our civil affairs. We are an industrious and progressive people. A desire to provide for those dependent upon us and for ourselves in our declining years impels us to engage in various callings and enterprises, and to attempt to solve that ever-fascinating and oft-delusive problem of how to make two dollars out of one. In its pursuit, we very often overlook the toiling brother by our side, who, by his miscalculation or lack of opportunity, is left, perchance with a family, at misfortune's door, staring want in the face. We should not forget that our chances of



V. EM. SIR HARPER M. ORAHOOD.
Grand Warden Grand Encampment Knights Templar, U. S. A., 1898-1901—
Denver, Col.



V. EM. SIR CHARLES C. VOGT.
Grand Captain of the Guard, Grand Encampment Knights Templar,
U. S. A., 1898-1901; Appointed Grand Sword Bearer, 1901—
Louisville, Ky.

success in life are enhanced in proportion to the prosperity of the country in which we live, and when we put out a helping hand to lift a falling brother to his feet again, we are not only doing a good act, but are indirectly aiding ourselves.

"Our members are taught to practice the precept 'Do unto others as ye would that others should do unto you,' and in carrying out that great doctrine of the Christian in its letter and spirit we believe largely depends the moral, intellectual and spiritual welfare of mankind. When that doctrine is thoroughly understood and universally observed, then we will be a united and a happy people. To bring that great result about is one of the purposes of the order which you are now entertaining.

"Again, in its name, I thank you for this warm and gracious welcome."

As the Grand Master took his seat there was loud and long applause, followed by music.

All but the members of the Grand Encampment now retired from the chapel. Grand Master Lloyd then formally convened the Twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave of the Knights Templar of the United States. But little business was transacted, the session not lasting over a half hour.

Ensuing sessions were fixed to begin at 9:30 a. m. and 5:30 p. m., with an intermission of one hour at noon, for lunch.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The following standing committees for the next three years were appointed:

Committee on Credentials—Walter M. Hindman, of Indiana; Peter McGill, of New Jersey; Archibald F. Gillfillan, Hawaiian Territory.

Committee on Doings of the Grand Officers—Charles H. Armatage, of New York; Robert Moulthrop, of Alabama; William S. Ware, of Florida; Edward C. Day, of Montana; Julius B. Bissell, of Colorado.

Committee on Charters and Dispensations—Charles R. Hawley, of Michigan; Frederick G. Brecht, of Arizona; Edward W. Wellington, of Kansas; Almond L. Woods, of North Dakota; Z. T. Waldron, of Indian Territory.

Committee on Unfinished Business—Geo. Gibson, of the District of

Columbia; DeWitt E. Allen, of North Carolina; Edgar A. McCullough, of Arkansas; Julius C. Cross, of Oklahoma Territory; C. B. Winn, of Oregon.

Committee on Grievances—George B. McKee, of California; Arthur B. Foster, of Ohio; Albert S. Comstock, of Connecticut; Daniel Payson, of Vermont; John K. F. Steele, of West Virginia.

Committee on Necrology.—J. C. W. Coxe, of Iowa; Henry G. Thayer, of Indiana; George McGowan, of New York; T. Seddon Tallafarro, Jr., of Wyoming; Enoch Strother, of Nevada.

The committee to select the next meeting place was not elected until after the invitations from various cities had been received.

Second Day's Session.

THE Grand Encampment resumed its session Wednesday morning at 9:45 o'clock. Owing to the fact that so many Sir Knights attended the competition drill, only about two hundred of the one thousand or more

members were present, and limited to those having a vote in the Encampment.

The session was opened with prayer by Grand Prelate, Rev. J. C. W. Coxe. Grand Master Reuben H. Lloyd then read his report, which among other things, said:

"The order is in a most satisfactory and healthy condition and steadily growing. The present term, which began July 1, 1899, commenced with 114,540 members and closed with 125,108. The order is in a much more healthy condition than it was before the promulgation of the decision that voluntary remaining a non-affiliate in lodge or chapter for six months would affect membership in a commandery, for now every member of the order is sustaining it, root and branch.

"Since our last session a formal treaty of peace has been entered into between the United States and Spain. By ninety days of actual warfare over ten millions of people, occupying more than 260,000 square miles of the earth's surface, were freed from oppression. Where it was dangerous to be a Mason, our order may now securely spread its humanizing and elevating influences. The schoolhouse and the lodge can

labor together to brush aside ignorance and superstition and teach the down-trodden people the blessing of civil and religious liberty. We should indeed feel proud—as we do—that a Templar was the guiding spirit in bringing about this happy change to so many human beings.

"The sphere of our usefulness is gradually enlarging. Our labors are but commencing. We must press onward until liberty and enlightenment shall illumine the world; until every land and every people shall have heard and rejoiced at the fulfillment of the proclamation, made by the angels at the coming of Him whose followers we are, 'On earth peace, good will toward men.'

"The report of the Grand Treasurer, H. Wales Lines, showed receipts of \$11,069, and net cash resources of \$47,256. The report of the Grand Recorder, William H. Mayo, contained these figures: Net gain in membership in 1899, 2,444; in 1900, 2,300; in 1901, 4,304, the year ending July 1. There are at present, 1,059 commanderies, with a membership of 125,108. The States having over 2,000 are as follows: California, 3,556; Connecticut, 2,696; Illinois, 9,587; Indiana, 3,767; Iowa, 4,378; Kansas, 3,361; Kentucky, 2,395; Maine, 3,590; Massachusetts and Rhode Island, 13,112; Michigan, 5,880; Minnesota, 2,739; Missouri, 4,606; New Hampshire, 2,234; New York, 12,163; Ohio, 8,945; Pennsylvania, 13,288; Texas, 2,270; Wisconsin, 3,149."

Prize Drill.

August 28th.

Splendid Array of Knights on Church Hill Downs.

Contest witnessed by a vast assemblage of gallantry and beauty from all over the land.

THE Mecca toward which was attracted the principal interest of the multitude, was the grand prize drill. Historic Churchill Downs, the scene of many brilliant contests among blooded equines was early crowded with an expectant and enthusiastic throng of Knights Templar, their families and citizens of Louisville and elsewhere. Over 30,000 people witnessed the contest.

Judges Chosen.

THE judges were Capt. A. S. Fleming, of the United States artillery; Lieutenant Fred De Funiak, of the Twenty-second Infantry, U. S. A.; Capt. Charles Suret, United States Artillery, and Maj. C. S. Ammel, Capt. Gen. Mt. Vernon Commandery No. 1, Columbus, O. The names of the judges were announced only a few minutes before the time set for Columbia corps to open the drill.

The contesting drill corps consisted of six crack companies, besides California No. 1, the Mounted Corps, which gave an exhibition that was a beautiful sight and awakened immense enthusiasm. The contesting corps and their composition were:

Alleghany, No. 35, Pittsburg, Pa.—Captain, W. H. Heckert; First Lieutenant, Howard B. Ousler; Second Lieutenant, Russell Duncan; Robert J. Bovard, A. K. Wallaker, Willie C. Williams, W. J. Parker, H. P. Wyllie, William Schook, John Gray, Clifford Martin, John McN. Porter, Ed P. McMillan, Edward Spencer, T. A. Wieland, Harry Boercher, E. A. Dunham, John Williams, W. H. Young, Harry B. Butler, W. J. Otterson, W. J. Booth, J. C. Bash, J. Dunn, William Hunter, William J. Horlocks, Theo. A. Motheral, Lawrence M. Clinton.

Golden Gate Commandery, No. 16, San Francisco, Cal.—William Edwards, Commandant of drill corps; R. B. Moore, Senior Warden; E. S. Bean, Junior Warden, and John R. Aitkin, George R. Armstrong, Louis Arzner, Robert Ash, John Biller, G. L. Darling, A. J. De Lamore, Theo. Frolich, C. L. Gage, W. S. Gage, William Glander, H. S. Hutchings, George W. Lipman, James Madison, R. H. Mawbray, Robert McMillan, Mark Parish, William R. Phillips, J. C. Steachan, W. F. Waterson, R. W. Campbell.

St. Bernard Commandery No. 35, Chicago, Ill.—Eminent Sir Frank Curtis Roundy, Commandant; Eminent Sir George D. Eddy, First Lieutenant; Eminent Sir Thomas L. Miller, Second Lieutenant; Sir George Weldig, First Sergeant; Sir Emil A. Dorner, Second Sergeant, Eminent Sir H. W. Huehl, Sir C. B. Plattenburg, Sir John F. Turner, Sir J. A. Guilford, Eminent Sir John W. Swater, Sir W. F. Hoig, Eminent Sir R. L. Leonard, Sir Philip Lotz, Sir W. A. Huff, Sir C. H. Briot, Sir C. A. Haas, Sir J. E. May, Sir W. J. Weinsheimer, Sir E. J. Sherwin, Eminent Sir E. E. Rath, Sir C. C. Offerman, Sir J. W. Parker,

Sir O. W. Keatley, Sir A. W. Rathbun, Eminent Sir W. Blanchard, Sir George A. Eddy, Sir Albert Snoots, Sir H. L. Wiltse, Sir Fred Klaner, Sir Calvin B. Ford, Sir W. E. Clark, Sir H. D. Hinkley, Sir S. D. Simpson.

Hanselman Commandery, No. 16, Cincinnati, O.—J. W. Montgomery, Captain; Chas. F. Hake, Jr., Right Guide; Dr. Frank Ward, Left Guide; John B. Pevear, David M. Mills, Lovell F. Hobart, L. M. Lawton, W. J. Graf, E. J. Story, W. J. Wilson, M. G. Oberand, H. G. Schachter, Edward Kuhlman, Chas. Skiff, F. W. Hendley, Louis Beyerlein, Geo. Wiltsee, F. A. Kelly, Edward Knopf, O. L. Graesser, Wm. Bonte, J. W. Paul, W. Morten, Geo. Atridge, Geo. Alms, Frank Ball, A. Brown, A. S. Harkness, Joseph Allen, Wm. Stephen, Jesse Groves, August Ferger, Harry Bridge.

Columbia Commandery, No. 2, Washington, D. C.—Captain, Charles S. Domer; First Lieutenant, Benjamin Parkhurst; Second Lieutenant, Thomas B. Walker, Albert S. Riddle, Charles Soone, Herbert C. Easterday, J. Henry Small, Walter H. Klopfer, Charles Shreve, Jackson H. Blair, Harry F. Riley, Arthur Hess, Fred Sillers, Edgar Nelson, Louis Behrens, C. B. Mathews, James Gray, William Leissler, R. C. Williams, A. P. Lamprey, Gus Kannels, A. P. Myers, Lincoln Bamberger, E. St. Clair Thompson, Wallace Streater, Stanley Recker and Blake Harper.

Colorado Commandery No. 1, Denver.—R. A. Kincaid, Commanding; George D. Kimball, First Lieutenant; Aug. A. Zizka, Second Lieutenant; E. G. Arnold, I. S. Killie, Clay M. Van, William Gregory, E. H. Heckendorf, C. B. Eaton, John D. Allan, H. W. Postlewaite, C. J. Selmer, H. W. Hamun, S. D. C. Hays, H. S. Shattuck, Thomas L. Fife, I. G. Smith, E. F. Satterfield, S. C. Warner, W. J. Nichol, Charles E. Keeper, W. R. Burnham, W. H. Sanford, F. W. Lomax, I. D. Dillon, Charles L. Davis, J. W. Perry.

ROSTER OF THE MOUNTED CORPS

California Commandery, No. 1, San Francisco.—R. P. Hurlbut, Captain; G. F. Neal, Senior Warden; W. H. F. Titus, Junior Warden. Sir Knights—C. M. Plum, J. A. Marsh, O. F. Westphal, T. L. Henderson, J. Tonningsen, G. H. Umben, J. W. Likens, Max Claussenius, H. C. Porter, S. A. Clarke, L. A. Larsen, R. L. Radke, C. F. Wendell, B. N. Rowley, J. B. Ridley, D. M. Lawrence, F. W. Webster, R. L. Hathorn, W. H. F. Titus, W. F. Chipman, C. H. Dyer, J. G. Liebold, H. B. Ream, G. E. Dorn, M. E. Unger, W. E. Elsert, J. S. Ewing.

A Spirited Contest.

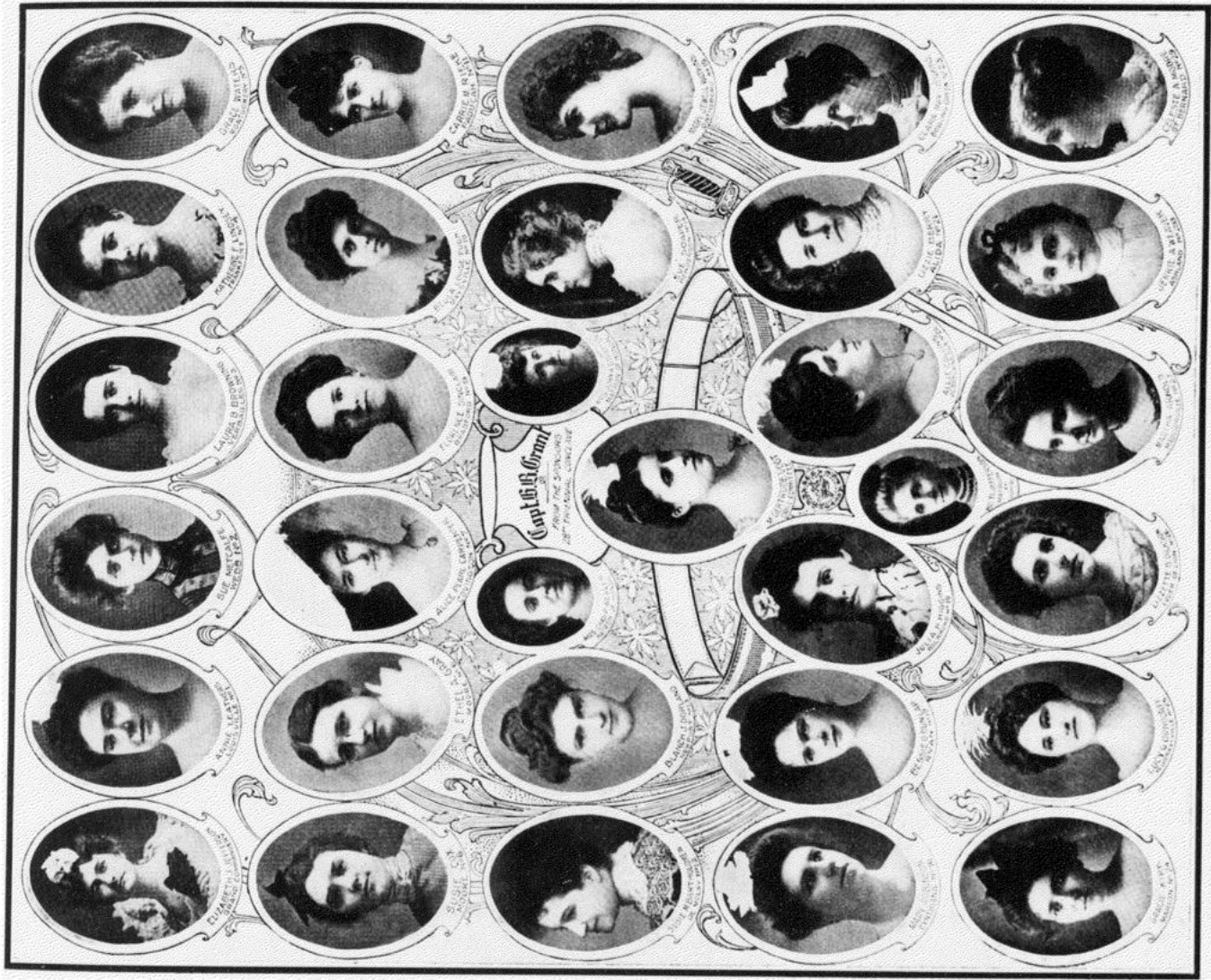
AT 9:30 the bugle sounded and the first company to appear was Columbia's crack team, followed in order during the contest by Colorado, Hanselmann, Alleghany, St. Bernard, and Golden Gate, the Knights on horseback finishing the entertainment with a drill that carried the mind back eight centuries, to the charging legions of the ancient cavaliers on the plains of Palestine.

Each participant put up a magnificent drill, and it was with difficulty that a decision was at last made, awarding first prize to the Denver Corps, Colorado No. 1, commanded by Capt. R. A. Kinkead. The prize consisted of a magnificent sterling silver banquet set of thirty-four pieces, valued at \$3,000. To St. Bernard Commandery was awarded the second prize; to Golden Gate, third; to Hanselmann, fourth; to California No. 1, fifth. The contest lasted from 9:30 a. m. to 4 p. m.

The promulgation of awards and the presentation of prizes took place at 9:30 p. m., at the Horse Show Building, in the presence of a brilliant throng. This ceremony was performed by twenty-eight pretty sponsors, selected from the State of Kentucky.

List of Sponsors.

Miss Minnie Gertrude Vogt, Louisville, for the Drill Committee.
Miss Elizabeth Julia Jefferson, Louisville for the Grand Commandery.
Miss Annie Leathers, for Louisville, No. 1.
Miss Sue Metcalfe, for Webb, No. 2, Lexington.
Miss Laura Browning, for Versailles, No. 3.
Miss Katherine Lindsey, for Frankfort, No. 4.
Miss Grace Waters, of Louisville, for Montgomery, No. 5, Mt. Sterling.
Miss Susie Bell Cox, for Moore, No. 6, Hopkinsville, represented by Miss Ethel Gray, of Louisville.
Miss Elizabeth Sarah Fisk, for Covington, No. 7.
Miss Florence Sinclair, for Bradford, No. 9, Georgetown.
Miss Beulah Louise Pugh, of Vanceburg, for Maysville, No. 10.
Miss Carrie Rieke, for Paducah, No. 11.



SPONSORS REPRESENTING THE KENTUCKY COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, TWENTY-EIGHTH TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE, LOUISVILLE, K. Y., 1901.

Miss Susie Mills Bartholomew, for De Molay, No. 12, of Louisville.
 Miss Blanche Dorland, of Louisville, for Newport, No. 13.
 Miss Sue Soaper, for Henderson, No. 14.
 Miss Mary Jewell Watkins, for Owensboro, No. 15.
 Miss Mary Robinson, for Cynthiana, No. 16.
 Miss Bessie Gray Dunlap, for Ryan, No. 17, of Danville.
 Miss Julia Higgins, for Richmond, No. 19.
 Miss Allye Collins, for John C. Breckinridge, No. 20, of Flemingsburg.
 Miss Lizzie Berry, for Alida, No. 21, of Sturgis.
 Miss Clara Jenkins, for Bowling Green, No. 23.
 Miss Grace Kirk, for Marion, No. 24, of Lebanon.
 Miss Lucy Grubbs Orndorff, for Russellville, No. 29.
 Miss Lizette Blanton Dickson, for Coeur de Lion, No. 26, of Paris.
 Miss Martha Arnold, for Madisonville, No. 27.
 Miss Jerrie A. Weaver, for Ashland, No. 28.
 Miss Susan E. Atkinson, for St. Bernard, No. 29, of Earlington.

Surrenders the Championship.

AFTER all the awards had been made, a bugle was sounded, and the announcement was made by herald that DeMolay Commandery No. 12, of Louisville, craved admission. The order being given to admit them, a drill corps of twenty-four men and three officers under the command of DeMolay's drillmaster, Sir Knight T. L. Jefferson, moved forward through the long hall and drew up in a solid line in front of the platform, and presented swords.

Eminent Commander John L. Adams then addressed the chairman of the Drill Committee, Capt. H. R. Grant, stating that DeMolay Commandery, which had held the championship for eighteen years, desired an audience with the victorious commandery. This request being granted, the line faced the Denver Commandery and then each member of the DeMolay corps took his official commandery badge from his coat and pinned it on the breast of the man opposite him. It was a delicate bit of courtesy and the ceremony was quite ef-

fective. The line then fell back and saluted the newly-created champions and the Denver men returned the salute.

Eminent Commander Adams then presented a beautiful silk pennant, half white and half black, on which was embroidered in gold letters the word "Champions," and underneath a large passion cross in red. The banner was handsomely mounted and on the staff was a gold plate suitably inscribed.

At 8 o'clock an exhibition of fireworks took place at the Masonic Home. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon while the drill was in progress, a floating concert and excursion was given on the Ohio. An instrumental concert at 8:20. A reception at headquarters, 8:00 to 12:00 p. m., and several other functions. It had been a busy day, crowded full of entertainment of different kinds, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the Knights.

Grand Encampment Elects Officers and Completes Its Work August 29th.

DURING this eventful last day of the meeting, while crack corps were contesting for prizes on Churchill Downs, and various social functions were in progress for the entertainment of the visitors, the Grand Encampment was busy completing its routine work and selecting grand officers for the ensuing term:

Right Eminent Sir Knight Henry Bates Stoddard, of Bryan, Texas, was chosen Grand Master.

Very Eminent Sir George A. Moulton, of Chicago, was chosen Deputy Grand Master.

Very Eminent Sir Henry W. Rugg, of Providence, R. I., Grand Generalissimo.

Very Eminent Sir William B. Melish, of Cincinnati, Grand Captain General.

Very Eminent Sir Joseph A. Locke, of Portland, Me., Grand Senior Warden.

Right Eminent Sir Frank H. Thomas, Past Grand Commander of the District of Columbia, Grand Junior Warden.

Right Eminent Sir John A. Gerow, of Detroit, Past Grand Commander of Michigan, was chosen Grand Recorder.

Very Eminent Sir Knight H. Wales Lines, of Meriden, Conn., was re-elected Grand Treasurer, an office he has held since 1866. After his election the new Grand Master announced his selections for the appointive offices.

Very Eminent Sir Arthur McArthur, of Troy, N. Y., was named as Grand Standard Bearer.

Owing to his untiring efforts in behalf of the Conclave, and his splendid work in every department during the meeting, Very Eminent Sir Chas. C. Vogt, of Louisville, was advanced two positions from Grand Captain of the Guard to Grand Sword Bearer.

Right Eminent Sir Knight Robert Strong, of New Orleans, Past Grand Commander of Louisiana, was appointed Grand Warden.

Right Eminent Sir Knight Chas. E. Rosenbaum, of Little Rock, Past Grand Commander of Arkansas, was appointed Grand Captain of the Guard.

The Grand Master then announced that he would not appoint the Grand Prelate, or name his committees for several days.

The Committee on Time and Place of Meeting reported in favor of San Francisco, and the report was unanimously adopted. Sir Knights from Minneapolis gave notice that that city desired to entertain the Conclave in 1907.

The Finance Committee made its report, which was accepted, and about \$5,000, mainly the Grand Encampment's Conclave expenses, was disbursed. Several other committee reports were heard.

The installation of newly-elected officers then took place.

Each officer, including the new Grand Master, made a brief speech of acceptance of the trust imposed upon them. Retiring Grand Master Lloyd made a short speech, which was received with the most intense interest by the Grand Encampment. Upon Grand Master Lloyd's retirement from the chair, the West Virginia delegation presented him with a beautiful water urn of fine china.

All business being completed, the Encampment adjourned a little after 4 o'clock, until the first Tuesday in 1904, at San Francisco, California.

During the morning, the Grand Secretaries of the different Grand Commanderies met in the Masonic Temple Building and elected the following officers: H. B. Grant, of Kentucky, President; A. S. Wilson, of Kansas, Secretary and Treasurer.

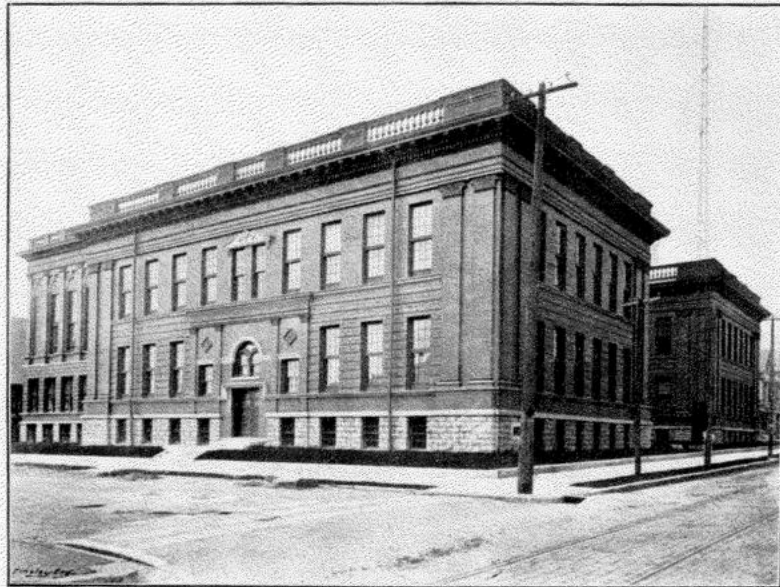
Closing Scene.

THE closing scene—and a brilliant climax it was to a week of genuine fraternity and old-fashioned Kentucky hospitality—was the grand ball at the Horse Show Building, participated in by a crush of fair women and gallant men. The new Grand Officers, their ladies and the Sponsors and Maids of Honor were in attendance. The noted Stonewall Brigade Band struck into a swinging quickstep, and the grand march was begun.

Most Eminent Sir Stoddard was escorted to the seat of honor, and Weber's band struck up a waltz. On through the fleeting hours sped nimble feet through the mazes of the dance, which was ended only by the wee small hours of the morning.

Thus amid a scene of rare and exceptional brilliancy, closed the Twenty-eighth Conclave of Knights Templar of the United States.





GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL, LOUISVILLE, KY., WHERE THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT
OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
CONVENED IN ITS TWENTY-EIGHTH TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE.

Roster of Grand Officers
Of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar, U. S. A.
 1898-1901.

REUBEN HEDLEY LLOYD, M. E.,	Grand Master,	San Francisco, Cal.
HENRY B. STODDARD, R. E.,	Deputy Grand Master,	Bryan, Texas.
GEORGE M. MOULTON, V. E.,	Grand Generalissimo,	Chicago, Ill.
HENRY W. RUGG, V. E.,	Grand Captain-General,	Providence, R. I.
WILLIAM B. MELISH, V. E.,	Grand Senior Warden,	Cincinnati, O.
JOSEPH A. LOCKE, V. E.,	Grand Junior Warden,	Portland, Me.
REV. JAMES C. W. COXE, V. E.,	Grand Prelate,	Washington, Iowa.
H. WALES LINES, V. E.,	Grand Treasurer,	Meriden, Conn.
WILLIAM HENRY MAYO, V. E.,	Grand Recorder,	St. Louis, Mo.
LEE S. SMITH, V. E.,	Grand Standard Bearer,	Pittsburg, Pa.
ARTHUR MACARTHUR, V. E.,	Grand Sword Bearer,	Troy, N. Y.
HARPER M. ORAHOOD, V. E.,	Grand Warder,	Denver, Colo.
CHARLES C. VOGT, V. E.,	Grand Captain of the Guard,	Louisville, Ky.

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 Elected Aug. 29, 1901, to serve until 1904.

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FRANK H. THOMAS, V. E.,	Grand Junior Warden,	Washington, D. C.
REV. DANIEL CRANE ROBERTS, D. D., V. E.,	Grand Prelate,	Concord, N. H.
H. WALES LINES, V. E.,	Grand Treasurer,	Meriden, Conn.
JOHN A. GEROW, V. E.,	Grand Recorder,	Detroit, Mich.
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ROBERT STRONG, V. E.,	Grand Warder,	New Orleans, La.
CHARLES E. ROSENBAUM, V. E.,	Grand Captain of the Guard,	Little Rock, Ark.

Grand Masters

Of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America,
1816-1901

Conclave.	Year.	Name.	Where From.	Remarks.
I	1816	DEWITT CLINTON,	New York, N. Y.,	} Died in office, Feb. 11, 1828.
II	1819	DEWITT CLINTON,	New York, N. Y.,	
III	1826	DEWITT CLINTON,	New York, N. Y.,	} Died April 1, 1843.
IV	1829	REV. JONATHAN NYE,	Claremont, N. H.,	
V	1832	REV. JONATHAN NYE,	Claremont, N. H.,	} Died _____
VI	1835	JAMES MADISON ALLEN,	Cayuga, N. Y.,	
VII	1838	JAMES MADISON ALLEN,	Cayuga, N. Y.,	} Died December 22, 1865.
VIII	1841	JAMES MADISON ALLEN,	Cayuga, N. Y.,	
IX	1844	ARCHIBALD BULL,	Troy, N. Y.,	} Died January 5, 1866.
X	1847	WILLIAM BLACKSTONE HUBBARD,	Columbus, Ohio,	
XI	1850	WILLIAM BLACKSTONE HUBBARD,	Columbus, Ohio,	} Died August 12, 1870.
XII	1853	WILLIAM BLACKSTONE HUBBARD,	Columbus, Ohio,	
XIII	1856	WILLIAM BLACKSTONE HUBBARD,	Columbus, Ohio,	} Died April 14, 1888.
XIV	1859	BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH,	Washington, D. C.,	
XV	1862	BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH,	Washington, D. C.,	} Died November 28, 1897.
XVI	1865	HENRY L. PALMER,	Milwaukee, Wis.,	
XVII	1868	WILLIAM SEWELL GARDNER,	Newton, Mass.,	} Died July 24, 1896.
XVIII	1871	JOHN Q. A. FELLOWS,	New Orleans, La.,	
XIX	1874	JAMES HERBON HOPKINS,	Washington, D. C.,	} Died April 9, 1897.
XX	1877	VINCENT LOMBARD HURLBUT,	Chicago, Ill.,	
XXI	1880	BENJAMIN DEAN,	Boston, Mass.,	} Died June 28, 1890.
XXII	1883	ROBERT ENOCH WITHERS,	Wytheville, Va.,	
XXIII	1886	CHARLES ROOME,	New York, N. Y.,	} Died _____
XXIV	1889	JOHN P. S. GOBIN,	Lebanon, Pa.,	
XXV	1892	HUGH McCURDY,	Corunna, Mich.,	} Died _____
XXVI	1895	WARREN LARUE THOMAS,	Pittsburg, Pa.,	
XXVII	1898	REUBEN HEDLEY LLOYD,	San Francisco, Cal.,	} Died _____
XXVIII	1901	HENRY BATES STODDARD,	Bryan, Texas,	



GRAND ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY.—KNIGHTS TEMPLAR COURT OF HONOR—COUNTY COURT HOUSE AND CITY HALL.

Knights Templar.

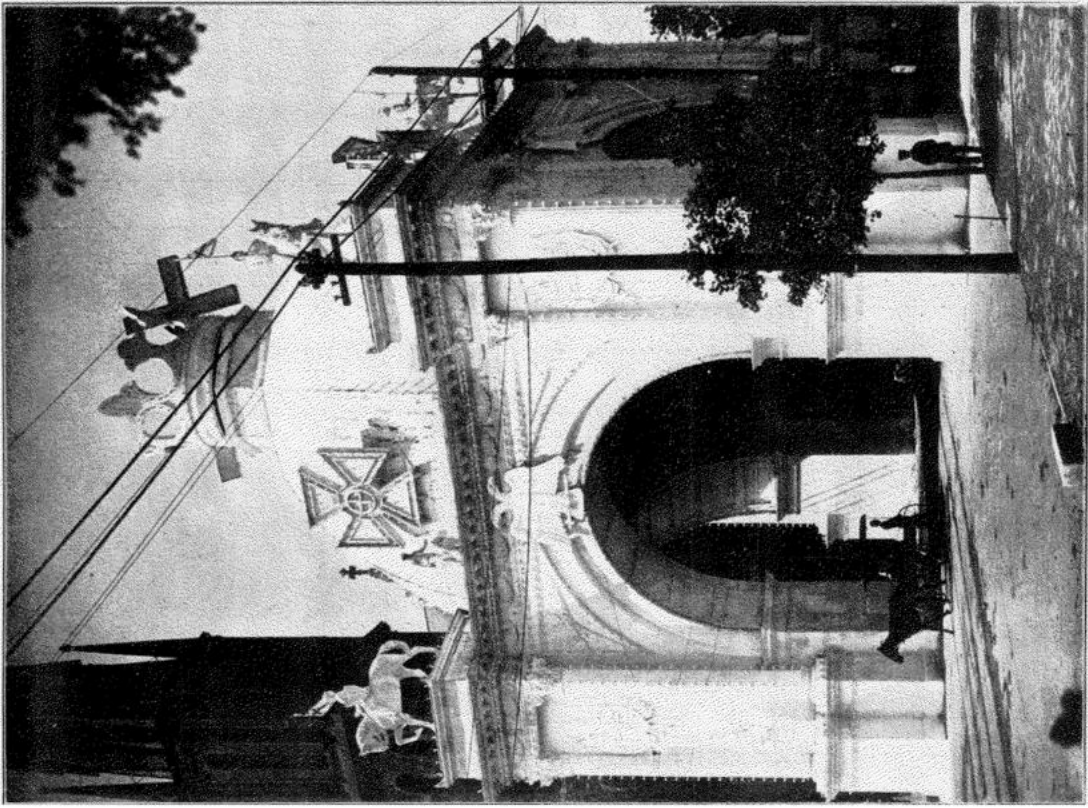
Number of Sir Knights in Good Standing in Each State, for Year Ending July 1, 1901.

Alabama	463	Montana	426
Arizona	191	Nebraska	1,660
Arkansas	564	New Hampshire	2,234
California	3,556	New Jersey	1,941
Colorado	1,683	New York	12,163
Connecticut	2,696	North Carolina	409
District of Columbia	1,497	North Dakota	606
Florida	309	Ohio	8,945
Georgia	855	Oklahoma Territory	249
Illinois	9,587	Oregon	463
Indiana	3,767	Pennsylvania	13,283
Indian Territory	195	South Dakota	771
Iowa	4,738	Tennessee	1,001
Kansas	3,361	Texas	2,270
Kentucky	2,395	Vermont	1,766
Louisiana	332	Virginia	1,638
Maine	3,590	Washington	710
Maryland	1,251	West Virginia	1,333
Massachusetts and Rhode Island	13,112	Wisconsin	3,149
Michigan	5,880	Wyoming	392
Minnesota	2,739	Commanderies Subordinate to Grand Encampment	1,645
Mississippi	682		
Missouri	4,606	Total	125,108

Commanderies Subordinate

To the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the U. S. A. for the Year Ending July 1, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
411	1	ST. JOHN'S	Wilmington, Del.	Harry J. Guthrie	James H. Price.
69	1	HONOLULU	Honolulu, Hawaii	Arch F. Gillilan	Joshua D. Tucker.
92	1	IDAHO	Boise City, Idaho	Jesse K. Dubois	Theophilus W. Randall.
27	2	LEWISTON	Lewiston, Idaho	John D. McConkey	Benjamin F. Morris.
46	3	MOSCOW	Moscow, Idaho	William W. Watkins	John Moore.
33	4	GATE CITY	Pocatello, Idaho	A. B. Stevenson	James M. Masonheimer.
87	1	DEWITT CLINTON	Virginia City, Nevada	Wm. Southerland	Wm. Southwell.
35	2	EUREKA	Eureka, Nevada	John Hancock, Sr.	Jacob H. Hoegh.
26	1	SANTA FE	Santa Fe, N. M.	Edward L. Bartlett	Frank S. Davis.
42	2	LAS VEGAS	Las Vegas, N. M.	John A. Murray	Gus A. Rothgeb.
104	3	PILGRIM	Albuquerque, N. M.	Arthur Everitt	Lewis H. Chamberlin.
47	4	MCGRORTY	Deming, N. M.	Seaman Field	Edward Pennington.
35	5	AZTEC	Raton, N. M.	Peter P. Fanning	Chester D. Stevens, Actg.
35	6	RIO HONDO	Roswell, N. M.	Edward A. Cahoon	Wm. H. Cosgrove.
27	7	MALTA	Silver City, N. M.	Carl Hagen	Wm. F. Lorentz.
114	1	SOUTH CAROLINA	Charleston, S. C.	Samuel S. Buist	Wm. Korber.
139	2	COLUMBIA	Columbia, S. C.	Jacob T. Barron	B. Clark DuPre.
45	3	SPARTANBURG	Spartanburg, S. C.	David R. Duncan	Wm. A. Law.
28	4	GREENVILLE	Greenville, S. C.	A. H. Schade	J. F. Bruns.
117	1	UTAH	Salt Lake City, Utah	W. H. Cunningham	La Vern B. Smith.
86	2	EL MONTE	Ogden, Utah	William F. Adams	Alvin C. Emerson.
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GRAND ENCAMPMENT, LOUISVILLE, KY—KNIGHTS TEMPLAR TRIUMPHAL ARCH, FOURTH AND BROADWAY.

Ancient Templary.

Written by
William B. Polk,
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THE ancient order of Knights Templar had its genesis in a formal union between Chivalry and the Church early in the eleventh century, shortly after the capture of Jerusalem by the first Crusaders

under Godfrey de Bouillon, July 15, 1099.

Long before this event, however, the Church had drawn the institution of Chivalry to the support of its pretensions. Through the zealous exhortations of Peter the Hermit, and the earnest appeals of Pope Urban II., the people of Europe were fired with religious ardor and the first armed expedition was set on foot for the purpose of rescuing the Holy Sepulchre from the grasp of the infidel. And as Templary was based, primarily, upon the institution of Chivalry, it is necessary to a clear understanding of the history of the former to give some account of the latter.

The exact time when Chivalry had its origin is hard to determine. Certainly as early as feudalism, and it appears to have been a concomitant part of that system. During the time of the Romans the chief reliance of the people of Europe was upon foot soldiers, or infantry. But a gradual change took place, whereby cavalry came to be the principal arm of military power, and the profession of arms, especially in this branch of the service, was eagerly assumed by the better classes of society.

This transformation appears to have reached its climax shortly before the year 1096, when the first Crusade started to the Holy Land. The German knight, Saxon knight, French cavalier, Italian cavaliere and Spanish caballero were synonymous terms of description for that class of militant warriors.

In the several kingdoms which arose upon the ruins of the

Roman empire, every petty chief, baron or person of estate, was a knight. Feudalism and knighthood were co-existent and conjoint. But within this form of chivalry there inhered a *moral* and *personal* knighthood, the germ from which, in later times, sprang resistance to oppression and wrong; and from which, in after centuries, blossomed into fuller fragrance the flower of individual and constitutional liberty. It was based upon the sentiments of humanity, of conscious right, and of justice. It established woman in her just rank in the moral world and its principles were derived from a source which the classical ancients could not boast of.

Among the Germans, the bearing of arms was a question to be decided by the State. In northern and central Europe, and in Scandinavia, the same rule obtained. The spirit of clanship or fraternity, which so strongly characterized the Middle Ages, was of great antiquity, having long existed in Germany, Gaul, and Scandinavia, as related by Tacitus and Caesar. But the quality of knighthood which distinguishes the modern from the ancient world was not created by any chivalric institution.

Chivalry reflected the general character and expressed the dominant feelings and sentiments of the people of that time. Its votaries were recruited from the ranks of the highest, noblest and most opulent classes. Knighthood had become a distinction before the days of Charlemagne, who gave to the governor of Friesland authority to make knights by personally investing them with a sword and giving them a slap.

There ensued a great change in the institution of Chivalry by reason of the engraftment upon it of principles and objects which gave a different trend to its purposes and aims. The new policy at once dominated and controlled it, especially during the Crusades undertaken for the acquisition and retention of Palestine.

More than half a century before the capture of Jerusalem by Godfrey, hospitals for the relief of Pilgrims had been founded along the road from the Mediterranean to the Holy City, and in the latter, in the year 1042, was established a large institution of like character by the "Ancient Hospitalers," or "Knights of St. John." Immediately after the capture of Jerusalem this noble institution of charity opened its doors to the wounded and helped to mitigate the horrors of the situation. By a bull of Pope Paschal II., A. D., 1113, it was taken under the protection of the Holy See, and its friars were enrolled as armed knights. At the same time, also, Hugh de Payens and eight of his companions who had fought valiantly with him in the Crusade, organized themselves into a body similar to that of the Ancient Hospitalers, calling themselves "Poor Fellow Soldiers of Jesus Christ." Going before the Patriarch of Jerusalem, they assumed vows of constancy and chastity and addressed themselves to the defence and alleviation of needy Pilgrims traveling from the sea coast to Jerusalem.

The names of those who composed this new charitable order were: Hugh de Payens, Godfrey de St. Aldemar, Roral, Gondemar, Godfrey Bisol, Payens de Montidier, Archibald de St. Amans, Andrew de Montbar and the Count de Provence. As their leader and Grand Master, they chose that noble and chivalric Burgundian Knight, Hugh de Payens. But having no permanent abode, and compelled for a time to accept the hospitality of the Ancient Hospitalers, in the year 1118 Baldwin II., King of Jerusalem, who had succeeded Godfrey, assigned to them a permanent place of habitation on Mount Moriah within the enclosure of the ancient Temple of Solomon. Here they established themselves, and later came to be known as the "Knighthood of the Temple of Solomon," or "Knights Templar," by which latter title they have ever since been called. As a further support to the order, which had increased rapidly in numbers and influence, Baldwin and the Patriarch and Prelates of Jerusalem, together with the

Barons of the Latin Kingdom, assigned to it numerous gifts and revenues.

Hugh de Payens died in the year 1136, but his pious and devoted efforts to alleviate the distress of his Christian brethren were continued by his successor, Robert de Craon, and others upon whose shoulders in course of time fell the mantle of the Grand Master.

The limits of this article preclude a relation of the many valorous deeds performed by Christian knighthood at Jerusalem, Ascalon, Hittin, Paneas, Gaza, Acre, and on scores of other bloody fields. Close on to two centuries the sanguinary contest raged between Christian and Moslem, and nine great Crusades were carried by Europe into Palestine. Vast amounts of treasure were expended, and millions of human lives were destroyed. But the Crescent finally prevailed over the Cross. On October 2, 1187, the Christian garrison surrendered the Holy City, after eighty-eight years of possession. Quitting its sacred precincts with thinned ranks and saddened hearts, they retired to their fortresses on the Mediterranean, where, for a period of one hundred and four years longer—at Tripoli, Gaza and Acre—they resisted with diminishing power the onslaughts of the irresistible cohorts of Islam.

In the final struggle, at Acre, was conspicuously illustrated the valor and devotion of the Knights Templar. Nobly they defended the Latin Kingdom of the East to the last moments of its final fate. Though hemmed in on all sides by over 200,000 Turks and Mamelukes, that had been gathered from Egypt, from the desert of Arabia, from the plains of Mesopotamia and the banks of the Euphrates, the knightly followers of the Cross quailed not. The final defense of Acre was entrusted to Peter de Beaujeau, Grand Master of the Templars. And, as has been said of him: "Well and chivalrously did he sustain his high and sacred charge. Acre fell, indeed, but not until this heroic representative of Christian knighthood and most of the noble followers of his standard had been slain."

The memory of the Knights Templar is embalmed in all our recollections of the beautiful romance of the Middle Ages, for the Red Cross Knights were the last band of Europe's hosts that contended for the possession of Palestine. A few, only, survived the fall of Acre. These retired to Sis, in Armenia. They were afterwards driven to the island of Tortosa, whence they escaped to Cyprus, and "the southern shore of the Mediterranean no longer rang with the cry of religious war."

In Europe there were still those, especially among the clergy, who pleaded for and zealously urged another attempt to reclaim the Holy Sepulchre from the Moslem. Pope Nicholas IV. plead earnestly for a revival of holy undertakings. But, among the masses, the flame of fanaticism which had burned so fiercely for two centuries, consuming millions of human lives and vast sums of treasure, was well nigh spent. But no appeals of the church could again point the standards of Christianity toward the Holy City. Some of the remnant of Red Cross Knights who escaped from the siege and downfall of Acre made their way back to France and other parts of Europe where they resumed the practices of their principles. They grew in power and soon became potent in affairs social and political. Philip, the Fair, King of France, jealous of the influence of the Templars, and coveting their revenues, determined upon their suppression. To Pope Clement V. he accused them of heresy, idolatry, murder, and various other crimes and immoralities. Clement at first doubted the truth of these charges, but was finally prevailed upon to institute inquiry. Philip thereupon promptly imprisoned all the Knights Templar who could be found in France and sequestered their property and estates. The Pope's commissioners at Paris submitted thirty-six Knights to the rack, in order to extort from them confessions of the charges brought

against them. These maintained their innocence until death closed their sufferings. Others survived torture and were cast into prison. Some confessed, in the midst of corporal agony, and afterwards recanted their confessions. Similar scenes of torture and agony were enacted in different parts of France. The Church was now become the unrelenting destroyer of those gallant spirits who had so long carried its banners to victory and for two centuries upheld and advanced it in Palestine.

Among those arrested by order of the French King and thrown into prison was Jacques de Molai, Grand Master of the society. He was repeatedly importuned to confess the sins of himself and brethren. He denied the charges against the society and called attention to its vast sacrifices of blood and treasure in defence of Christianity. But protestations were in vain. On March 18, 1313, after five years of imprisonment, de Molai was taken to the front of the Cathedral of Notre Dame and publicly burned at the stake. His mournful end, however, did not stamp out the noble order which he so conspicuously adorned. Its members carried on their work in secret and the order continued to exist, and will do so as long as humanity needs succor or defence.

The gallantry, the devotion, the enthusiasm and the good deeds of the Ancient Templars constitute a glorious page in the history of mankind, and time can never dim its lustre. Future ages will contemplate with wonder and admiration the heroism of that noble band of Christian Knights, who for two centuries battled for the Cross on the plains of Palestine, and many of whom were finally burnt at the stake as a reward for all their suffering and sacrifices.

"The Knights are dust,
And their good swords are rust;
Their souls are with the saints, we trust."

Modern Templary.

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MOST modern writer on the subject deny a close historic connection between ancient and modern Templary, though admitting a moral and sentimental bond of union,

through the inheritance by the latter of certain humanitarian principles. Rather, should it be observed, modern writers are skeptical of the claims of direct succession advanced by French Templars.

In view of the state of society existing at the time of DeMolay's death, when the frenzy of religious zeal had wrought itself to the highest pitch, it is hardly reasonable to believe that members of the order would continue publicly to display their connection with an institution that was being scourged with the most violent persecution. The natural action of the Templars would be to carefully veil their future transactions. Falling back upon the secret tokens and symbols of the order and shutting out the surveillance of their enemies, they most likely preserved communication with each other, and transmitted their principles to succeeding generations. And these principles, unchanged by time, are embraced in the present noble institution of Modern Templary.

GRAND MASTERS.

From Hugh de Payens, First Grand Master, to Jacques de Molay, the order had twenty-three Grand Masters, whose combined stewardship covered a period of two centuries. These were:

1	HUGH DE PAYENS,	Elected	A. D.	1118
2	ROBERT OF BURGUNDY,	"	"	1136
3	EVERARD DE BARRI	"	"	1146
4	BERNARD DE TREMELLAY	"	"	1151

5	BERTRAND DE BLANQUEFORT	Elected	A. D.	1154
6	PHILLIP OF NAPLOUS	"	"	1167
7	ODODE ST. ARMAND	"	"	1170
8	ARNOLD DE TROYE	"	"	1180
9	GERARD DE RIDEFORT	"	"	1185
10	BROTHER WALTER	"	"	1189
11	ROBERT DE SABLE	"	"	1191
12	GILBERT HORAL	"	"	1195
13	PHILIP DE PLESSIS	"	"	1201
14	WILLIAM DE CHAETRIS	"	"	1217
15	PETER DE MONTAIGU	"	"	1218
16	HERMAN DE PERIGORD	"	"	1236
17	WILLIAM DE SOUNAC	"	"	1245
18	REGINALD DE VICHIER	"	"	1253
19	THOMAS BERARD	"	"	1256
20	WILLIAM DE BEAUJEAU	"	"	1273
21	THEOBOLD DE GAUDINI	"	"	1291
22	JACQUES DE MOLAI	"	"	1297

SUCCESSION BROKEN.

At this point, as before observed, most modern writers on Templary insist that the line of succession was broken and lost. They assume that the repressive measures instituted by Clement and Phillip were successful in their operation and intent; and that the ancient order, by such cruel and bloody methods, ended in the dying groans of DeMolay and his brother Knights. This view, or opinion, however, is strenuously combatted by French Templars, who claim to be the only true and legitimate inheritors of the principles, records, seals and rituals of the "Ancient Order." Their Grand Master they assert to be the direct legal successor of DeMolay, by virtue of the "Charter of Larmenius." The authenticity of this document is denied by English and American writers on Templary. French Templars claim most positively that when De Molay was about to be burned at the stake, he sent for Jo-

hannes Marcus Larmenius and appointed him Grand Master of the Order, with authority to appoint a successor to himself before his death and thus preserve the succession.

About ten years after, in 1324, Larmenius issued the "charter" bearing his name, written in Latin and appointing as his successor, Thomas Theobaldus Alexandrius.

FRENCH CHARTER AND SUCCESSOR TO DEMOLAY.

This charter did not come to light, they claim, until 1705, when it reached Phillip, Duke of Orleans, at which time it bore the names of eighteen Grand Masters, in unbroken line, from the death of DeMolay. These eighteen successors of DeMolay, and their continuation, (according to the "Manual des Chevaliers de L'Order du Temple, Paris, 1817") were:

23	JOHANNES MARCUS LARMENIUS, HIEROSOLY-METAMES	Elected	A. D.	1314
24	THOMAS THEOBALDUS ALEXANDRIUS	"	"	1324
25	ANALDUS DE BBAGUE	"	"	1340
26	JOHANNES CLAROMONTANUS	"	"	1349
27	BERTRANDUS DU GUESCLIN	"	"	1357
28	JOHANNES ARMINIACUS	"	"	1381
29	BERNARDUS ARMINIACUS	"	"	1392
30	JOHANNES ARMINIACUS	"	"	1419
31	JOHANNES CROYUS	"	"	1451
32	BERNARDUS IMBALTIUS, VIC. MAG. AFRIC. (REGENS.)	"	"	1472
33	ROBERTUS LENONCURIUS	"	"	1478
34	GELEATIUS DE SALAZAR	"	"	1497
35	PHILIPPUS CHABOTIUS	"	"	1516
36	GASPARDUS DE SALCEACO TAVANNENSIS.....	"	"	1544
37	HENRICUS DE MONTMORENCIACO	"	"	1574
38	CAROLUS VALESIIUS	"	"	1615
39	JACOBUS RUXALLIUS DE GRANCEIO	"	"	1651
40	JACOBUS HENRICUS DE DUBOFORTI, DUX DE DUBAS	"	"	1681

And following them:

41	PHILIPPUS, DUX DE AURELLANENSIS	"	"	1705
42	LUDOVICUS AUGUSTUS BARBONIUS DUX DE MAINE	"	"	1724

43	LUDOVICUS HENRICUS BARBONIUS, CONDAEUS	Elected	A. D.	1737
44	LUDOVICUS FRANCISCUS BOBBONISIS, CONTY	"	"	1741
45	LUDOVICUS HENRICUS TIMOLEO DE COSSE BRISSAC	"	"	1776
46	CLAUDIUS MATHAEUS RADIX DE CHAVILLON, VIC. MAG. EUROPE (REGENS)	"	"	1792
47	BERNARDUS RAYMUNDUS FABRE PALAPRAT..	"	"	1804

After the discovery of this charter, in 1705, the society continued its existence, part of the time secretly, until the massacre of its Grand Master, the Duke de Cosse Brissac, at Versailles, in 1792.

Several years after the Duke's death, at the sale of his effects, it is claimed, the "Charter" was found, and Fabre Paleprat and associates revived the institution on the authority of that document. Upon this authority the "Order of the Temple" exists in France, as the legitimate successor of the "Ancient Order" founded at Jerusalem in 1113 by Hugh de Payens and his eight associates.

AMERICAN AND CANADIAN TEMPLARS.

American and Canadian Templars make no such claim, saying they derive their genesis from England. Nor do English Templars pretend to go back of the "Baldwyn Encampment." The Order of Templary, they say, existed at Bristol "from time immemorial," and the Knights held large possessions there. It is generally conceded that the Bristol Order antedates all other British Encampments. Early in the 19th Century the "Baldwyn Encampment" began the conferment of degrees, some of them similar to those conferred by American Sir Knights of to-day. A candidate for admission then must be a Royal Arch Mason, as at present. In 1860 the "Baldwyn Encampment" surrendered its independence and was merged into the Grand Conclave of England and Wales.

CONTINUOUS SUCCESSION OF TEMPLARY.

Concerning the disputed question of a continuous succession of Templary, and an unbroken line of Grand Masters,

from Hugh de Payens down to the present, that able and careful English writer, Charles Mills, in his "History of Chivalry," p. 222, says: "Jacques de Molai, the Grand Master at the time of the persecution, anticipating his own martyrdom, appointed as his successor in power and dignity, Johannes Marcus Larmenius, of Jerusalem, and from that time to the present there has been a regular and uninterrupted line of Grand Masters. The charter by which the supreme authority has been transmitted, is judicial and conclusive evidence of the Order's continued existence. This charter of transmission, with signatures of the various chiefs of the Temple, is preserved at Paris with the ancient statutes of the Order, the rituals, the records, the seals, the standards and other memorials of the early Templars. The brotherhood has been headed by the bravest cavaliers of France; by men, who jealous of the dignity of Knighthood, would admit no corruption, no base copies of the orders of chivalry; and who thought that the shield of their nobility was enriched by the impress of the Templar's red cross. Bertrand du Guesclin was the Grand Master from 1357 till his death in 1380, and he was the only French Commander who prevailed over the chivalry of our Edward III. From 1478 to 1497, we may mark Robert Lenoncourt; a cavalier of one of the most ancient and valiant families of Lorraine. Philippe Chabot, a renowned captain in the reign of Francis I., wielded the staff of power from 1516 to 1543. The illustrious family of Montmorency appear as Knights Templar, and Henry, the first duke, was the chief of the Order from 1574 to 1614. At the close of the seventeenth century the Grand Master was James Henry de Duras, a Marshal of France, the nephew of Turenne, and one of the most skillful soldiers of Louis XIV. The Grand Masters from 1734 to 1776 were three princes of the royal Bourbon family. The names and years of power of these royal personages who acknowledged the dignity of the 'Order of the Temple,' were Louis Augustus Bourbon, Duke of Maine, 1724-1737; Louis Henry Bourbon Conde, 1737-1741; and Louis Francis Bourbon

Conty 1741-1746. The successor of these princes in the grand mastership of the Temple was Louis Hercules Timoleon, Duke de Cosse Brissac, the descendant of an ancient family long celebrated in French history for its loyalty and gallant bearing. He accepted the office in 1776, and sustained it till he died in the cause of royalty at the beginning of the French Revolution. The order has now its Grand Master, Bernardus Raymondus Fabre Palaprat, and there are colleges in England and in many chief cities of Europe.

"Thus the very ancient and sovereign 'Order of the Temple' is now in full and chivalric existence, like those orders of Knighthood which were either formed in imitation of it, or had their origin in the same noble principles of chivalry. It has mourned as well as flourished; but there is in its nature and constitution a principle of vitality which has carried it through all the storms of fate. Its continuance by representatives as well as by title, is as indisputable a fact as the existence of any other chivalric fraternity. The Templars of these days claim no titular rank, yet their station is so far identified with that of the other orders of Knighthood, that they assert equal purity of descent from the same bright source of chivalry. Nor is it possible to impugn the legitimate claims to honorable estimation, which the modern brethren of the Temple derive from the antiquity and pristine lustre of their order, without at the same time shaking to its center the whole venerable fabric of knightly honor."

NO CONNECTION WITH EARLIER TEMPLARS.

Against these statements of the distinguished author of the "History of Chivalry," we have the opinions of a number of able and more modern writers, such as D. Murray Lyon, of the Grand Lodge of Scotland; Wm. J. Hughan of the Grand Lodge of England; Robert F. Gould, Author of Gould's "History of Free Masonry;" W. J. B. McLeod Moore (Canada); Sir Knight T. S. Parvin and others.

"The Masonic Knights Templar of the eighteenth century,

and since, have no connection with the earlier body, and never had. The origin of Masonic Templary is unknown."—Hughan.

"The theory that the chivalric Temple Order, on their persecution and dispersion, took refuge in the Masonic body is but one of the fabulous traditions of the past. There is not the slightest historical foundation for the statement that members of the dispersed Templars, after their suppression in 1314, became Free Masons. It is but one of the fabrications of modern Masonic tradition to account for the amalgamation of Templary with Masonry and is totally opposed to historic facts."—McLeod Moore.

Sir James H. Hopkins, in his report to the Grand Encampment, speaking of his investigations into this subject while in Europe says: "I made an anxious effort to learn the origin of the connection between Free Masonry and the Orders of the Christian Knighthood. The most eminent scholars whose writings I could procure and the most learned with whom I had the opportunity to converse, have failed to clear away the mists of uncertainty which envelop this interesting subject."

Sir Knight T. S. Parvin, former Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment says: "The theory that the Templary of our day is a legitimate off-shoot from that of the Christian Knights, although a beautiful and popular idea, will have to be abandoned as quite untenable on historic grounds. The conclusion we arrive at, after due consideration of the slight evidence in its favor, is that the Masonic Templary of to-day has no connection whatever with the Templars of the twelfth and fourteenth centuries."

Past Grand Commander Henry W. Rugg, of the Grand Commandery, of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, says: "It may not be claimed that there are any direct lines of alliance between the ancient Templars and the modern organization; but there is a traditional connection, a well-understood relation of sign, symbol and word, between the Templar Order as it now exists and the ancient body from which it takes its name. It is a flavor of the old heroic spirit pervading

modern Templary, which gives to it a delightful charm; it is the lessons, symbols, and associations, linked with the stirring period of the Crusaders, which greatly add to the impressiveness of the ceremonies enacted in conformity with the present Templar ritual; and it is a sentiment derived from that chivalric age when the best expression of Christian knighthood represented courage, honor, truth, courtesy, and the purpose to help the weak and suffering, which gives character to the Templar institution as it now exists. Masonic Templarism builds upon the record which the valiant Templars of the Middle Ages made for themselves. The heroic past is always a powerful incitement; and intelligent Knights Templars of the present time turn their mental visions earnestly to the body which was so powerful centuries ago. It is an open question whether the suppression of the ancient Templars carried with it the annihilation of the Order.

"It may not be claimed that Masonic Templarism of the nineteenth century is one and the same with the order instituted by Hugh de Payens and his associates; or with the Brotherhood of the Temple as afterwards organized; but there are lines of resemblance in sentiment and faith, as well as in distinctive rites and purposes, and the traditional connection may be properly preserved and emphasized."

The same writer further observes "In the middle of the eighteenth century, and especially near the close of that century, Templary and Freemasonry existed in very close relations, thus suggesting the statement so oft repeated, viz.: "That the same great principles which govern one govern both." But still the lines of lineage are different, and there are distinctions and differences between Freemasonry and Templary, in system and in organization, which ought not to be obscured. This separateness may be recognized without affecting the proposition laid down at the beginning of this paper, that there is ample justification for the use of these common terms, 'Masonic Templarism' and 'Templar Masonry.'"

AMERICAN TEMPLARY.

It is impossible to state just how, when or where the modern order of Masonic Templarism originated. That a degree of Templary was known and sometimes conferred as an adjunct to Masonic degrees, both in Great Britain and this country in the latter part of the eighteenth century, is unquestioned. At first, however, there were not, as far as known, any separate Templar bodies empowered to confer the degrees. Such degrees were conferred by Lodges or Chapters working under Lodge warrants.

St. Andrew's Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, of Boston, Mass. (then St. Andrew's Royal Arch Lodge) holding under the Grand Lodge of Scotland, held its first recorded meeting August 28, 1769, in Mason's Hall, that city, and the records of that meeting contain the first account of the conferring of the degree of Knight Templar that has been discovered, either in Great Britain or America. It is as follows:

"Brother William Davis came before the Lodge, begging to have and receive the parts belonging to the Royal Arch Masons, . . . and he was accordingly made by receiving the four steps, that of Excellent, Super Excellent, Royal Arch and Knight Templar."

Manifestly, the grade of Knight Templar must have been known and conferred in Masonic Lodges a considerable time before the year 1769. According to this record, the degree of Knight Templar was considered a part of the Royal Arch grade.

Whence the ceremony was obtained, or of what it constituted, is a mere matter of conjecture. It will be observed that the Red Cross Order is not named in the list of degrees conferred. The records of Kilwinning Lodge, Ireland, warranted October 8, 1779, show that its charter was used as the authority for conferring the Royal Arch, Knight Templar and Rose Croix Degrees, as early as 1782; but the Red Cross and the Rose Croix are two different degrees, and should not be confounded.

It is not improbable that the degree of Knight Templar was conferred, in numerous instances, in military and other lodges before the end of the American Revolution, for among the numerous prominent and titled officers who came with Lafayette to help the colonies in their struggle for independence, were many Masons. This latter opinion, however, is only inferential. It rests upon no known basis or foundation. It is a coincident fact, however, that the degree was conferred here about the time that Lafayette's army came to America, and doubtless having in its ranks officers who were members of the French Order of Templary.

The degrees embraced in the American schedule are those of Companion of the Red Cross, Knight Templar, and Knight of Malta. That of the Red Cross is not embraced in the English, European or Canadian Preceptorics, except that it is permitted in Canada to communicate it, in order to qualify those receiving it to visit American bodies. This degree has a curious and unsatisfactory way of appearing and disappearing in the earlier records of Templar bodies. It is mentioned in the diploma which is relied on to establish the conferring of the Templar degrees by St. Andrew's Lodge, at Charleston, S. C., in 1783—Frederic Speed.

The text of that diploma is as follows:

We, the High Priests, Captain Commandant of the Red Cross, and Captain General of the Most Holy and Invincible Order of Knights Templars of St. Andrew's Lodge, No. 1, Ancient Masons, held in Charleston, South Carolina, under charter from the Grand Lodge of the Southern District of North America, do hereby certify that our trusty and well beloved brother, Sir Henry Beaumont, hath passed the Chair, been raised to the sublime degrees of an Excellent, Super Excellent, Royal Arch Mason, Knight of the Red Cross, and a Knight of the Most Holy, Invincible and Magnanimous Order of Knights Templars, Knights Hospitallers, Knights of Rhodes, and of Malta, which several orders are above delineated, and he, having conducted himself like a true and faithful brother, we affectionately recommend him to all the fra-

ternity of Ancient Masons around the globe wherever assembled.

"Given under our hands, and the seal of our Lodge, this first day of August 5783, and of Malta 3517.

"George Carter, Captain General.

"Thomas Pashley, 1st King.

"William Nisbet, 2d King,

"Rd. Mason, Recorder.

Commenting upon the record of Bro. William Davis' induction into the order at Boston, August 28, 1769, Bro. Wm. J. Hughan observes: "This minute contains the earliest known reference in the world to the degree of a Masonic Knight Templar."

A few years later Kilwinning Lodge No. 75, Dublin, Ireland, was conferring a degree of Knight Templar, and in Scotland about the same time, there was recognition of such a degree. During the decade closing the end of the century, there were established several "encampments" in England, Ireland, and the United States, but their history is fragmentary and obscure.

Such independent bodies were organized at Charleston, S. C., Philadelphia, Pa., Wilmington, Del., Baltimore, New York, Hartford, Newburyport, Boston, Providence, and probably in other places where the Masonic Fraternity had become strong.

And thus were laid the foundations of the Order of Knights Templar as it now exists in this country.

"These early organizations instituted under sanction of inherent right, or by authority of the Scottish Rite bodies, or some other assumed superior power, had their scope and purposes somewhat differently defined. Some of the early encampments had a precarious and short-lived existence, while others have preserved their organic life to the present time. Maryland Encampment, Baltimore, claims an organization going back to 1790, in which year it is assumed to have conferred the orders. South Carolina Encampment is supposed

to have been formed at Charleston in 1780, and there is considerable evidence in support of the proposition that a self-created body of Templars existed in Charleston and conferred the degrees prior to the close of the last (eighteenth) century. In New York City the "Old Encampment" (sometimes designated Morton's Encampment) was in existence several years before the close of the eighteenth century, St. Peter's Encampment was also flourishing in that city during the years 1798-99. Other Templar bodies were organized in the State of New York at about the period noted. Among them was Temple Encampment, No. 2, of Albany, supposed to have been instituted in 1796. In all these instances, however, the records are missing, and much obscurity attaches to the first proceedings, which were followed by lapses and intervals when no life was manifest."—Rugg.

In Pennsylvania Masonic Templary dates back traditionally to an early period. In the year 1794, the evidence shows, the grade of Knight Templar was conferred under sanction of the Grand Lodge of that State, and encampments were formed in Philadelphia, Carlisle and Harrisburg. A Grand Encampment claiming general powers, was organized in 1797, but did not long exist. A second Grand Encampment was organized February 16, 1814, and exercised authority for about ten years. A committee from this body met the delegates from Massachusetts and Rhode Island and from New York, in the preliminary meeting, held in 1816, for the purpose of organizing a General Grand Encampment. But Pennsylvania withdrew, mainly on account of a disagreement as to questions of ritual. This second Pennsylvania Grand Encampment becoming extinct, the Encampments in that jurisdiction for a time worked under Grand Lodge authority.

In 1852 a third Grand Encampment was formed and continued for five years. Then, by its own consent, and that of the Grand Lodge, a union was effected. And thus was brought about the organization of the present Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania.

At Colchester, Connecticut, an encampment was formed in

1796. A few years later it secured a charter from the Grand Encampment of England. In 1819 it cast in its allegiance to the Grand Encampment of the United States.

As before stated, as early as 1769 the Red Cross and Templar Grades were conferred within the jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, under Lodge or Chapter auspices. In 1795 there was an unconstituted body of Knights Templars at Newburyport, Mass., which held meetings and conferred degrees. Its ancient records are lost. For a time it languished, but it is now flourishing.

A council of Knights of the Red Cross was formed in Boston, March 12, 1802. Four years later it was absorbed by Boston Encampment, now one of the strongest Templar organizations in the world.

St. John's Encampment No. 1, Providence, R. I., was organized as a Templar body August 23, 1802, and has continued to grow and extend its influence. These two bodies, in 1805, by consent of the Newburyport Encampment formed a Grand Encampment, claiming extensive powers. At its second meeting, March 3, 1806, it assumed the name of "The United States Grand Encampment." These asserted powers it continued to exercise until 1816, when the words "United States" were dropped and its authority returned to the jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Foremost and most active of those who organized the Grand Encampment above stated, was Thomas Smith Webb, first Grand Master of the body—1805 to 1817. He was a most enthusiastic Mason and Knight Templar, an organizer of skill, and "his works survive him and constitute his enduring memorial." That he was not the founder of the Templar Order in this country, as some have claimed, is evidenced by the facts already set forth, and by the further fact that he received the Templar Orders himself in Philadelphia, about 1802. It is possible he may have made some changes. It can be truthfully said, however, that before Webb's time the orders of Templary in this country were sporadically conferred, little known and rarely practiced. And to him, more

than to any other person, to his enthusiasm and zealous work, is due the preservation, propagation and present strength of the American Templar System.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT ORGANIZED.

The General Grand Encampment of the United States was organized at New York June 21, 1816. Among the most prominent leaders in the movement were Thomas Smith Webb and Henry Fowle, members of the Grand Encampment formed at Providence in 1805.

The project of uniting all the encampments in a grand body, with central authority, was attended with much disagreement between the Pennsylvania and other bodies. Sir Knights Webb, Fowle and Snow had been appointed, by resolution of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, as delegates to "meet and confer with any or all other Grand Encampments upon the subject of a general union under one supreme head and general form of government; and invested with full power and authority to enter into such agreements as they may deem expedient to promote the interests of Knighthood."

By a resolution of the Grand Encampment of New York passed at a meeting held on June 9, 1816, Sir Knight Lowndes was appointed a delegate "to represent this body at a convention of Knights Templar, to be held in the city of Philadelphia, on Tuesday the 11th inst., with full powers to unite in such measures as may tend to promote the interests of the Order of Knights Templars." The Convention met at Philadelphia on the date last named and chose Thomas S. Webb, Chairman, and A. Hamilton, Secretary. A committee was appointed to prepare a constitution, which was reported and debated until the 13th. Being unable to agree upon an important point, the convention dissolved without day, and the delegates from New York and the Eastern States agreed to meet in the city of New York. In his report of June 25, 1817, Webb says: "They met in convention the delegates from the cities of Phil-

adelphia, Baltimore, Wilmington, and New York, at the Masonic Hall; after several days spent in deliberation, they found the mode of array and system of work differed in many points so essentially from what is customary in the Encampments hitherto in connection with this Grand Encampment, that they could not feel justified in making concessions, such as were required by the delegates from Pennsylvania particularly."

Among these objections Webb specified two: First, that "the Encampments in Pennsylvania avow themselves as being in subordination to, and under, the Grand Lodge of Master Masons." Second, "their unwillingness to the arrangement, or order of succession, in conferring the degrees as practiced by us, and especially they object to the degree of Mark Master and Most Excellent Master as unnecessary and not belonging to the system of Masonry. Finding it impossible to come to an agreement upon these points, a part of the delegates agreed to adjourn to the city of New York and the convention was dissolved."

Webb, Fowle and Snow then repaired to New York, where they were joined by Lowndes. On June 20, 1816, they formed a General Grand Encampment and adopted a constitution, which was ratified by the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and by the Grand Encampment of New York, and became the supreme law of American Templarism.

"From that date, June 21, 1816, forward, it has exercised authority according to its avowed functions. It now holds to its allegiance forty-two Grand Commanderies, and about one thousand subordinate commanderies. Upwards of one hundred and ten thousand Sir Knights are thus associated and pledged to its support."—Rugg.

FIRST GRAND ENCAMPMENT OFFICERS.

After the adoption of a constitution, the General Grand

Encampment chose the following named officers, to continue in office until the third Thursday in September, 1819:

DEWITT CLINTON General Grand Master.
 THOMAS SMITH WEBB Deputy General Grand Master.
 HENRY FOWLE General Grand Generalissimo.
 EZRA AMES General Grand Captain General.
 REV. PAUL DEAN General Grand Prelate.
 MARTIN HOFFMAN General Grand Senior Warden.
 JOHN CARLISLE General Grand Junior Warden.
 PETER GRINNELL General Grand Treasurer.
 JOHN J. LOVING General Grand Recorder.
 THOMAS LOWNDES General Grand Warder.
 JOHN SNOW General Grand Standard Bearer.
 JONA SCHIEFFELIN General Grand Sword Bearer.

The General Grand Encampment then adjourned to meet at New York on the third Thursday in September A. D., 1819.

"Attest, John J. Loving, G. G. Recorder."

(Reprint of Gr. Enc. 1816 to 1856.)

ORIGINAL CONSTITUTION AND REVISIONS.

The original draft of the constitution is in the handwriting of Webb, and is now in the archives of St. John's Commandery, Providence. This constitution was but little changed until the year 1856. At the Triennial Conclave held then at Hartford, Ct., considerable revision was made. Some wanted the government and ritual brought into closer accord with the system of "Ancient Knights Templars." But radical changes in this direction were not found practicable, and "the revision did little more than to elaborate and make more clear the distinguishing features of the organization. In the amended constitution, the word "General" was dropped from the title adopted in 1816, leaving the title "The Grand Encampment." State Grand Bodies became "Grand Commanderies," and local bodies were directed to substitute "Commandery" for "Encampment." Thus amended, the constitution has been but slightly changed since 1856.

During the Grand Mastership of DeWitt Clinton, he presided over none of the four conclaves held in that time, but

is mentioned as being present in 1826, when he was a second time re-elected.

FIRST TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE SOUTH.

The first Triennial Conclave of Knights Templars held south of the Ohio River was the twentieth, in 1853, at Lexington, Ky. At this meeting, it is claimed, were inaugurated "the social features which have developed into such prominence in connection with the conclave of recent years."

The Grand Encampment proceedings of that year for the first time make reference to a social event connected with the deliberations of the Sir Knights. In the minutes of the second day's session is to be found the record of an acceptance of an invitation from Webb Commandery of Lexington to the Grand Encampment Officers and members to a reception to be given the following evening. And it would be unfair to assume that the delegates to the recent triennial held in Louisville were less impressed by the social features of Kentucky hospitality than were their brethren at Lexington in 1853.

KENTUCKY TEMPLARY.

To Webb Encampment No. 1, Lexington, belongs the distinction of being the oldest organization of the kind in Kentucky, having been organized on January 1, 1820, only four years after the institution of the General Grand Encampment at New York. And for the leading spirit in the latter organization—Thomas Webb—the Lexington Encampment was named. A history of subsequent similar organizations formed within the State would exceed the limits of this article, which we close with a description of Webb Encampment from the pen of that accomplished and gifted writer and Sir Knight, Judge J. Soule Smith. In a series of highly interesting and valuable articles on Kentucky Masonry and Templary, he says:

"A somewhat tiresome and very dusty search through the old newspaper files of the Lexington Library last week was

luckily rewarded by finding what I sought. In the Western Monitor of Tuesday, January 4, 1820, is the following, which I give as printed:

MASONIC.

"By virtue of authority derived from the General Grand Encampment of the United States, an Encampment of Knights Templar and of appendant orders has been duly organized, and commenced its operations under the name and title of Webb Encampment, in the town of Lexington, Kentucky, and the following Knights have been regularly appointed to the offices annexed to their names respectively, viz.:

Sir David G. Cowan, Grand Commander.
Isaac Thorn, Generalissimo.
Thomas Nelson, Captain General.
Wm. Gibbs Hunt, Prelate.
Joseph C. Breckinridge, Senior Warden.
John Tilford, Junior Warden.
John C. Wenzel, Treasurer.
James Graves, Recorder.
John Fry, Sword Bearer.
A. Dumesnil, Standard Bearer.
John Grimes, Warden.
Francis Walker, Guard.

Lexington, January 1, 1820.

"Of the authenticity of this old document there can be no doubt; and despite the records of the General Grand Encampment, which show the organization of Webb to have taken place on January 1, 1826, the true date of its first charter was January 1, 1820. The 1826 date has been generally accepted up to this time, and I should never have questioned it but for the entry made by Dr. Robert J. Breckinridge in 1853, 'originally knighted in 1823 in this encampment.' The former articles on this subject in the Herald have excited wide-spread attention, and borne fruit much more copiously than I expected. Among other things brought to light is an

old pamphlet, printed at Lexington, Ky., by William Gibbs Hunt (named above as Prelate) in 1821. Its title page is as follows:

The
Charter and Bye Laws
of
Webb Encampment
of
Knights of the Red Cross,
Knights Templar,
Knights of Malta,
of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.
Established at Lexington, in the
State of Kentucky, by Warrant of
Dispensation, dated the 28th day
of December, 1819, and Confirmed
by Charter the 1st day of January,
A. D., 1820, A. L. 5280.
Lexington, Ky.
Printed by William Gibbs Hunt.
1821.

"Just above the imprint is a seven-pointed star, with rays of light running out from the center through each point of the star. Inside the bases of the points—or pyramids—is drawn a double circle, between the lines of which is inscribed the motto of the order, 'In Hoc Signo Vincas.' In the center field is a Passion Cross, firmly implanted on a solid base and entwined around the cross is a serpent.

"The second page of this pamphlet is blank. On the third page is the 'Dispensation,' dated as before said December 28, 1819. On the fourth and fifth pages is the 'Charter,' bearing date January 1, 1820. Both these papers are signed by John Snow, General Grand Generalissimo of the General Grand Encampment of the United States. The sixth and seventh pages embrace the by-laws, and the eighth page contains a list of members of Webb Encampment at that time.

"I have also been able to find a Roster of the Officers and Members of Webb Encampment of Knights Templars and Knights of Malta, at Lexington, Ky., October 1, A. L., 5822,

A. R. 2352, A. D., 1822, Y. D., 704.' In this list is the name of 'Robert Jefferson Breckinridge, Lexington, Ky., J. W.' I had never known before what the middle name of Dr. Breckinridge was. This roster, though dated in 1822, contains the names of new members added after the organization in 1820, and I may refer to it critically hereafter. Possibly the 1822 roster may contain all the names not on the one of 1847. I have both now in my possession, and may be able to compile from them a complete list of members up to this date, as I have access also to the minute books from 1854 to the present time.

"These old documents prove Webb Commandery—as it is now styled—the oldest organization of Knights Templars in the West. Thomas Smith Webb—for whom Webb Encampment was named—did issue a dispensation to form an encampment at Worthington, O., in 1818, but died before the meeting of the General Grand Encampment in 1819. The fact, however, was reported, and his action being approved, a charter was directed to issue. This encampment seems never to have amounted to anything and was not in existence when 'Cincinnati No. 1' was organized in 1841.

"The bodies constituting the first General Grand Encampment at Boston, June 20, 1816, were:

Boston Encampment, of Boston, Mass.
St. John's Encampment, of Providence, R. I.
Ancient Encampment, of New York, N. Y.
Montgomery Encampment, of Stillwater, N. Y.
St. Paul Encampment, of Newburyport, Mass.
Temple Encampment, of Albany, N. Y.
Newport Encampment, of Newport, R. I.
Davies Council, R. C., of Portland, Maine.

"DeWitt Clinton was General Grand Master and Thomas Smith Webb Deputy Grand Master. The next meeting was held in New York City on September 16, 1819, at which time it was decided to meet septennially. So the third conclave was not held until September 19, 1826. At this latter conclave DeWitt Clinton, Grand Master, reported that the Grand

Generalissimo, John Snow, who was not present, had granted the charter to Webb Encampment on January 1, 1826. This was either a mistake of the printer, or a mistake of the Grand Master in reading the memoranda of John Snow—the figures '6' and '0' being much alike in manuscript.

"Attendant circumstances all confirm the date of 1820. In 1816 Snow was resident in Rhode Island, but in 1819 he hails from Ohio. Thomas Smith Webb died in Ohio July, 1819. He and Snow seem to have been, at this time, evangelists of Masonry in the West, just as John Barker and Jeremy Cross were about the same time—Cross and Baker looking after Chapters and Councils—Snow and Webb organizing Encampments. In September, 1819, the Grand Lodge of Kentucky held memorial services in honor of Thomas Smith Webb in Lexington, at which time there was a grand procession and an oration by Caleb W. Cloud. The minds of Kentucky Masons would naturally turn toward this distinguished man—for he was possessed of rare learning for that time, and his death so far from home was a peculiarly sad one. It was just at such a time, when the sorrow for his loss was keenest, that his name should be chosen for a new Encampment of Templars; and it was to be expected that John Snow, his friend and fellow worker, should give his name to the first body of Templars organized by him. So it became Webb Encampment.

"This was just at the beginning of the anti-Masonic crusade, which culminated in the Morgan movement a few years later. Henry Clay was Grand Master the next year (1820) and six years later bowed before the storm and demitted from the order, only to be beaten for President by Andrew Jackson, who kept the faith and defied the enemies of Masonry. In 1819-20 the tempest was gathering, and the brethren were actively preparing for its fury. Nowhere could the principles of Freemasonry be better guarded than in the asylum

of an encampment; in no way could its zealous defenders be better organized than in the firm ranks of Christian Knighthood; and the cross with the serpent twined about it on the title page, showed that power as well as wisdom was to be most expected from the valiant members of Webb Encampment No. 1."

As has been truly said by a distinguished writer and member of the Order. "The Order of Knights Templar is essentially a Christian institution. . . . It enjoins practical obedience to the precepts of Him who is 'The Way, the Truth and the Life.' It represents more than morality; it stands for religion itself; the religion established upon the foundations of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone." The Templar organization plants itself squarely upon the affirmations of Christianity and binds its followers in the most solemn manner to accept and support the essential teachings of the Gospel. Its symbols, banners, legends, and tokens are all significant of the position which it holds as an institution permeated by faith in a crucified and risen Lord."

Whether the noble Order of Knights Templars has descended to us through an unbroken historic line, from Hugh de Payens, its first Grand Master chosen after the capture of Jerusalem, down to the present time, as asserted by some and denied by others—it matters little so far as its beneficent features and work are concerned. If not historically identical with the "Ancient Order," its principles and purposes are the same, and they have continued unchanged through all the trials and tribulations imposed upon it by its enemies. It has been at all times, and in all ages, the defender and supporter of the weak and needy. And so mote it be until the last trumpet call of the Grand Master above marshals from the dust of Palestine and elsewhere the panoplied hosts of Christian Knights who have laid down their lives in defense of the Cross and of Humanity.

The Order of the Temple in Alabama.

Written by
Robert S. Teague,
Em. Commander
Montgomery Comman-
dery No. 4,
Montgomery, Ala.

IT was on November 29, 1860, that representatives from Mobile, Montgomery, Tuscumbia and Selma Commanderies assembled in the Asylum of Montgomery Commandery No. 4 for the purpose of organizing a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar for the State of Alabama. There were at that date five Commanderies in the State, viz.: Washington No. 1, at Marion; Mobile No. 2, Tuscumbia No. 3, Montgomery No. 4, and Selma No. 5. On September 4, 1860, Benjamin Brown French, Grand Master of Templars, issued his warrant authorizing the formation of a Grand Commandery in Alabama.

The First Annual Conclave was held on Saturday, the first day of December, 1860, with representatives from four subordinates. Richard F. Knott, of Mobile Commandery, presided as Grand Commander.

The number of knights in the jurisdiction (excluding Washington Commandery No. 1, which made no report) was the mystic number 144, distributed as follows: Mobile, 54; Tuscumbia, 35; Montgomery, 42, and Selma, 13.

In 1875 the number of Commanderies had grown to 11, and the membership had increased to 235.

The first report on foreign correspondence was made by that distinguished knight and jurist, Abram J. Walker. He says he had examined the proceedings of five Grand Commanderies, and his report fills two pages of the proceedings. He attributed the "slow numerical growth" of our Order to "a commendable determination to guard well the outer door and admit none who are not fit to be associated in our great work of love and charity," etc. On December 9, 1861, the General Assembly passed an act incorporating the "Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of the

State of Alabama." By this act the corporation was authorized to "make, ordain and establish its Constitution, statutes and regulations not inconsistent with the Constitution or laws of the State of Alabama or the Confederate States." On January 14, 1866, the statute was re-enacted and the words "United States" were substituted for "Confederate States." The subordinate Commanderies were also incorporated and empowered to receive by gift, grant, contract, devise or donation any personal or real estate not in excess of the maximum assets the subordinates were permitted to acquire, viz., \$25,000. When the day arrived for holding the Third Annual Conclave (November 29, 1862), there was "no quorum present" and the Grand Commandery adjourned until December 6, 1863. This was due to the fact that the "war between the States" was then in progress.

Richard F. Knott was the first Grand Commander and held the office until December 11, 1868.

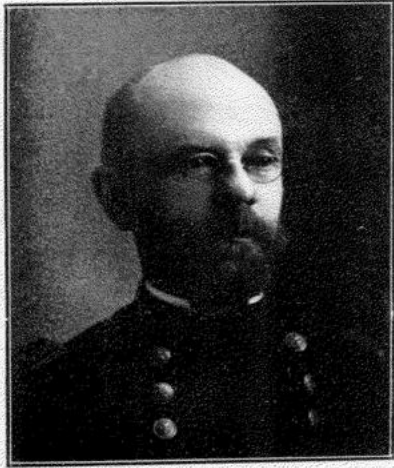
Alabama Commandery No. 6 was established under dispensation in September, 1865; Huntsville Commandery No. 7 was established during the same month and year. Richard Coeur de Lion No. 8 was chartered December 11, 1868, with a membership of twenty-six, and lived about five years.

Eufaula Commandery No. 9 was established under dispensation February 22d, and was organized July 12, 1866.

Cyrene Commandery No. 10 was established under dispensation March 18, 1874, and on the 7th and 8th of April, 1874, it was organized by a detachment of the officers and members of Montgomery Commandery.

Tuskegee Commandery No. 11 was established under dispensation on April 16, 1874, and was organized on April 21, 1875. It did not long survive.

Troy Commandery No. 12 was organized at Troy, Ala., on June 24, 1881.



V. EM. SIR GEORGE F. WHEELOCK.
Deputy Grand Commander; Past Eminent Commander Cyrene Com-
mandery, No. 10—Birmingham.



EM. SIR ROBERT S. TEAGUE.
Eminent Commander Montgomery Commandery, No. 4; Grand Master
of the Grand Council R. & S. M.—Montgomery.

ALABAMA—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Tuscaloosa Commandery No. 13 was organized at Tuscaloosa, Ala., on March 17, 1883.

DeMolay Commandery No. 14 was organized at New Decatur, Ala., on March 28, 1890.

Etowah Commandery No. 15 was organized at Gadsden, Ala., on May 10, 1890.

Tuscumbia Commandery No. 16 was organized at Tuscumbia, Ala., on April 1, 1891.

Talladega Commandery was organized at Talladega, Ala., on May 28, 1900.

Brewton Commandery was organized at Brewton, Ala., on March 1, 1901.

There are at present nine Commanderies with a membership of 463 in this jurisdiction, and the prospects are good for a large increase the next few years.

A glance at the roll of membership of Montgomery Commandery, which appears in the proceedings for 1860, shows a large number of names of men who afterwards became prominent in public affairs. Among the members of this Commandery at this date were: A. J. Walker, who was afterwards Grand Commander, and who also became chief justice of our highest court—the Supreme Court of Alabama; William P. Chilton, who also attained the high position of chief justice of that court; Thomas J. Judge, who became an associate justice of the Supreme Court; S. K. McSpadden, who became one of the chancellors; Lewis E. Parsons, who became governor of the State, and John T. Morgan, who is at present the senior senator from Alabama in the Senate of the United States.

It seems that during this early date in the history of Templarism in our State men of "brains and ability" joined the Order and lauded its purposes and objects. It is not a little remarkable that six such men as we have mentioned were borne on the roll of one Commandery at the same time, and that, too, when the entire membership was only forty-two.

During the period of fifteen years there were among the Grand Commanders Walter L. Bragg, who for a time was Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and who was during the latter years of his life president of the board of railroad commissioners of the United States, and also one of the interstate commerce commissioners of the United States, and Jos. H. Johnson, who was president of the State Institute for the Blind, Deaf, and Dumb, and noted as an educator in his department, and who was also prominent in Masonic circles. He was also Grand Commander during this period.

George Fleming Moore, thirty-third degree A. & A. S. R. for the Southern jurisdiction of the United States, and Inspector-General for Alabama and Porto Rico, has filled the position of committee for the past fourteen years. He is Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Alabama, and has served as Grand Master of the Grand Council, Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery, and in 1896 President Cleveland appointed him United States Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama.

The first officers of the Grand Commandery were as follows:

Sir Richard F. Knott, of Mobile, Grand Commander.
Sir Sterling A. M. Wood, of Florence, Deputy Grand Commander.
Sir James B. Harrison, of Selma, Grand Generalissimo.
Sir Peleg Brown, of Mobile, Grand Capt. General.
Sir Henry Talbird, of Marion, Grand Prelate.
Sir Porter King, of Marion, Grand Senior Warden.
Sir Lewis B. Thornton, of Tuscumbia, Grand Junior Warden.
Sir Hugh P. Watson, of Montgomery, Grand Treasurer.
Sir Edmund M. Hastings, of Montgomery, Grand Recorder.
Sir John H. Pipplin, of Mobile, Grand Standard Bearer.
Sir William S. Knox, of Selma, Grand Sword Bearer.
Sir Joseph M. Williams, of Montgomery, Grand Warder.
Sir Joseph McGaw, of Mobile, Grand Sentinel.

The present (1901) Grand Officers are:

Sir Robert Moulthrop, of Eufaula, Grand Commander.
 Sir George F. Wheelock, of Birmingham, Deputy Grand Commander.
 Sir Lewis W. Hubbard, of Selma, Grand General.
 Sir Charles R. Westcott, of Montgomery, Grand Captain General.
 Sir and Rev. Fenwick L. Leavitt, of Brewton, Grand Prelate.
 Sir Charles E. Pearce, of Mobile, Grand Senior Warden.
 Sir Lawrence H. Fiske, of Montgomery, Grand Junior Warden.
 Sir Elbert S. Starr, of Selma, Grand Treasurer.
 Sir George A. Beauchamp, of Montgomery, Grand Recorder.

Sir Thomas H. Mattocks, of New Decatur, Grand Standard Bearer.
 Sir Walter Smith, of Tuscaloosa, Grand Sword Bearer.
 Sir W. L. Miller, of Talladega, Grand Warder.
 Sir Homer V. Batcheller, of Mobile, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

J. D. Wilkins, Mobile. Robert L. Douglass, Mobile.
 H. C. Davidson, Montgomery. H. H. Matthews, Montgomery.
 W. A. Alexander, Mobile. Philip Milhouse, Selma.
 Charles Wheelock, Birmingham. W. E. Oakley, Nashville, Tenn.
 Fletcher J. Cowart, Troy. R. M. Cunningham, Ensley.

Alabama Commanderies, Commanders and Recorders, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
46	2	MOBILE	Mobile	Chas. E. Pearce	Percy B. Dixon
57	4	MONTGOMERY	Montgomery	Robt. S. Teague	H. H. Matthews
31	5	SELMA	Selma	Frank M. Stillwell	Elbert S. Starr
158	10	CYRENE	Birmingham	C. E. Meglemry	C. J. Geohagan
69	13	TUSCALOOSA	Tuscaloosa	Walter Smith	C. A. Strickland
39	14	DEMOLAY	New Decatur	F. M. Shilcer	H. B. Crocker
16	16	TUSCUMBIA	Tuscumbia	Edw. Gilfillan	Wm. Cooper
17	17	TALLADEGA	Talladega	W. L. Miller	W. M. Franks
30	18	BREWTON	Brewton	F. L. Leavitt	Jas. A. Fuller
463					

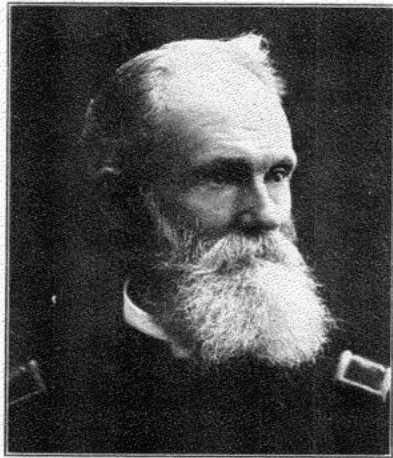


**ARIZONA—THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, MEETING IN THE BEAUTIFUL CAVE KNOWN AS THE
"COPPER QUEEN"—NOVEMBER 10, 1897.**

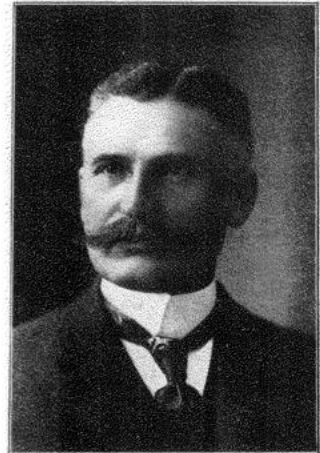
Names of Sir Knights Templar, commencing at the first Knight on the left. Standing: Frederic G. Brecht, Charles D. Belden, George H. N. Luhrs, Ephraim J. Beunitt, Prosper F. Parker, Hickmer N. Fredericks, John M. Ormsby, George J. Roskrige, Cassius M. Fraser, Charles H. Knapp, John J. Sweeney, Anthony A. Johns, Ben Williams, Nathan O. Murphy. Sitting, commencing on the left: George L. Bugbee, Franklin I. Cox, Hale W. McCormick, Gerhard H. Schuefman, George M. Williams, Artach Wentworth, F. C. Devendorf, Kirt L. Hart, Arthur W. Gregory, Williamson D. Anderson, Myron H. McCord, Columbus F. Davant, Nathan A. Morford, Daniel Nicholson, Fletcher M. Dean, John J. Fraser, George H. Vickers, Rufus N. Leatherwood.



R. EM. SIR FREDERIC GUSTAV BRECHT.
Grand Commander (1900-01); Past Eminent Com-
mander Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 2—
Prescott.



R. EM. SIR GEORGE J. ROSKRUGE.
First Grand Commander (1893-94); Past Eminent
Commander, Arizona Commandery, No.
1; Grand Recorder—Tucson.



R. EM. SIR EPHRAIM JAMES BENNITT.
Grand Commander (1895-96); Past Eminent Com-
mander Phoenix Commandery,
No. 3—Phoenix.

ARIZONA—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in Arizona.

Written by
George James Roskruge,
Past Grand Commander
and
Grand Recorder of the Grand
Commandery of Arizona.

ON the 2d of February, 1883, there assembled at the Masonic Hall, in the city of Tucson, the following named Sir Knights:

Ansell Mellen Bragg, of "Coeur De Lion" Commandery No. 9, Los Angeles, California.

Merrill Pingree Freeman, "DeWitt Clinton" Commandery No. 1, Virginia City, Nevada.

Charles Joseph Hendley, "St. Croix" Commandery No. 14, Hudson, Wisconsin.

Calvin Savage Cooper, "Stockton" Commandery No. 8, Stockton, California.

Louis Enricht, "California" Commandery No. 1, San Francisco, California.

Columbus Cecil Stephens, "San Jose" Commandery No. 10, San Jose, California.

Ezekiel H. Cook, "Mt. Vernon" Commandery No. 1, Columbus, Ohio.

Edward John Smith, "Sacramento" Commandery No. 2, Sacramento, California.

Harry Budd Lighthizer, "St. Aldemar" Commandery No. 18, St. Louis, Missouri.

George Wiley Brown, "Chippewa" Commandery No. 8, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

H. M. De Hart, "Columbia" Commandery No. 2, Washington, D. C.

H. J. Hughes, "Stockton" Commandery No. 8, Stockton, California.

The meeting was organized by the election of Sir, the Rev. Charles J. Hendley as chairman, and Sir George Wiley Brown as secretary. A petition, in due form, was ordered to be forwarded to the M. E. Benjamin Dean, Grand Master, praying for a dispensation, empowering the above, and eleven other Sir Knights, to open and form "Arizona" Commandery No. 1. The petition was granted and "Arizona" Commandery No. 1 held its first regular Conclave on March 16, 1883, with Ansell

Mellen Bragg, Eminent Commander; Merrill Pingree Freeman, Generalissimo; and George Wiley Brown, Captain General.

On the 3d August, 1883, "Arizona" Commandery No. 1 was duly chartered by the Grand Encampment, at its Twenty-second Triennial Conclave, held in the city of San Francisco, California.

On February 17, 1890, a dispensation was issued by M. E. John P. S. Gobin, Grand Master, to Alexander Gibson Oliver, Eminent Commander; Cassius Burton Foster, Generalissimo; David Ward Pritchett, Captain General, and eleven other Sir Knights, to open and form a Commandery by the name of "Ivanhoe" Commandery No. 2, at Prescott, in the county of Yavapai.

On May 1, 1891, a dispensation was issued by M. E. Sir John P. S. Gobin, Grand Master, to Harry Budd Lighthizer, Eminent Commander; Ephraim James Bennett, Generalissimo; Prosper Powell Parker, Captain General, and sixteen other Sir Knights, to open a Commandery by the name of "Phoenix" Commandery No. 3 at Phoenix, county of Maricopa.

On the 11th August, 1892, "Ivanhoe" No. 2 and "Phoenix" No. 3 were duly chartered by the Grand Encampment at its Twenty-fifth Triennial Conclave, held in the city of Denver, Colorado.

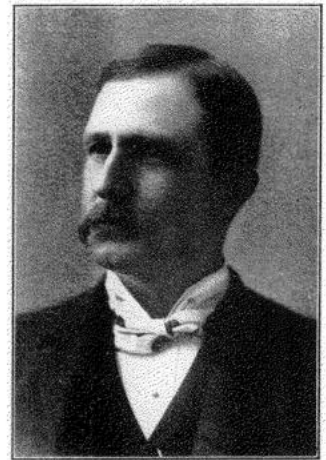
In accordance with the wishes of the members of the Order, in the Territory, a petition was signed by the three principal officers of the several commanderies and forwarded to M. E., Hugh McCurdy, Grand Master of Knights Templar, praying for a warrant or dispensation authorizing and empowering them, or their successors in office, to organize a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar for the Territory of Arizona, at such time and place in said Territory as might be convenient, and, in compliance with the foregoing prayer on the 21st Oc-



R. EM. SIR PROSPER POWELL PARKER.
Grand Commander (1896-99); Past Eminent Com-
mander Phoenix Commandery,
No. 3—Phoenix.



EM. SIR THOMAS ARMSTRONG, JR.
Captain General; Past Eminent Commander
Phoenix Commandery, No. 3—Phoenix.



EM. SIR JOHN J. HAWKINS,
Grand Junior Warden; Eminent Commander
Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 2—Prescott.

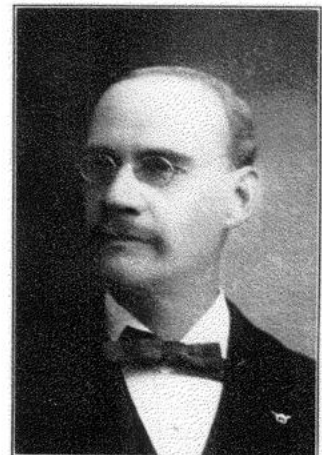
ARIZONA—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.



EM. SIR REV. LEWIS HALSEY, D. D.
Grand Prelate; Prelate Phoenix Commandery,
No. 2-Phoenix.



EM. SIR GEORGE H. N. LUHRS.
Grand Treasurer; member Phoenix Commandery,
No. 3-Phoenix.



EM. SIR GEORGE W. VICKERS.
Grand Sword Bearer; Captain General Ivanhoe
Commandery, No. 2-Phoenix.

ARIZONA-OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

tober, 1893, the M. E., Grand Master, issued his warrant, appointing Sir George James Roskruge, Past Eminent Commander of "Arizona" Commandery No. 1 as his proxy to summons or otherwise meet at such time and place in said Territory as might be convenient, such Knights Templar as were entitled to be present, and then and there to fully organize a Grand Commandery for the Territory of Arizona.

In accordance with the above, the following Sir Knights, representatives of the three Commanderies in the Territory, viz.,

Arizona No. 1.—George James Roskruge, P. E. C.; John McQuaid Crmsby, P. E. C.; John George Hilzinger, Generalissimo.

Ivanhoe No. 2.—Rickmer Nickels Fredericks, Eminent Commander; Daniel Francis Mitchell, Generalissimo; Alexander Gibson Oliver, P. E. C.

Phoenix No. 3.—Harry Budd Lighthizer, Eminent Commander; Ephraim James Bennitt, Generalissimo; Prosper Powell Parker, Captain General.

assembled at the Asylum of "Phoenix" Commandery No. 3 at the city of Phoenix on the 14th November, 1893, and organized "The Grand Commandery of Arizona," the following Sir Knights being elected and appointed its officers:

Sir George James Roskruge, R. E. Grand Commander.
 Sir Alexander Gibson Oliver, V. E. Deputy Grand Commander.
 Sir Harry Budd Lighthizer, E. Grand Generalissimo.
 Sir John McQuaid Ormsby, E. Grand Captain General.
 Sir Edward Willcocks Meany, Rev. and E. Grand Prelate.
 Sir Rickmer Nickels Fredericks, E. Grand Senior Warden.

Sir Ephraim James Bennitt, E. Grand Junior Warden.
 Sir George Henry Nicholas Luhrs, E. Grand Treasurer.
 Sir Douglass Snyder, E. Grand Recorder.
 Sir Daniel Francis Mitchell, E. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Sir John George Hilzinger, E. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Sir Prosper Powell Parker, E. Grand Warden.
 Sir Samuel Elias Bright, Grand Organist.
 Sir John Henry Baldwin, Grand Captain of Guards.

At the formation of the Grand Commandery the three Subordinate Commanderies had a total membership of 100; present membership, 210; in treasury, \$1,000.

The present (1901) Grand Officers are:

R. E. Sir Fred. Gustav Brecht, Prescott, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Charles Dwight Belden, Phoenix, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Anthony Arthur Johns, Prescott, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Thomas Armstrong, Jr., Phoenix, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Owen Thomas Rouse, Tucson, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir John J. Hawkins, Prescott, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. and Rev. Sir Lewis Halsey, Phoenix, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir George Henry N. Luhrs, Phoenix, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir George James Roskruge, Tucson, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir John Joseph Sweeney, Phoenix, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir George W. Vickers, Prescott, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir George Edward Kohler, Tucson, Grand Warden.
 E. Sir Joseph Engle, Phoenix, Grand Captain of Guards.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

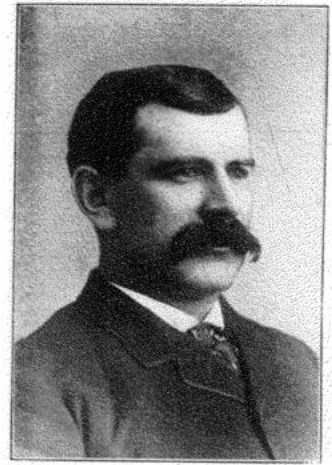
George J. Roskruge, Tucson. Rickmer N. Fredericks, Prescott.
 Ephraim J. Bennitt, Phoenix. Prosper P. Parker, Phoenix.
 John M. Ormsby, Tucson. George Shand, Tucson.

Arizona Commanderies, Commanders and Recorders, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
104	1	ARIZONA	Tucson	Roscoe Dale	George J. Roskruge
38	2	IVANHOE	Prescott	Edmund W. Wells	Rickmer N. Fredericks
68	3	PHOENIX	Phoenix	John E. Walker	Francis A. Shaw
210					



EM. SIR JOHN J. SWEENEY.
Grand Junior Warden; Past Eminent Commander
Phoenix Commandery, No. 3-Phoenix.

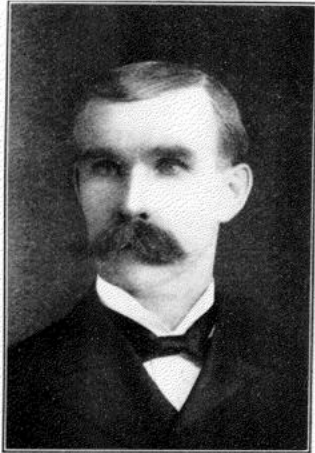


EM. SIR JOHN ELLIOTT WALKER.
Eminent Commander Phoenix Commandery, No.
2-Phoenix.

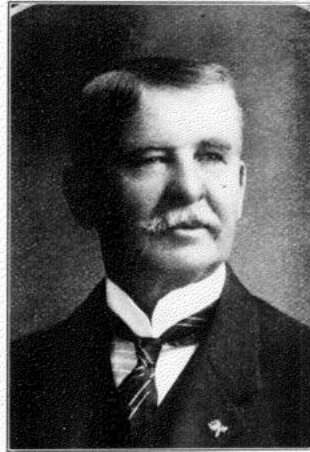


EM. SIR GEORGE EDWARD KOHLER.
Grand Warden; Captain General Arizona Com
mandery, No. 1-Tucson.

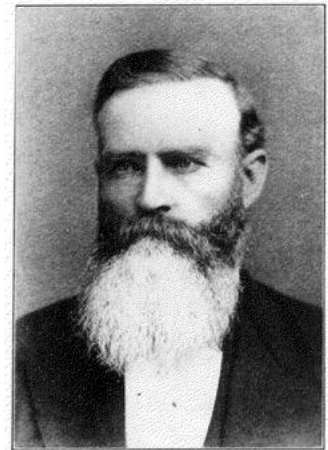
ARIZONA-OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.



SIR DANIEL NICHOLSON.
 Captain General Phoenix, No. 3, K. T.; Past
 Master Arizona Lodge, No. 2 F. & A. M.,
 P. H. P., Arizona Chapter, No. 1,
 R. A. M.—Phoenix.



SIR ISAAC V. OWEN.
 Phoenix Commandery, No. 3 K. T.—Phoenix.



SIR FRANCIS ASBURY SHAW.
 Recorder Phoenix Commandery, No. 3, K. T.;
 Past Grand Master Grand Lodge of Arizo-
 na F. & A. M., 1888; P. G. H. P. Grand
 Chapter of Arizona, R. A. M.,
 1896—Phoenix.



SIR EDWARD EISELE.
 Warder Phoenix Commandery, No. 3 K. T.—Phoenix.

ARIZONA—PHOENIX COMMANDERY NO. 3, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

The Order of the Temple in Arkansas.

Written by
Sir Knight
Fay Dempstead,
 Grand Recorder
 of the
 Grand Commandery
 of Arkansas.

THE material for this brief sketch of the Order of the Temple in Arkansas is obtained from a History of Templar Masonry prepared by a committee of which Sir E. R. Duval, Past Grand Commander, was chairman, published in the year 1873. The data set forth therein were as follows:

Templar Masonry was first introduced into Arkansas in its organized form by a dispensation to Hugh de Payens Commandery, dated December 20, 1853, issued by W. B. Hubbard, Grand Master Grand Encampment of the United States, to Sirs Albert Pike, Percy C. Brockus, John McDaniel, H. H. Heath, H. F. Loudon, B. B. French, A. W. Webb, W. S. Brown, John W. Sketo, and Samuel Mitchell.

Albert Pike was made E. C.; A. W. Webb, Generalissimo, and J. W. Sketo, C. Gen.

Charter was granted to the Commandery as Hugh de Payens No. 1 in October, 1856.

How slowly this branch of Masonry spread may be inferred from the fact that ten years passed ere a second Commandery was organized. Hugh de Payens during this long period exercised its jurisdiction over the entire State.

The next Commandery organized was Bertrand du Guesclin No. 2, at Camden; date of dispensation, April 13, 1866; date of charter, September 18, 1868.

The next to enter the field was Jacques de Molay No. 3, at Fort Smith, date of dispensation, December 30, 1868; date of charter, September 22, 1871.

The next was Baldwin No. 4, Fayetteville; date of dispensation, April 28, 1871; date of charter, September 22, 1871.

On the 23d of March, 1872, a convention of the Command-

eries was held in the city of Fort Smith, for the purpose of organizing a Grand Commandery, of which the following is the record:

ASYLUM JACQUES DEMOLAY COMMANDERY, No. 3, K. T.,
 FORT SMITH, ARK., March 23, A. D., 1872, A. O., 754. }

The following Commanderies by their representatives, to-wit:

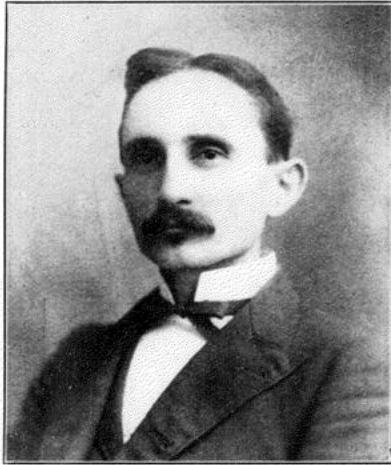
Hugh de Payens No. 1.—Sir R. L. Dodge, E. C.; Sir S. W. Williams, proxy for Generalissimo; sir R. S. Crampton, proxy for C. Gen.; Sir L. E. Barber, P. E. C., and Sir E. H. English, P. E. C., representatives.

Bertrand du Guesclin No. 2.—Sir R. E. Salle, proxy for E. C., Gen. and C. Gen.

Jacques DeMolay No. 3.—Sir Edw. J. Brooks, E. C.; Sir R. M. Johnson, Gen.; Sir E. R. DuVal, C. Gen.

Met in convention for the purpose of organizing a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and appendant orders of the State of Arkansas; whereupon the convention was called to order by Sir S. W. Williams, and, on motion, Sir L. E. Barber was elected President, and Sir Edw. J. Brooks, Recorder. A constitution was framed, and the convention then proceeded to the election of Grand Officers, resulting as follows:

Sir Luke E. Barber, Little Rock, R. E. Grand Commander.
 Sir Edward J. Brooks, Fort Smith, V. E. Deputy Grand Commander.
 Sir Raphael M. Johnson, Fort Smith, E. Generalissimo.
 Sir Samuel W. Williams, Little Rock, E. Captain General.
 Sir William A. Sample, Fort Smith, E. Prelate.
 Sir Walter O. Lattimore, Fayetteville, E. Senior Warden.
 Sir Caleb H. Stone, Camden, Junior Warden.
 Sir Roderick L. Dodge, Little Rock, E. Treasurer.
 Sir J. W. Rison, Little Rock, E. Recorder.
 Sir R. S. Crampton, Spadra, E. Standard Bearer.
 Sir J. C. Looney, Fayetteville, E. Sword Bearer.
 Sir Robert E. Salle, Camden, E. Warden.
 Sir James Tunnah, Little Rock, E. Capt'n of the Guard.



R. EM. SIR EDGAR A. McCULLOCH.
Grand Commander; Past Eminent Commander Apollo, No. 11,
K. T.—Marlanna.



EM. SIR FAY HEMPSTEAD.
Grand Recorder; Past Eminent Commander Hugh de Payens, No. 1,
K. T.—Little Rock.

ARKANSAS—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

MONDAY, March 25, 1872.

Installation of officers took place, Sir E. H. English officiating as installing officer, as proxy of the M. E. Grand Master of the United States; after which the convention adjourned *sine die*.

L. E. BARBER, *President*.

Edw. J. Brooks, *Recorder*.

The Grand Commandery thus organized was opened immediately after the adjournment of the convention, and remained in session until the close of the day (March 25, 1872), when it was closed in ample form.

The next Grand Conclave was held in the city of Little Rock, December 31, 1872, at which Sir Knight Barber was again elected Grand Commander and sessions of the Grand Body have been annually held since that time, at various cities of Arkansas such as Pine Bluff, Hot Springs, Fayetteville, and at Fort Smith, in 1892, in commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the formation of the Grand Commandery.

Since the dates given other Commanderies have been formed and are now in existence as follows:

Hot Springs No. 5, Hot Springs; chartered June 4, 1883; Coeur de Lion No. 6, Texarkana; June 4, 1883; Palestine, No. 7, Russellville, May 14, 1884; Damascus No. 8, Pine Bluff, May 26, 1885; Cyrene No. 9, Eureka Springs, May 26, 1885; St. Aldemar No. 10, Harrison, April 25, 1888; Apollo No. 11, char-

tered at Forrest City, but since removed to Marianna, April 24, 1888; St. Elmo No. 13, Batesville, April 23, 1890.

The twelve Commanderies in the jurisdiction comprise a membership of 520, and are in prosperous and active condition.

The present (1901) Grand Officers are:

Sir E. A. McCulloch, Grand Commander, Marianna.
Sir Frank Hill, Deputy Grand Commander, Little Rock.
Sir Gaylord J. Klock, Grand Generalissimo, Eureka Springs.
Sir Francis H. Head, Grand Captain General, Pine Bluff.
Sir Samuel P. Collings, Grand Senior Warden, Hot Springs.
Sir Thomas H. Jones, Grand Junior Warden, Little Rock.
Sir and Rev. J. L. Caldwell, Grand Prelate, Pine Bluff.
Sir John Brodie, Grand Treasurer, Little Rock.
Sir Fay Hempstead, Grand Recorder, Little Rock.
Sir Nick Kizer, Grand Standard Bearer, Eureka Springs.
Sir James Chapple, Grand Sword Bearer, Little Rock.
Sir Peter Brickey, Grand Warder, Marianna.
Sir Edmund Metcalf, Grand Captain of the Guard, Little Rock.

Little Rock, Ark., July 15, 1901.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

W. H. H. Clayton, South McAlester, I. T.	Charles E. Rosenbaum, Little Rock.
Alfred A. Tufts, Camden.	William M. Mellette, Fort Smith.
Benjamin F. Atkinson, Fort Smith.	George P. Taylor, Forrest City.
William K. Ramsey, Camden.	George Thornburgh, Little Rock.
Charles N. Ricks, Hot Springs.	George G. Latta, Hot Springs.
David I. Mills, Pine Bluff.	Jesse M. Dill, Little Rock.



EM. SIR SAMUEL P. COLLINGS, M. D.
Grand Senior Warden; Past Eminent Command-
er Hot Springs Commandery, No. 5—
Hot Springs.



EM. SIR EDGAR A. McCULLOCH.
Past Commander Apollo Commandery, No. 11;
Grand Commander—Marianna.

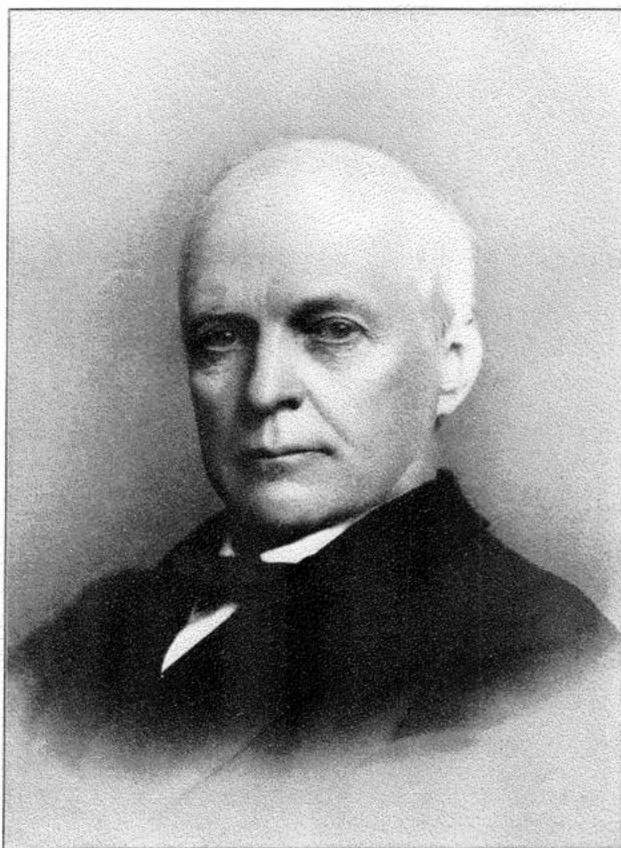


SIR CHARLES A. WOLF, 32.
Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 1, of Little
Rock, Ark.—Las Vegas, New Mexico.

ARKANSAS--COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Arkansas Commanderies, Commanders and Recorders, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
102	1	HUGH DE PAYENS	Little Rock	James Chapple	G. W. Skidmore
	2	BERTRAND DU GUESCLIN ...	Camden	James W. Brown	Alfred A. Tufts
76	3	JACQUES DEMOLAY	Fort Smith	Allan Kennedy	George H. Lyman
31	4	BALDWIN	Fayetteville	E. B. Wall	J. W. Ferguson
41	5	HOT SPRINGS	Hot Springs	F. W. Gregory	W. H. V. Broaddus
42	6	COEUR DE LION	Texarkana	W. J. Buhrman	J. C. Edwards
	7	PALESTINE	Russellville	Lewis C. Hall	Reese B. Hogins
74	8	DAMASCUS	Pine Bluff	Francis H. Head	John T. Marsh
22	9	CYRENE	Eureka Springs	C. F. Ellis	R. M. Warner
33	10	ST. ALDEMAR	Harrison	L. F. Eoff	R. L. Evans
67	11	APOLLO	Marianna	Peter Brickey	John M. Daggett
32	13	ST. ELMO	Batesville	James C. McGuire	John C. Bone
520					



M. E. SIR REUBEN HEDLEY LLOYD.
Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of California, 1887; Grand
Master Grand Encampment, U. S. A., 1888-1901; Past Com-
mander California Commandery, No. 1—San Francisco.

CALIFORNIA.

Order of the Temple in California.

By
William A. Davies,
Past
Grand Commander
and
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery of
California.

THE Chivalric Orders were planted in California and successfully organized by Sir Isaac Davis in 1852, and the ritual taught by him at that time has, with but little change, been followed, and is, to-day the ritual taught by that and every other Commandery in the jurisdiction; he was, in fact, the founder of Chivalric Masonry on the Pacific Coast.

Isaac Davis was a good man, a true Mason and a Christian knight. All who knew him loved him for his guileless, blameless life, his native dignity of character and the manifest integrity of his every act and thought. Those who have since profited by his teachings honor his memory and prize the record of his useful life deposited in the archives of our Grand Commandery.

The bodies organized and instructed by him and under his teaching were San Francisco, Sacramento and Pacific Encampments 1, 2, and 3, the first two stationed at the cities named and third at Columbia, Tuolumne county.

These encampments organized the Grand Commandery of California. They retained the name of encampments until the Grand Encampment in 1856 changed the name of its constituent bodies to Commanderies when in obedience to constituted authority they assumed the name of Commanderies.

San Francisco Encampment was organized under dispensation from the General Grand Encampment on the 22d of December, 1852, committees were appointed to prepare a code of by-laws and the necessary preliminary action had to meet the requirements of the organization, yet but little progress was

made until after the issuance of its charter on November 1, 1853. Upon its receipt about Christmastide, meetings were held preparatory to an election of officers under the charter; at that election, which was held on December 25th, Sir Leander Ransom was elected Commander, and Sir J. Frank Miller was elected Recorder, with a full complement of officers. Among the names on the roll of members we note the familiar ones of Alexander G. Abell and Henry F. Williams. In September of this year the General Grand Encampment made sundry changes in the titles of its officers and the names of the bodies under its jurisdiction, and thereafter San Francisco and sister encampments were designated as Commanderies and their executive heads as Commanders.

At this time there was borne upon the rolls of San Francisco Commandery the names of fifty-three Knights Templar.

Sacramento Encampment No. 2 was organized under dispensation from M. E. William B. Hubbard, General Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, July 5, 1853, and received its charter in February, 1854. The first election of officers, under the charter was held March 24, 1854, when Sir Isaac Davis, the father of the Order in California, was chosen as its first Commander, Sir Alexander Hunter, its first Recorder and a full complement of officers were elected and appointed. This encampment also, under the Order of the Grand Encampment, was afterwards known as Sacramento Commandery No. 2.

Pacific Commandery No. 3, stationed at Columbia, Tuolumne county, was organized under a dispensation issued by the Most Eminent William B. Hubbard, General Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, February 10, 1856, and on May 27th, held its first assembly under its

designated officers, Sir John S. Graham, Eminent Commander; Sir Stillman H. Fickett, Generalissimo, and Sir James W. Marshall, Captain General.

This Commandery received its charter September 10, 1856, and commenced work with bright prospects of an active life and extended membership, but, from local causes, the failure of mining expectations in the locality where it was stationed and other unforeseen happenings, its bright outlook was never realized until after its removal to the county seat, Sonora, Tuolumne county, where it is now stationed, and yet it joined with true Templar spirit San Francisco Encampment No. 1 and Sacramento No. 2 in the preliminary measures for the formation of the Grand Commandery of California setting forth in a petition to Most Eminent William B. Hubbard, General Grand Master, their existence as just and legally constituted bodies of Knights Templar and, believing that the good of the Order in California and the convenience of its members would be promoted by the organization of a Grand Commandery, they had adopted resolutions expressive of their desire to form and open a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar in California, promising, should their prayer be granted, obedience to the General Grand Master and a strict observance of the Constitution and Code of Statutes of the General Grand Encampment of the United States.

They, therefore, courteously petitioned the General Grand Master for his permission and dispensation to proceed in the formation of said Grand Commandery, and that he would issue his warrant authorizing the establishment and continuance of such Grand Body.

Upon the reception of their petition, Most Eminent General Grand Master Hubbard issued the following order:

OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

To All True and Courteous Knights of Our Order:

Know Ye, That whereas there are now established and existing three Commanderies in the State of California holding their authority from

the Grand Encampment of the United States, and working under its jurisdiction, to-wit: San Francisco Commandery No. 1; Sacramento Commandery No. 2, and Pacific Commandery No. 3, and

Whereas, On behalf on those several Commanderies it has been duly certified unto me that they are desirous to form, hold and maintain a Grand Commandery in and for the said State of California, subordinate to the Grand Encampment of the United States of America; therefore,

I, William B. Hubbard, Grand Master, as aforesaid, being satisfied that such request is reasonable and proper, by virtue of the high power in me vested, and in accordance with the constitution and rules of our Order, do hereby authorize and empower the aforesaid Commanderies Nos. 1, 2 and 3, in due order to meet at such time and place as they may agree upon, and form a State Grand Commandery in and for the said State of California, subordinate to our Grand Encampment, such State Grand Commandery, when so formed, making due return and report to me of all their official doings, in accordance with the rules and usages of our Order; making also a like return to our V. E. Grand Recorder, and for all of their doings in accordance with the rules and usages of our Order in forming such State Grand Commandery, this shall be their warrant.

Given under my hand and private seal at the city of Columbus this sixteenth day of May, A. D., 1858, A. O., 740.

WILLIAM B. HUBBARD, *Grand Master.*

Under this warrant the representatives of the Commanderies named herein assembled in convocation, in the Asylum of San Francisco Commandery, Tuesday, August 10, A. D., 1858, A. O. 740, and organized by the appointment of Sir Isaac Davis as president.

Sir Alexander G. Abell, chairman, of the committee to prepare a Constitution and Code of Statutes for the government of the newly formed Grand Body, reported the necessary papers, which after the reading of the Grand Master's warrant were read, considered, and adopted.

The preliminary business of the convocation in the formation of the Grand Commandery of California being concluded, an election was held for officers and the following Sir Knights were chosen to serve for the Templar year:



CALIFORNIA MASONIC WIDOWS AND ORPHANS HOME--DECOTA.

R. E. Isaac Davis, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Leander Ransom, Deputy Commander.
 E. John S. Graham, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Stillman H. Fickett, Grand Captain General.
 E. James H. Culver, Grand Prelate.
 E. James L. English, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. James W. Marshall, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Eli Cook, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Alexander G. Abell, Grand Recorder.
 E. Geo. I. N. Monell, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. William H. Lyon, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. William W. Traylor, Grand Warden.
 E. James Oglesby, Grand Sentinel.

The officers elect were duly installed by Very Eminent Sir Leander Ransom, proxy for the Grand Master.

On motion of the Grand Recorder the Grand Commandery resolved to open and hold its First Conclave in the Asylum of San Francisco Commandery, to-morrow, Wednesday, August 11th, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

The minutes were read and approved and the Convocation adjourned *sine die*.

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF CALIFORNIA.

The first Conclave of the Grand Commandery of California was held in the Asylum of California Commandery No. 1 in San Francisco, August 11, 1858, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., Sir Isaac Davis, Grand Commander, presiding.

The constituent Commanderies were all represented and a number of visiting Sir Knights were present.

The Grand Commandery was opened in ample and knightly form with prayer by the Eminent Grand Prelate.

The minutes of the proceedings of the convocation held yesterday were read and ordered recorded, with the transactions of the present Conclave.

Petitions were presented from certain Sir Knights residing in the cities of Oroville, Placerville, and Marysville, praying for dispensations to open and hold Commanderies of Knights Templar in each of the cities named, which after reference to

the proper committees and report thereon were granted and dispensations ordered issued for the forming and opening of Commanderies in the aforesaid localities.

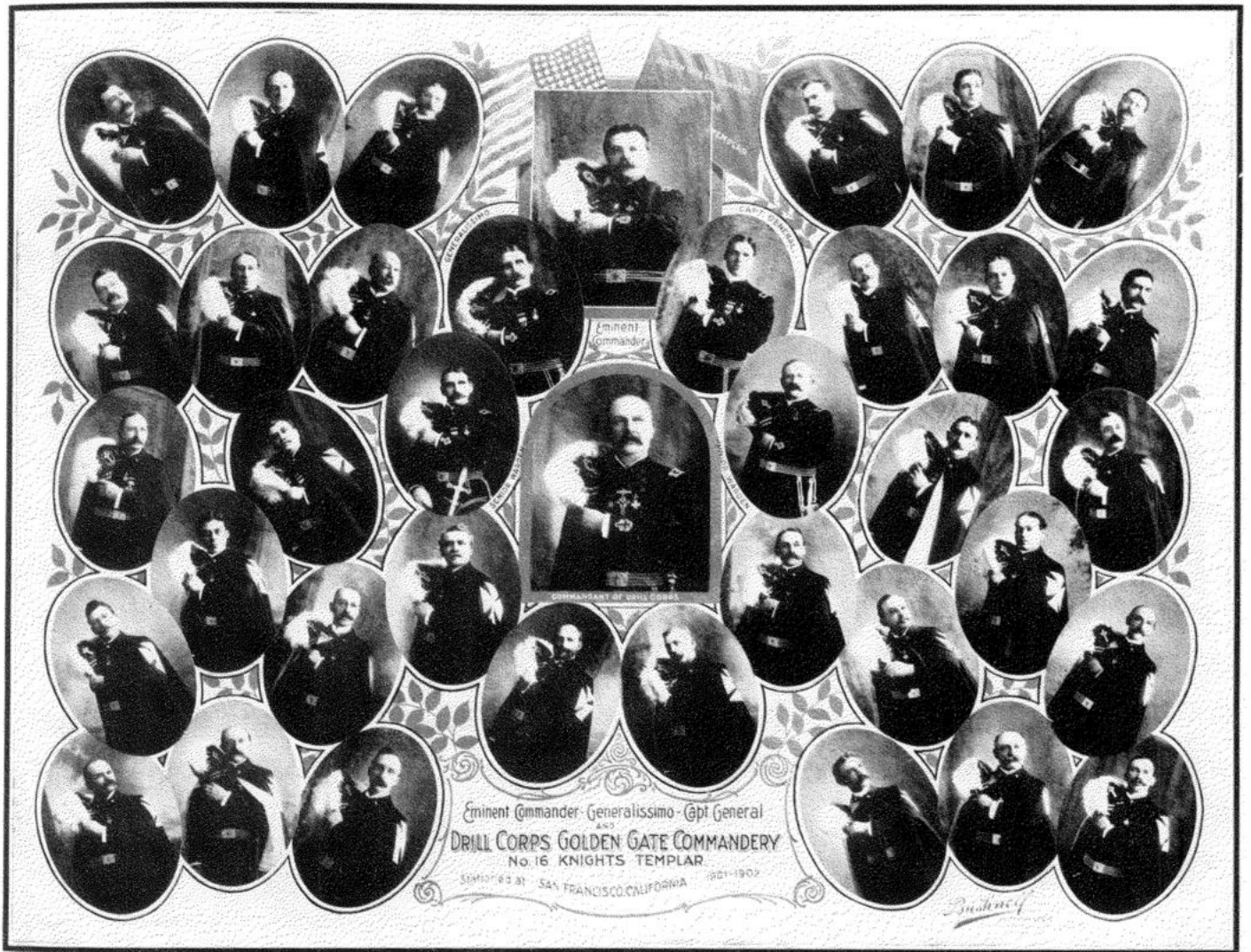
The Grand Recorder reported the preparation of the necessary forms for petitions for the Orders, for affiliation and other necessary forms which were approved and ordered printed.

On motion of Sir Edward H. Evans it was resolved, That the Grand Commander, the Deputy Grand Commander and the Grand Recorder be appointed a committee with power to devise and have prepared, as early as possible, a seal for Grand Commandery.

On motion of Sir Alexander G. Abell, it was ordered, That each of the three Commanderies now under the jurisdiction of this Grand Commandery shall forward to the Grand Recorder thereof, as soon as possible after the close of this Conclave a full return of its officers and members at the date of the organization of the Grand Commandery, that the same may be published with the proceedings, and that a complete return to that date shall at the same time be made to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and be accompanied by such dues as may then have accrued to that body.

Sir Eli Cook presented a petition from San Francisco Commandery No. 1, praying that its name be changed, and that it be hereafter known as California Commandery No. 1, which was referred to the Committee on New Commanderies. On motion of Sir Alexander G. Abell, a committee was appointed to prepare and present for consideration a uniform code of by-laws for the Commanderies within this jurisdiction, and the Grand Commander named as such committee Sir Alex. G. Abell, Sir John S. Graham, and Sir Geo. I. N. Monell.

Sir Alex. G. Abell also moved and it was ordered, That the several Commanderies now existing in this State may retain the charters which they now hold, and that there be endorsed thereon by the Grand Recorder, under the seal of the Grand



CALIFORNIA--DRILL CORPS GOLDEN GATE COMMANDERY NO. 16, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR--SAN FRANCISCO.

Commandery, a certificate to the effect that from this date they are holden subordinate to and under the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of the State of California.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of San Francisco Encampment No. 1, praying that its name be changed to California Commandery No. 1, reported in favor of the change, and it was ordered, That San Francisco Commandery No. 1 be hereafter known and designated upon the registry of this Grand Commandery as California Commandery No. 1, and that an endorsement to such effect be made by the Grand Recorder upon the charter of that body, duly attested by the seal of the Grand Commandery.

Sir Alex. G. Abell, from the committee to prepare a uniform code of by-laws, presented a code, which was considered section by section and unanimously adopted, whereupon it was ordered, That the by-laws for subordinates just approved by the Grand Commandery, be recommended for adoption to three Commanderies now existing under its jurisdiction and be obligatory upon all Commanderies which shall hereafter be established in this State.

The fees to be paid by the new Commanderies to be stationed in the cities of Oroville, Placerville, and Marysville were considered and for reasons submitted it was ordered, That in granting letters of dispensation for the formation of said Commanderies the sum of twenty-five dollars of the fees for each be remitted.

On motion of Sir Knight Fickett, it was ordered, That for the purpose of defraying the immediate expenses of the organization of this Grand Body each Commandery shall pay into the hands of the Grand Recorder the sum of fifty dollars, which sum shall be considered as an advance on account of future dues, and shall be placed to their credit on his books.

Rules of order were adopted, the sum of twenty-five dollars

was ordered paid to the Grand Sentinel for his services at the present Conclave, a vote of thanks was tendered the Masonic bodies occupying the hall for courtesies extended at the present Conclave, and the Grand Commandery closed its First Annual Conclave in ample and knightly form. *So sayeth the record.*

And thus the Grand Commandery of California, with its three chartered Commanderies and three aspirants under dispensation embracing an aggregate membership of one hundred and thirty-one Knights Templar commenced writing the history of the Order of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders, stationed on the Pacific Coast in the month of August, 1858; during the intervening years it has prospered until it has grown into an organization composed of thirty-seven constituent Commanderies, with a membership of 3,556 affiliated Knights Templar.

Forty Grand Commanders have presided over its destinies, of whom twenty are living. It has been represented in Grand Encampment by a Grand Master and a Grand Standard Bearer. It has had the distinguished honor of entertaining the Order assembled in its Twenty-second Triennial Conclave in the city of San Francisco, in 1883, and has been designated for a second visitation in 1904. Unlike many of her sister jurisdictions the Templars of California have always held to the doctrine of continuous membership, hence the final revision of the codes at Pittsburg concerning "non-affiliation" occasioned no confusion in the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of California.

The finances of the Grand Body are in good condition, the net assets of its constituents being given in the last annual report, 1901, at \$93,111.74.

Its officers for the year ending April 17, 1902, are as follows:

Grand Officers of the Grand Commandery of California.

Elected April, A. D. 1901, A. O. 783.

R. E. Sir George Butterfield McKee, Grand Commander, San Jose.
V. E. Sir Wm. Frank Pierce, Deputy Grand Commander, Oakland.
E. Sir Wm. Durrant Knights, Grand Generalissimo, Sacramento.
E. Sir George Sinsabaugh, Grand Captain-General, Los Angeles.
E. Sir John B. De Jarnatt, Grand Senior Warden, Colusa.
E. Sir Brillsford P. Flint, Grand Junior Warden, San Francisco.
E. Sir Reuben Henry Sink, Grand Prelate, Stockton.
E. Sir Edward Coleman, Grand Treasurer, San Francisco.
E. Sir William A. Davies, Grand Recorder, San Francisco.
E. Sir Charles Lord Field, Grand Standard Bearer, San Francisco.
E. Sir Hudson B. Gillis, Grand Sword Bearer, Yreka.
E. Sir William D. Stephens, Grand Warder, Los Angeles.
Sir Samuel David Mayer, Grand Organist, San Francisco.
Sir Geo. W. Perkins, Grand Captain of Guard, San Francisco.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Isaac Davis.	Edward Richard Hedges.
*Leander Ransom.	Charles Fayette Lott.
*James Lawrence English.	George Clement Perkins.
*Alexander Gurdon Abell.	William Monroe Petrie.
*Charles Marsh.	*Philip Walter Keyser.
*Henry Hare Hartley.	Reuben Hedley Lloyd.
*William Caldwell Belcher.	*Tristram Burges.
Henry Holcombe Rhees.	*Carnot Courtland Mason.
William Mason Rundell.	Samuel Hopkins Wagener.
*Isaac Sutvene Titus.	*George Asbury Johnson.
*William Franklin Knox.	Jacob Hart Neff.
*Charles Louis Wiggin.	William Vanderhurst.
Frederick Ferdinand Barss.	Frank William Sumner.
*William Wilson Traylor.	Edward Spalding Lippitt.
*Thomas Hubbard Caswell.	*Trowbridge Hyer Ward.
William Abraham Davies.	George Dickson Metcalf.
Henry Sayre Orme.	Robert Morris Powers.
Hiram Throop Graves.	John Francis Merrill.
Alfred Augustus Redington.	Frederick Marvin Miller.
*Bruce Benjamin Lee.	George Butterfield McKee.

* DECEASED.

California Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
379	1	CALIFORNIA	San Francisco	Carroll Cook	Hiram Throop Graves
205	2	SACRAMENTO	Sacramento	Louis Cyrus Schindler	Alfred Aug. Redington
52	3	PACIFIC	Sonora	Elisha Tolman Gould	Charles E. Street
63	4	EL DORADO	Placerville	Charles A. Swisler	Charles H. Weatherwax
43	5	OROVILLE	Oroville	John Gale	Wm. Hubert Dixon
166	6	NEVADA	Nevada City	William J. Rogers	Ianthis J. Rolfe
79	7	MARYSVILLE	Marysville	Irwin Griffith	James Fred Eastman
92	8	STOCKTON	Stockton	Edw. Eldridge Hood	Minord S. Thresher
421	9	LOS ANGELES	Los Angeles	James William Long	Wm. Byron Scarborough
129	10	SAN JOSE	San Jose	Robert Paris Gober	Milton A. Boulware
172	11	OAKLAND	Oakland	John A. Britton	Charles E. Gillett
59	12	CHICO	Chico	Gilbert H. Taylor	Jefferson D. March
39	13	LASSEN	Susanville	William N. Goodwin	James Branham
80	14	SANTA ROSA	Santa Rosa	John T. Campbell	John Clark Mailer
348	16	GOLDEN GATE	San Francisco	Harvey Davis Loveland	Theodore Frolich
66	17	RED BLUFF	Red Bluff	Elias Delavan Gardner	James T. Murrish
58	18	VENTURA	Ventura	Willis P. Lincoln	William H. Turner
88	19	NAVAL	Vallejo	Gilbert H. Oakley	Charles F. Mugridge
39	20	MOUNT OLIVET	Petaluma	Dolphus B. Fairbanks	Edward S. Lippett
34	21	WOODLAND	Woodland	William Wirt Nelson	Douglas Balfour
84	22	WATSONVILLE	Watsonville	Edgar Lewis Clark	Franklin E. Mauk
65	23	SAINT BERNARD	San Bernardino	Francis L. Holcomb	Edward A. Smith
26	24	COLUSA	Colusa	Jacob Henry Miller	Claude de St. Maurice
88	25	SAN DIEGO	San Diego	Martin Luther Ward	James Smith Clark
50	26	VISALIA	Visalia	Thos. Alex. Chatten	Wm. G. Dozler, Jr.
55	27	SAN LUIS OBISPO	San Luis Obispo	Daniel M. Garrison	Wm. B. Staniford
67	28	RIVERSIDE	Riverside	Robert P. Cundiff	Menno S. Bowman
50	29	FRESNO	Fresno	George Wallace Jones	Frederick M. Miller
42	30	ST. OMER	Santa Barba	Samuel Manchester	John N. Hiller
95	31	PASADENA	Pasadena	Calvin Hartwell	Romayne Williams
50	32	MT. SHASTA	Yreka	Frederick Autenrieth	Louis Nordheim
31	33	UKIAH	Ukiah	Hale McCowen	James R. Matthews
34	34	NAPA	Napa	Daniel S. Kyser	Theodore R. Parker
61	35	EUREKA	Eureka	Ernest Sevier	Wesley C. Graham
39	36	SANTA ANA	Santa Ana	Charles D. Ball	Alcinous Y. Wright
62	37	SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	Pomona	Frank Raynes	Arthur M. Dole
45	38	VACAVILLE	Vacaville	Frederick M. Smith	Samuel F. Ellison

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The Order of the Temple in Canada.

By

Will D. Whyte,

**Past Supreme
Grand Master and
Grand Chancellor of
the Sovereign Great
Priory of Can-
ada.**

THE governing body of the Order of the Temple in Canada is styled the "Sovereign Great Priory," and is analogous to the "Grand Encampment" of the United States. There are no State Grand Commanderies, but the Dominion is divided into Provinces or Districts under the immediate supervision of a "Provincial Grand Prior," holding the relative rank of a Grand Commander. As the Order

grows sufficiently strong, these Provinces will be formed into Provincial Grand Priors (State Grand Commanderies). The subordinates are styled "Preceptories" (Commanderies) and the presiding officer is the Presiding Preceptor (Em. Commander).

The year 1900 was the Centennial of separate organization for the conferring of the Templar Order in Canada, although records go much further back, regarding the existence of the Order under craft warrants.

In R. E. Sir Knight J. Ross Robertson's interesting history of the Knights Templar of Canada he refers to the old tradition that the Knights Hospitaller, Knights of St. John and Knights of Malta, alternately so called, were in active existence in the city of Quebec in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. It is claimed that Champlain, who came to Quebec in 1603, was a Knight of Malta. Montmagny, who was governor of Quebec from 1636 to 1648, especially was untiring in his efforts to advance the interests of the Order of

Malta, but after his recall the Order declined. Captain John Knox, in his journal of the Siege of Quebec, under date of 1st October, 1759, describes the chief edifices of the city and refers to the unfinished but imposing house of the Knights Hospitaller. The American Gazetteer, published in Italian at Leghorn, 1763, in describing the town of Quebec, refers to the house of the Knights of Jerusalem, a superb building of square stones and which is said to have cost £40,000 sterling. The Abbe Bois, F. R. S. C., states that the knights established a bureau in the yard of the Castle of St. Louis, costing 40,000 livres (not pounds). The gable contained a large stone set in the wall, on which was engraved the arms of the Order. The edifice was destroyed by fire during the siege of July, 1759, and the stone which bore a gilt Maltese cross and the date 1647, remained among the ruins until 1784, when it was unearthed and placed in the wall of the Chateau Yard. This stone is still to be seen in the archway, which faces St. Louis street, of that handsome hostelry, the "Chateau Frontenac," now standing on the exact site of the famous old Chateau St. Louis of many historic memories.

RECORDS IN BOSTON.

1769—The oldest record pertaining to the Order of the Temple on this continent is found in the first meeting recorded of St. Andrew's Royal Arch Chapter of Boston, August 28, 1769, when one William Davis received the four steps of Excellent, Super Excellent, Royal Arch, and *Knight Templar*.



M. EM. SIR WILL H. WHYTE.
Grand Chancellor of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada Knights
Templar; Past Supreme Grand Master—Montreal, Quebec.

CANADA.

RECORDS IN NOVA SCOTIA.

1782—The first records in Canada, so far as known are from Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia, which gives the minutes of a chapter of Royal Arch Masons held under warrant of No. 211 on the "Ancient Grand Registry of England," on the 20th September, 1782, and the conferring of the Royal Arch Degree on three candidates, after which, "an assembly or encampment of Sir Knight Templars being formed, the said brothers, J. G. Pyke, John Clark, and Joseph Peters, were instituted and dubbed Knights of the Most Noble and Right Worshipful Order of the Knights Templar." There are similar records of ten other meetings.

RECORDS IN QUEBEC.

1791—In the old minutes of Albion Lodge No. 2, in the city of Quebec, it is recorded June 10, 1791, that Archibald Ferguson, Knight Templar, was present. Letters from H. R. H. Prince Edward, afterward Duke of Kent, Colonel commanding the Royal Fusiliers, and father of Her Most Gracious Majesty, the late Queen Victoria, and dated at Quebec, 27th October, 1792, written to Sir Thomas Dunckerley, Grand Master of the Templar Order in England, states: "Nothing gives me greater pleasure than to hear of the advancement of that Order, which, in my humble opinion is, of all Masonry, the most valuable." Also of date November 20, 1793, H. R. H. writes: "I shall think myself particularly fortunate when circumstances shall permit my meeting the knights in Grand Chapter in London." H. R. H., who was Grand Master of the G. L. of Lower Canada from 1792 to 1812, and resided for some years at both Quebec and Halifax, also held during the latter part of that period the office of Grand Patron of the Order of Masonic Knights Templar."

FIRST WARRANT, KINGSTON, ONT.

1800—In the early days of the Order the degrees were always conferred under a craft warrant, but the year 1800 pro-

duced the first Templar warrant in Canada for holding a separate organization for the assembling of the Fraters and conferring the Order of the Temple. This old Templar warrant is dated 31st October, 1800, and was issued to Sir Knight Companion Christopher Danby as Captain General and is still in existence.

SECOND WARRANT, KINGSTON, ONT.

1823—The next record appears to have been a dispensation for an Encampment of Templars at Kingston on the 10th day of March, 1823. This dispensation was granted to Sirs John Butterworth, Thos. Ferguson, and William Chestnut, and a constitutional number of Knights Templar and Knights of Malta, in the Town of Kingston, and signed by Ziba M. Phillips, General Grand Master, K. T., K. M.

1824—This dispensation was followed by a warrant dated 12th February, 1824, signed by Ziba M. Phillips, G. M., and Philip F. Hall, Grand Recorder, P. T. The petitioners all resided in Kingston, and were British subjects.

1827—The next document is a letter from Hall, the Recorder, to the *Grand Encampment at Montreal*, and the reply is dated at Montreal, January 24, 1827, and is signed by Gwyn Owen Radford, Past Grand Master K. T. and K. M., who writes for the Grand Master, in the absence of the Grand Recorder.

1840—The Order in the Maritime Provinces received its first impetus, by the issuing of a charter by the Supreme Grand Encampment of Ireland, on the 5th April, 1840, to "Hibernian Encampment" No. 318, located at St. Andrews, N. B. This body, however, went out of existence in May, 1860, and its warrant was returned to Ireland.

THIRD WARRANT, KINGSTON, ONT.

1854—In the year 1854 the late Col. Wm. B. McLeod Moore, who had arrived in Canada several years previously, found that an encampment had been in existence in Kingston, and that two of the original members, Fraters Samuel Boyden

and Robert Sellars, still resided there. The warrant of 1824 was eventually found and forwarded, accompanied by a petition signed by the two surviving members and other Templars, to England, praying that it might be exchanged for a new one to be called "Hugh de Payens."

This new warrant was issued by Colonel Kemeys Kemeys Tynte, Grand Master of England, on the 10th March, 1854, with Colonel McLeod Moore as First Commander. In July of the same year the colonel received a patent making him Provincial Grand Commander for the Province of Canada.

From this time dates the revival of the Order of the Temple in Canada.

PROVINCIAL GRAND CONCLAVE.

In the same year (1854) a warrant was issued to open Geoffrey de St. Aldemar in Toronto, dated 8th September, and William de la More, the Martyr at Quebec, was constituted on the 28th July, 1855, with Frater T. D. Harrington as Eminent Commander. These three encampments, on the 7th October, 1855, formed the first governing body of the Order, the "Provincial Grand Conclave" at Kingston, the predecessor of the present Sovereign Great Priory. Six other subordinates were added during the following thirteen years.

1856—On the 22d April, 1856, a dispensation was issued by the Chapter General of Scotland to a number of knights resident in Saint John, N. B., under the designation of the Encampment of St. John No. 48; a charter followed dated February 11, 1857. John Willis, who in 1827 was a member of the St. John's Encampment No. 1, Kingston, was the first Lieutenant Commander of this body.

GRAND PRIORY OF CANADA.

1868—The last session of the "Provincial Grand Priory" was held at Ottawa in 1867 and request forwarded to England that owing to the confederation of the Canadian provinces this year into a Dominion or National body, it was highly ex-

pedient to likewise confederate the various Templar organizations into a Supreme Grand Conclave. This was agreed to by England, and at the annual session of the Order in Montreal, in 1868, it met as a Grand Priory, and under the regime of this governing body eight subordinates were added to the roll.

NATIONAL GREAT PRIORY OF CANADA.

1876—In 1876 Grand Priory after nine years existence, met under that name for the last time in Montreal. In August, 1873, a Grand Conclave for the formation of a National Great Priory had been called to meet in Kingston, but no action was taken until 1876 in Montreal, when it was finally consummated by consent of the Supreme authorities in England nine additions were made to the roll under this regime.

GRAND CROSSES.

1881—In 1881 V. E. Frater A. Stavely Hill, M. P., Chancellor of the Great Priory of England, paid Canada a visit and received a Templar greeting and welcome in Richard Coeur de Lion Preceptory, Montreal. The occasion was memorable, for H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, as Grand Master, had commissioned the Eminent Knight to convey to a number of leading Fraters of Canada the decoration and patent of "Grand Cross and Knight Companion of the Order of the Temple," a decoration highly prized by the Templars of England.

Convent General, the governing body of the Order, in Great Britain, to which the National Great Priory of Canada was attached for eight years, was now practically dead. Scotland had withdrawn, Ireland and England had disagreed over various changes, Canada had not been consulted, and much dissatisfaction had been expressed over the condition of Templar affairs. At the annual session of 1883 a resolution was passed looking to the complete independence of Great Priory.

SOVEREIGN GREAT PRIORY.

1884—On the 8th July, 1884, the Fraters of the National Great Priory met in Toronto for the ninth and last time, and having been absolved by H. R. H. the Prince of Wales from their allegiance to him as Grand Master, formally inaugurated the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, with Col. Wm. J. Bury Macleod Moore, G. C. T., as Supreme Grand Master, *ad vitam*. At this session the honorary rank of "Past Supreme Grand Master of Knights Templar of Canada" was by resolution, conferred upon H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, "as a mark of the very high esteem and affection in which he was held by the Templars of this jurisdiction."

Under "Sovereign Great Priory" sixteen additions (an average of one Preceptory each year) have been made to the Order.

PRESIDING OFFICERS.

The late Col. W. B. Macleod Moore, G. C. T., presided over the destinies of the Knights Templar of Canada from 1854 to 1867 as Provincial Grand Commander, from 1868 to 1875 as Grand Prior, and from 1876 to 1883 as the M. E. the Great Prior.

Since the formation of Sovereign Great Priory the Supreme Grand Masters have been Most Eminent W. J. B. Macleod Moore from 1884 to 1890; J. A. Henderson elected in 1890; Henry Robertson in 1891; E. T. Malone, 1892; E. E. Sheppard, 1893 and 1894; Will H. Whyte, 1895 and 1896; Judge D. F. MacWatt, 1897 and 1898, and the Hon. J. V. Ellis in 1899 and 1900.

Officers of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada, 1901.

M. E. Sir Knight Hon. John V. Ellis, St. John, N. B., Supreme Grand Master.

GREAT OFFICERS.

R. E. Sir Knight David L. Carley, Windsor, Ont., Deputy Grand Master.
M. E. Sir Knight Will H. Whyte, Montreal, Que., Grand Chancellor.
R. E. Sir Knight Rev. A. W. Richardson, Kingston, Ont., Grand Chaplain.
R. E. Sir Knight John Hewton, Kingston, Ont., Grand Constable.
R. E. Sir Knight Spencer Love, Toronto, Ont., Grand Marshal.
R. E. Sir Knight Oliver S. Hillman, Hamilton, Ont., Grand Treasurer.
R. E. Sir Knight W. T. McLaurin, Montreal, Que., Grand Registrar.

PROVINCIAL PRIORS.

R. E. Sir Knight A. M. Stewart, Windsor, Ont., London District.
R. E. Sir Knight Chas. Burch, St. Catharines, Ont., Hamilton District.
R. E. Sir Knight Wm. P. Rylie, Toronto, Ont., Toronto District.

R. E. Sir Knight Wm. Bowden, Ottawa, Ont., Kingston District.
R. E. Sir Knight H. E. Channell, Stanstead, Que., Quebec District.
R. E. Sir Knight Frank L. Tufts, St. John, N. B., New Brunswick District.
R. E. Sir Knight T. V. B. Bingay, Yarmouth N. S., Nova Scotia District.
R. E. Sir Knight Geo. MacDonald, M. D., Calgary, Albt., Manitoba District.
R. E. Sir Knight W. J. Quinlan, M. D., Nelson, B. C., British Columbia District.
R. E. Sir Knight Donald Darrach, M. D., Kensington, P. E. I., P. E. District.

GRAND OFFICERS.

V. E. Sir Knight Wm. Campbell, Montreal, Que., Grand Vice-Chancellor
V. E. Sir Knight A. S. Thornton, Chatham, Ont., Grand Sub-Marshal.
V. E. Sir Knight Robert Kerr, Sarnia, Ont., Grand Director of Ceremonies.

V. E. Sir Knight Wm. Black, Halifax, N. S., Grand Almoner.
 V. E. Sir Knight Charles Cameron, Peterboro, Ont., Grand First Standard Bearer.
 V. E. Sir Knight J. E. Masters, Moncton, N. B., Grand Second Standard Bearer.
 V. E. Sir Knight S. R. Stayner, Brockville, Ont., Grand Master's Banner Bearer.
 V. E. Sir Knight T. M. Davis, Hamilton, Ont., Grand Captain Guard.
 V. E. Sir Knight T. A. McLean, Charlottetown, P. E. I., Grand Sword Bearer.
 V. E. Sir Knight H. H. Watson, Vancouver, B. C., Grand Organist.
 V. E. Sir Knight A. W. Chapman, Winnipeg, Man., Grand Pursuivant.
 V. E. Sir Knight J. R. Fitzgerald, Colborne, Ont., Grand Guard.

GRAND COUNCIL.

R. E. Sir Knight Charles F. Mansell, Toronto, Ont.
 R. E. Sir Knight Wm. Gibson, Beamsville, Ont.
 R. E. Sir Knight J. B. Tresidder, Montreal, P. Q.
 R. E. Sir Knight Wm. G. Reid, Hamilton, Ont.
 R. E. Sir Knight Wm. Roaf, Toronto, Ont.

MEMBERS OF THE GRAND COUNCIL—APPOINTED BY SUPREME GRAND MASTER.

R. E. Sir Knight Thos. Walker, M. D., St. John, N. B.
 R. E. Sir Knight L. B. Archibald, Truro, N. S.

R. E. Sir Knight H. A. Collins, Toronto, Ont.
 R. E. Sir Knight A. A. Campbell, London, Ont.
 R. E. Sir Knight G. J. Bennett, Toronto, Ont.

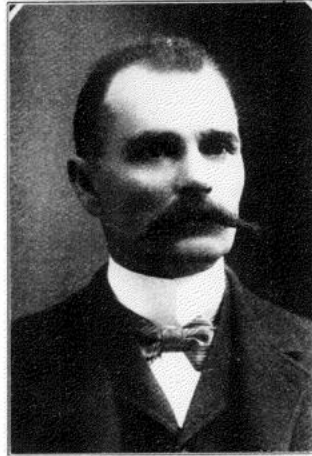
PAST SUPREME GRAND MASTERS.

M. E. Sir Knight Henry Robertson, Collingwood, Ont.
 M. E. Sir Knight E. T. Malone, Q. C., Toronto, Ont.
 M. E. Sir Knight Edmund E. Sheppard, Toronto, Ont.
 M. E. Sir Knight Will H. Whyte, Montreal, Que.
 M. E. Sir Knight Judge D. F. MacWatt, Sarnia, Ont.

The Order of the Temple in Canada is divided into ten districts, each of the Provinces constituting a district with the exception of Ontario, which is divided into four. There are thirty-eight Preceptories (Commanderies) of which seven are located in the Maritime Provinces of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, and P. E. Island, five in Manitoba and the Pacific Coast, three in Quebec and twenty-three in Ontario. The membership is over 2,000, and the net increase, the past seven years, has averaged annually 135.

Preceptories, Preceptors, Registrars and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Preceptory.	Location.	Presiding Preceptor.	Registrar.
21	1	HUGH DE PAYENS PREMIER	Kingston, Ont.,	Wm. J. Renton,	Robt. Hendry
163	2	GEOFFREY DE ST. ALDEMAR	Toronto, Ont.,	J. Wesley Jones	Walter J. Blight
135	3	GODFREY DE BOUILLON	Hamilton, Ont.,	James Hooper	Thos. McCallum
142	3a	ENCAMPMENT OF ST. JOHN	St. John, N. B.,	Wm. B. Wallace	Joseph Magilton
105	4	RICHARD COEUR DE LION	London, Ont.,	F. A. Andrewes	W. T. Stenberg
59	5	NOVA SCOTIA	Halifax, N. S.,	C. I. Donovan	D. H. Campbell
64	6	KING BALDWIN	Belleville, Ont.,	S. S. Lazier	A. McGinnis
88	7	RICHARD COEUR DE LION	Montreal, Que.,	W. M. Campbell	F. C. Manhire
51	8	PLANTAGENET	St. Catherines, Ont.,	Levi Yale	H. J. Johnson
47	9	SUSSEX	Stanstead, Que.,	F. G. Butterfield	A. G. Sjolander
39	10	VICTORIA	Guelph, Ont.,	J. R. McDowell	Hugh McDonald
39	11	UNION DE MOLAY	St. John, N. B.,	Alfred Dodge	A. G. Boyne
65	12	MOUNT CALVARY	Barrie, Ont.,	Geo. G. Smith	Warren Johnson
34	13	MOORE	Peterboro, Ont.,	W. H. Walkey	Chas. Cameron
45	14	HARRINGTON	North Bay, Ont.,	W. H. Thomas	Wm. Hewitt
24	15	ST. JOHN, THE ALMONER	Whitby, Ont.,	Joseph White	John H. Gales
30	16	GODEMAR	Brockville, Ont.,	S. R. Stayner	John Easton
30	17	ODO DE ST. AMAND	Brantford, Ont.,	Herbert Reed	Jos. J. Inglis
51	18	PALESTINE	Port Hope, Ont.,	H. A. Ward	W. G. Coulter
33	19	ST. BERNARD DE CLAIRV'X	Dunnville, Ont.,	Geo. D. Robertson	J. C. Eccles
37	20	KENT	Chatham, Ont.,	Edward Worth	T. C. Macnabb
40	21	BURLEIGH	St. Thomas, Ont.,	H. Roe	W. E. Idsardi
58	22	ST. ELMO	Stratford, Ont.,	W. McKellar	J. Russell Stuart
17	23	RHODES	Pt. Arthur, Ont.,	R. E. Mitchell	W. J. Clarke
86	24	ALBERT EDWARD	Winnipeg, Man.,	Robt. Magness	W. J. Farley
11	25	WILLIAM DE LA MORE	Quebec, Que.,	E. A. Evans	James P. Hicks
73	26	WINDSOR	Windsor, Ont.,	E. G. Swift	John Sale
45	27	MALTA	Truro, N. S.,	F. W. McElhinny	L. B. Archibald
73	29	CYRENE	Toronto, Ont.,	Geo. T. Riddell	F. W. Flett
32	30	WESTERN GATE	Victoria, B. C.,	W. L. Challoner	W. U. Runalls
29	31	YARMOUTH	Yarmouth, N. S.,	A. J. McCallum	G. W. Johnston
34	32	OTTAWA	Ottawa, Ont.,	W. H. G. Garrioch	T. E. Burnside
30	33	CYPRUS	Calgary, Alberta,	A. W. R. Markley	E. Nelson Brown
46	34	COLUMBIA	Vancouver, B. C.,	P. McNaughton	H. H. Watson
27	35	PRINCE EDWARD	Charlottetown, P. E. I.,	Ed. Tweedie	B. Rogers, Jr.,
35	36	IVANHOE	Moncton, N. B.,	J. A. Messervey	H. A. McCully
47	37	ST. SIMON OF CYRENE	Sarnia, Ont.,	Robert Kerr	James Woods
24	38	ROSSLAND	Rossland,	Horace Raymer	Wm. Harp
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R. EM. SIE GEORGE W. ROE.
Grand Commander; Past Commander Canon City Commandery,
No. 9—Pueblo.

COLORADO—GRAND COMMANDER.

The Order of the Temple in Colorado.

By

**William David
Todd,**

**Grand Recorder and
Past Grand Com-
mander of the Grand
Commandery of
Colorado.**

I MUCH regret the compilation of the history of the Grand Commandery of this State could not be prepared by one more competent to perform the very pleasant duty, and those at all familiar with Colorado Templarism can appreciate how much better it could have been done were there still with us our late Grand Recorder, Edward C. Parmelee, who

served in that capacity from the organization of the Grand Commandery to his death in May of this year.

Templarism in Colorado started with a dispensation to Colorado Commandery No. 1. The petition for a dispensation was dated October 18, 1865, and was signed by ten Sir Knights, all of whom, except one, I think, have gone to their long rest, and all of whom in their lifetime were not only prominent in Masonry, but prominent citizens of our city and State, notably John Evans, one of the early governors of the Territory of Colorado. The dispensation was granted by Grand Master H. L. Palmer on January 13, 1866, and was attested by Grand Recorder T. S. Parvin, who has so recently been called to his reward. The officers named in the dispensation were Sir Joshua Howell Gest, as Eminent Commander; Sir Samuel H. Jones, as Generalissimo, and Sir Richard Sopris, as Captain General. In pursuance of this dispensation the Sir Knights named therein met in Denver on February 22, 1866, and proceeded to open a Commandery of Knights Templar, and I have no doubt it was opened in due form, as Eminent Commander, Sir Gest, was formerly of Apollo Commandery No. 1 of Chicago, and is re-

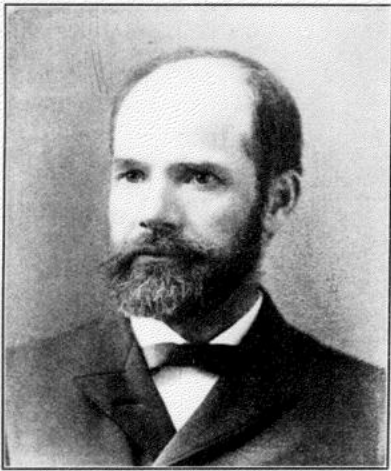
membered by those who knew him as one of the ablest workers ever in our State. It appears that nine companions were then on hand petitioning for the honors which might be conferred upon them by the Commandery.

The dispensation was surrendered July 21, 1868, and charter issued by the Grand Encampment of the United States September 18, 1868. Many amusing incidents are narrated of the early experiences of this Commandery, among other being the sending of a detachment of "His Majesty's Guards" to one of our theaters and taking therefrom two of our most prominent citizens who had failed to respond to their Templar duties.

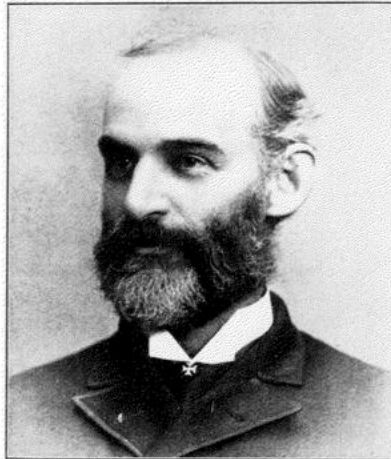
The present officers of this, our old No. 1, are as follows:

Eminent Commander, Sir John L. Dixon.
Generalissimo, Sir Robert A. Kincaid.
Captain General Sir August A. Zizka.
Prelate, Sir Benj. L. James.
Senior Warden, Sir Stanley C. Warner.
Junior Warden, Sir Walter D. Salter.
Treasurer, E. Sir Arthur E. Jones.
Recorder, E. Sir Lawrence N. Greenleaf.

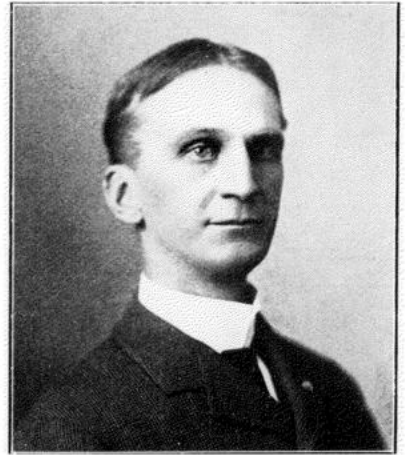
Templarism continued to thrive in our State until March 14, 1876, when there were three Commanderies, viz.: Colorado Commandery No. 1; Central City Commandery No. 2; and Pueblo Commandery No. 3, who met in convention in pursuance of the authority granted by Most Excellent Grand Master James H. Hopkins, and organized the Grand Commandery of Colorado. Eminent Sir W. D. Anthony acted as Right Eminent Grand Commander and Edward C. Parmelee as Recorder in the temporary organization. The first officers under the regular organization were Henry M. Teller, one of



V. EM. SIR HARPER M. ORAHOOD.
Grand Commander 1879-80; Grand Warden Grand
Encampment, U. S. A., 1888-1901—
Denver.



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM DAVID TODD.
Grand Recorder; Grand Commander, 1894—Denver.



R. EM. SIR JOHN M. MAXWELL.
Grand Commander 1898-99—
Leadville.

COLORADO—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

our present United States senators, as Grand Commander; W. D. Anthony, as Deputy Grand Commander; Irving W. Stanton as Generalissimo; J. M. Strickler as Grand Captain General; Rev. P. V. Finch, as Grand Prelate; William D. Todd as Grand Treasurer and Edward C. Parmelee as Grand Recorder. Sir Parmelee continued to serve as Grand Recorder from that time until his death, and Sir Todd as Grand Treasurer, except when in line toward the Grand Commandership.

We may be pardoned for calling attention to the seal of our Grand Commandery, especially to the manner in which it was prepared. The writer was sitting in one of the rooms of our Asylum when the question of a seal was brought up, and some one present suggested to Sir Knight William A. Elderkin, of Pueblo Commandery, that he prepare one, which he did then and there in almost less time than it takes me now to tell of it, and we feel that even regardless of the brief time in which it was prepared that we have one of the handsomest and most unique seals of any Grand Commandery in the country.



SEAL OF GRAND COMMANDERY.

At the time of the organization of the Grand Commandery we had 127 members, and in September, 1900, 1,683 members, among whom may be found citizens prominent in every walk in life.

The most notable undertaking of our Grand Commandery was the Triennial of 1892. The Templars throughout the

State in that year were not many, but the interest in the Conclave and the work done in its behalf was not confined to Templars or even to Masons, but every resident of our city, in fact throughout our State, felt an interest in its success and contributed their time and means to that end.

During the term of our last Grand Commander, Right Eminent Sir Harry A. Lee, chairman of our present Triennial Committee, he visited each of the twenty-five Commanderies in our jurisdiction, which entailed upon him 12,095 miles of travel. Possibly some of our Eastern Grand Commanders may have traveled farther, but we question it, and our present Grand Commander, Right Eminent Sir Julius B. Bissell, is repeating the experience.

Our Grand Commandery was honored last Triennial Conclave by the selection of Right Eminent Sir Harper M. Orhood as one of the officers of the Grand Encampment, and we feel confident that when he attains the position of Grand Master our Fraters throughout the country will feel as proud of him as we do here in Colorado.

I append a list of our present Grand Officers, together with the names of our Past Grand Commanders.

The present (1901) Grand Officers are:

- R. E. Sir Knight George Washington Roe, Pueblo, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight Ed Gene Arnold, Denver, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight William Junkin Fine, Denver, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Richard W. Corwin, Pueblo, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight Arthur Edgar Jones, Denver, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Darius A. Barton, Denver, Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight John Wallis Ohl, Salida, Grand Prelate.
- E. Sir Knight Frank L. Bishop, Denver, Grand Treasurer.
- E. Sir Knight William David Todd, Denver, Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight Jethro C. Sanford, Durango, Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight John H. GullMoll, Trinidad, Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Marshall H. Dean, Glenwood Springs, Grand Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Thomas Nicholl, Denver, Grand Captain of Guard.
- E. Sir Knight James L. Moorhead, Boulder, Grand Marshal.
- E. Sir Knight T. F. Godding, Rocky Ford, Grand Herald.
- E. Sir Knight George D. Kimball, Denver, Official Drill Master.



EM. SIR JOHN L. DIXON.
Commander Colorado Commandery, No 1—
Denver.



EM. SIR GEORGE W. MABEE.
Commander Central City Commandery, No. 2—
Central City.



EM. SIR JOHN M. MAXWELL.
Commander 1888-89 Mt. of Holy Cross Command-
ery, No. 5; Past Grand Commander—
Leadville.



SIR KT. JAMES E. ORMAN.
Member Pueblo Commandery, No. 3; Governor
of Colorado—Denver.

COLORADO—COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COLORADO NO. 1, DENVER;
CENTRAL CITY NO. 2, CENTRAL CITY; PUEBLO NO. 3, PUEBLO; MOUNT OF
HOLY CROSS NO. 5, LEADVILLE.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

Henry M. Teller.	J. P. Maxwell.	Wm. D. Todd.
*W. D. Anthony.	*Horace N. Banks.	Wm. W. Rowan.
I. W. Stanton.	Aaron Gove.	Eugene P. Shove.
H. M. Orahoad.	J. H. Peabody.	Geo. J. Dunbaugh.
J. M. Strickler.	*Geo. Wyman.	John M. Maxwell.
*M. Spangler.	*Byron L. Carr.	Harry A. Lee.
M. H. Fitch.	A. A. Burnand.	Julius B. Bissell.
R. W. Woodbury.	A. B. McGaffey.	Geo. W. Roe.

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COLORADO-LOUISVILLE TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE.

1901

RIGHT EMINENT SIRS.

Harry A. Lee

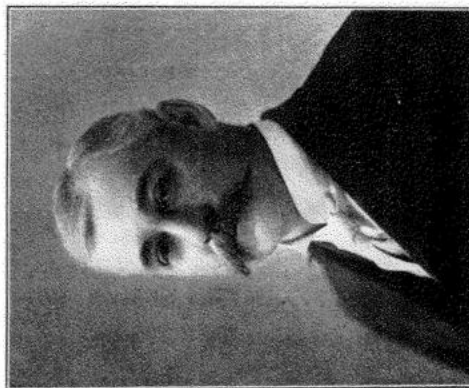
George J. Dunbaugh	John M. Maxwell
James H. Peabody	William D. Todd

Colorado Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
415	1	COLORADO	Denver	John L. Dixon	Lawrence N. Greenleaf
40	2	CENTRAL CITY	Central City	George W. Mabee	Perry A. Kline
98	3	PUEBLO	Pueblo	Wm. Young	Wm. Peach
22	4	GEORGETOWN	Georgetown	William L. Bush	Fred P. Dewey
71	5	MT. OF THE HOLY CROSS ..	Leadville	John R. Champion	Frank S. Pace
99	6	PIKE'S PEAK	Colorado Springs	David N. Heizer	Aury Ballou Noxen
76	7	MT. SINAI	Boulder	James E. Hubbard	Hiram E. Washburn
35	8	GUNNISON	Gunnison	Samuel P. Spencer	Osmer H. Alkine
89	9	CANON CITY	Canon City	Frank N. Carrier	Henry L. Price
44	10	GREELEY	Greeley	Wm. Mayher	Joseph A. Woodbury
50	11	IVANHOE	Durango	J. C. Sanford	A. R. Lewis
56	12	LONG'S PEAK	Longmont	Ira L. Herron	Will E. Letford
50	13	DEMOLAY	Fort Collins	Thos. J. Montgomery	Stephen H. Seckner
35	14	ASPEN	Aspen	Charles W. Stringfield	Herbert A. Canning
26	15	RIO GRANDE DEL NORTE ..	Alamosa	George H. Shone	William H. Hirst
78	16	OURAY	Ouray	Geo. R. Hurlburt	Ralph Williams
43	17	SALIDA	Salida	Charles B. Coffin	George W. McGovern
70	18	ORIENTAL	Trinidad	Frank R. Brown	Ivory Q. Milliken
33	19	MONTROSE	Montrose	Sterling S. Sherman	Abe Roberts
34	20	GLENWOOD SPRINGS	Glenwood Springs	J. E. Miller	Marshall H. Dean
37	22	PALESTINE	La Junta	V. Albera	R. A. Steen
36	23	TEMPLE	Grand Junction	John J. Lumsden	Wm. Carlyle
82	25	DENVER	Denver	George W. Vallery	Wm. D. Todd
41	26	CRIPPLE CREEK	Cripple Creek	Victor G. Hills	Percy Stephenson
45	27	TELLURIDE	Telluride	H. M. Hogg	Otto Brandes
1705					



R. EM. SIR ELI C. BIRDSEY.
Grand Recorder, Grand Commander, 1881-Meriden.



EM. SIR JOHN WALTER MIX.
Grand Captain General-Meriden.



EM. SIR EDWARD F. FULLER.
Grand Generalissimo-Tolland.



V. EM. SIR H. WALES LINES.
Grand Commander, 1877-Grand Treasurer Grand
Encampment, 1877-8, Treasurer St.
Elmo Commandery No. 9-Meriden.

CONNECTICUT--OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Order of the Temple in Connecticut.

By
Eli C. Birdsey,
Grand Recorder and
Past Grand Com-
mander of the Grand
Commandery of
Connecticut.

THE Order was instituted in this State, in July, 1796, at Colchester, the record of which is as follows:

In July, 1796, three regular Knights Templar, hailing from three different Commanderies, formed an encampment at Colchester, in the State of Connecticut, at which time the following Royal Arch Masons had regularly

conferred on them the Order of Knighthood, viz.: John R. Watrous, Asa Bigelow, Roger Buckley, John Breed, Joel Worthington.

In June, 1801, a charter was obtained from London and an encampment was held in New London at which time officers were elected who held their offices until April, 1810. At the same meeting a code of by-laws was adopted and four Royal Arch Masons "had conferred on them the Degrees of Knights of the Red Cross, High Priest and Sir Knights Templars." The organization of the institution is further alluded to in a small pamphlet, entitled "A Hint to Free Masons," published in Newfield in 1799, in which occurs the following passage:

"In the year 1796 at Colchester, were introduced other degrees, viz.: Knights Templar and Knights of Malta, etc., of which the author knows nothing, only, that he has been informed by one of the Order that they exercise the power without constitution or warrant."

In the Connecticut Gazette, for July 2, 1800, is an order of procession for the dedication of Free Masons Hall at New London, which took place June 24, 1800, in which Knights Templar were assigned a place in line.

Officers were again elected April 6, 1810, who held their offices until April 28, 1819, when the encampment came under the jurisdiction of the General Grand Encampment of the United States.

From the records it would seem that their authority to confer the degrees was called in question, for at an assembly, held April 10, 1810, the following vote was passed:

"Voted, That this encampment do establish the charter by them received from London, to be the authority by which they hold and exercise their right of making Knights Templar."

There is no record of any meeting after this until April 28, 1819, which record gives the names of those present, thirteen in number, and at this meeting, a motion was made "to relinquish the charter which this encampment has heretofore acted under and make application to the General Grand Encampment of the United States for a new charter; said encampment to be styled the Washington Encampment of Knights Templar, to be holden at New London and Colchester and at Hartford if deemed expedient, which motion prevailed." Most Eminent Sir Thomas Smith Webb, the second officer of the General Grand Encampment, being present, was requested to obtain a charter in conformity to the above vote. At this meeting several companions were knighted and officers were elected.

A charter in accord with the above was granted under which the Commandery now known as Washington Commandery No. 1, at Hartford has continued their labors. About this time the New Haven Sir Knights were moving to have an encampment instituted at that place, but objection was made by Washington Encampment and they appointed a



EM. SIR CHARLES L. HUBBARD.
Commander Columbian Commandery No. 4—
Norwich.



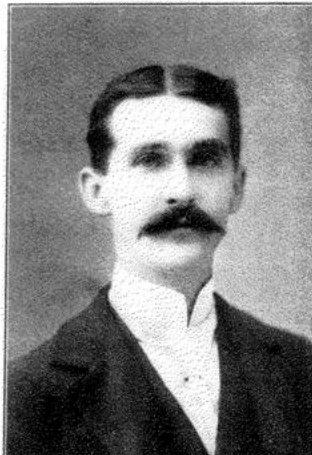
SIR J. HERBERT GEORGE.
Generalissimo Columbian Commandery No. 4—
Norwich.



SIR CHARLES W. GALE.
Captain General Columbian Commandery No. 4—
Norwich.



EM. SIR CHARLES EDMUND MASON.
Commander Crusader Commandery No. 10—
Danbury.



SIR LOUIS H. PERKINS.
Sword Bearer St. Elmo Commandery No. 9—
Meriden.



EM. SIR EDWARD E. FULLER.
Past Commander St. Johns Commandery No. 11—
Willimantic. Grand Generalissimo—Tolland.

CONNECTICUT-COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR: COLUMBIAN NO. 4, NORWICH; CRUSADER NO. 10, DANBURY;
ST. ELMO NO. 9 MERIDEN; ST. JOHN'S NO. 11, WILLIMANTIC.

committee to endeavor to procure an alteration of charter so that meetings could be held in any town in the State. This request was refused by Most Eminent Henry Fowle, because he had not the power and also thought it inexpedient to have a traveling encampment.

Washington Encampment continued their meetings regularly until 1829, when anti-Masonic excitement caused them to become dormant. In 1844, the Grand Encampment of Connecticut ordered this encampment removed to Hartford, which was done and since which time they have met regularly. The charter under which they are now working is that which was granted by the General Grand Encampment of the United States.

Notwithstanding the opposition of Washington Encampment, New Haven Encampment No. 2 received authority to institute an encampment November 5, 1825, and Clinton Encampment No. 3, Washington, Conn., was instituted by dispensation of the Most Eminent Grand Master DeWitt Clinton, February 9, 1827. The Grand Encampment of Connecticut was organized by representatives from Washington, New Haven and Clinton Encampments September 13, 1827, and Eminent Sir Knight John R. Watrous was elected the first Grand Master with a complete corps of officers. The same officers were re-elected in 1828. From this date no records are to be found, and it is supposed they were destroyed by fire in the office of the then Grand Recorder.

At the Annual Conclave in May, 1864, the Grand Encampment voted to so change its constitution as to conform to the requirements of the Grand Encampment of the United States, substituting the name conclave for assembly, commandery for encampment, E. R. Grand Commander for Grand Master, etc., and adopted the name of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Connecticut.

Since 1842, the records of the Grand Commandery are complete and it, together with its constituent bodies, has enjoyed a high degree of prosperity.

New Haven Encampment held meetings regularly through

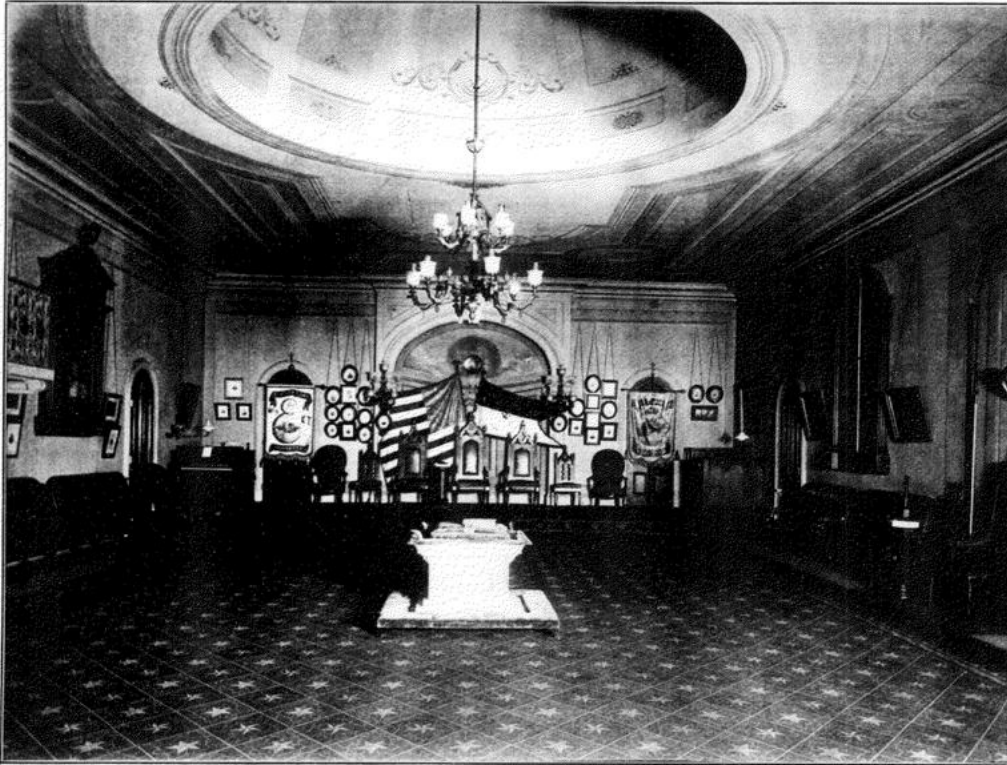
the anti-Masonic excitement, with the exception of one year, 1835; while the other two encampments remained dormant. Had it not been for the faithfulness of this body, the Order must have been abandoned and Connecticut would not now occupy the prominent position in the sisterhood of Grand Commanderies that it has attained. Too much praise can not be rendered those valiant knights who remained steadfast to their principles, all of whom have passed the lines of our dominions and rest from their labors. The history of the other Commanderies in this jurisdiction is of comparatively recent date. A list of them and the dates of their charters follows:

Columbian, No. 4, Norwich, May 12, 1853.
Hamilton, No. 5, Bridgeport, May 10, 1855.
Palestine, No. 6, New London, May 10, 1855.
Clark, No. 7, Waterbury, May 10, 1856.
Cyrene, No. 8, Middletown, November 8, 1867.
St. Elmo, No. 9, Meriden, May 13, 1869.
Crusader, No. 10, Danbury, March 21, 1871.
St. Johns, No. 11, Willimantic, March 21, 1882.

From the small number of Templars comprised in the Commanderies of this jurisdiction at the date of the formation of the Grand Commandery of Connecticut the number has constantly increased until this small jurisdiction now numbers among the faithful two thousand six hundred and ninety-six, among whom are many of the best blood of the Commonwealth and who are distinguished in the councils of both the nation and State and who have and are rendering important service "in the field, on the bench, at the bar and at the holy altar."

The present (1901) Grand Officers are:

R. E. Sir Knight Albert S. Comstock, Norwich, Grand Commander.
V. E. Sir Knight Alfred E. Fuller, Danbury, Deputy Grand Commander.
E. Sir Knight Edward E. Fuller, Willimantic, Grand Generalissimo.
E. Sir Knight John W. Mix, Meriden, Grand Captain General.
E. Sir Knight Julius W. Knowlton, Bridgeport, Grand Senior Warden.



ASTLUM OF St. ELMO COMMANDERY.



R. EM. SIR. H. WALES LINES,
P. C., P. G. C.
Grand Treasurer, Grand Encampment of
the United States—Treasurer.

OFFICERS.			
Eugene A. Hall, Eminent Com'nder.	H. Wales Lines, Treasurer.	Charles E. Morgan, Second Guard.	
Arthur E. Miller, Generalissimo.	Norman E. Smith, Recorder.	Robert J. Walker, First Guard.	
Matthew Beatty, Captain General.	John H. Parish, Standard Bearer.	William H. Westwood, Commissary.	
Edwin B. Everitt, Prelate.	Louis H. Perkins, Sword Bearer.	James F. Gill, Organist.	
Irving L. Holt, Senior Warden.	Henry B. Levi, Warden.	Samuel Kenworthy, Armorer.	
Charles P. Connolly, Junior Warden.	John Cluice, Third Guard.	Patrick Garvey, Sentinel.	
PAST COMMANDERS.			
G. Herrick Wilson.	Edgar J. Doolittle.	Edwin B. Everitt.	John W. Mix.
H. Wales Lines.	Levi E. Coe.	Matthew Beatty.	Joseph S. Stokes.
Eli C. Birdsey.	Wilbur F. Davis.	George H. Wilcox.	Charles B. Terrill.
			William A. Kendrick.
			William C. Comstock.

CONNECTICUT—ST. ELMO COMMANDERY NO. 9, MERIDEN.





EM. SIR EUGENE A. HALL.
Commander.



SIR KT. ARTHUR E. MILLER.
Generalissimo.



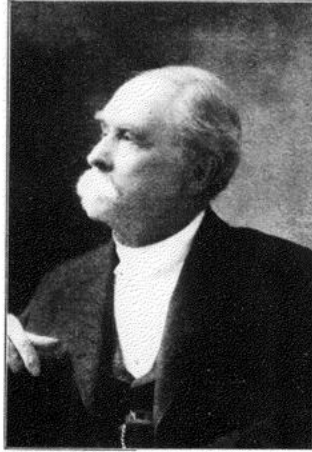
EM. SIR MATTHEW BEATTY.
Captain General—Past Commander.



EM. SIR EDWIN R. EVERITT.
Prelate.—Past Commander.



R. EM. SIR ELI C. BIRDSEY.
Grand Recorder, Past Grand Com-
mander—Past Commander.



R. EM. SIR G. HERRICK WILSON.
Past Grand Commander—Past Com-
mander.



EM. SIR JOHN WALTER MIX.
Grand Captain General—Past Com-
mander.



EM. SIR WILLIAM C. COMSTOCK.
Past Commander.

CONNECTICUT—ST. ELMO COMMANDERY NO. 9 MERIDEN.

E. Sir Knight Samuel J. Bryant, New Haven, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Farron S. Betts, Norwalk, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight Wm. R. Higby, P. G. C., Bridgeport, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Eli C. Birdsey, P. G. C., Meriden, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Normand F. Allen, Hartford, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight George M. Long, New London, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Leon M. Woodford, Waterbury, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight Wesley U. Pearne, Middletown, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*John R. Watrous	*John A. McLean.
*William H. Jones	*George F. Daskam
*William H. Ellis	*William Hyde
*E. G. Storer	*Howard P. Ensign
*George Giddings	*David Clark
*Horace Goodwin	*William L. Brewer
*Benj. Beecher, Jr.	William R. Higby
*William E. Sanford	*Frederick J. Calhoun
*Cyrus Goodell	*John W. Paul

*Stiles D. Sperry
 *Amos S. Treat
 *P. St. M. Andrews
 *William W. Storey
 *Serenio S. Thomas
 *Daniel Calkins
 *Nathan Dikeman
 John G. Root
 Henry Woodward
 H. Wales Lines
 Fred H. Parmelee
 Charles W. Carter
 Charles W. Skiff
 Nelson J. Welton
 Augustus C. Golding
 *James H. Welsh
 Eli C. Birdsey

William E. Seeley
 Fred H. Waldron
 Charles E. Billings
 Charles B. Ware
 Fred A. Spencer
 Ira L. Gardiner
 Costello Lippitt
 Christian Swartz
 *James B. Wildman
 G. Herrick Wilson
 Hugh Stirling
 Lyman H. Johnston
 Samuel M. Bronston
 William E. Withey
 William E. Risley
 Eddie S. Davis
 Albert S. Comstock

*DECEASED.

Connecticut Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
624	1	WASHINGTON	Hartford	Curtiss P. Gladding	Richard P. Martin
515	2	NEW HAVEN	New Haven	Frederick M. Willmot	Francis G. Anthony
103	3	CLINTON	Norwalk	Ferdinand B. Smith	Farron S. Betts
284	4	COLUMBIAN	Norwich	Charles L. Hubbard	Burrell W. Hyde
333	5	HAMILTON	Bridgeport	George H. N. Johnson	Charles H. Peet
127	6	PALESTINE	New London	Walter A. Towne	A. W. Sholes
205	7	CLARK	Waterbury	Carl E. Munger	Henry W. Atwood
149	8	CYRENE	Middletown	William S. Wetherbee	Ira L. Gardiner
146	9	ST. ELMO	Meriden	Eugene A. Hall	Norman E. Smith
117	10	CRUSADER	Danbury	C. Edward Mason	William G. Randall
93	11	ST. JOHN'S	Willimantic	George E. Wilcox	Charles L. Boss
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Order of the Temple of the District of Columbia.

By
Arvine W.
Johnston,
Grand Recorder of the
Grand Commandery
of the District of
Columbia.

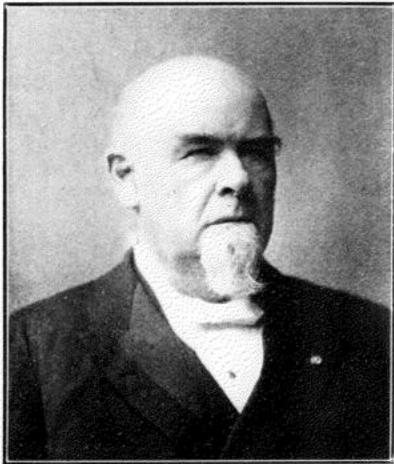
THE history of Chivalric Masonry in the District of Columbia dates from December 1, 1824, when ten Sir Knights assembled in the city of Washington for the purpose of forming an encampment of Knights Templar. It is to be presumed that this "assembly," as it was called, was held under dispensation, as otherwise its proceedings would be without justification in the light of modern Masonic jurisprudence, but singularly enough the records afford no evidence of such authority. Sir James Cushman presided as "Most Eminent Grand Commander," and on his right sat Wm. W. Seaton, mayor of Washington and congressional printer, distinguished alike in the political and Masonic annals of the Capital City. Petitions were received from two companions, who were balloted upon, elected, and invested with the Orders forthwith. A Sir Knight who was "unknown to the members" and "unable to manifest his faith," was "formally healed" as a preliminary to his admission as a visitor. Truly this inchoate body exercised remarkable powers.

At the assembly of January 4, 1825, it was resolved that "the style and title of this encampment shall be Washington Encampment No. 1." A committee was appointed to draft by-laws, and the fee for the Orders was fixed at twenty-five dollars. The first election of officers was held, resulting in the choice of Nicholas Blasdell as Most Eminent Grand Commander. A petition for a charter, bearing the date of this assembly, was presented "to the Most Eminent Henry Fowle,

Esq., Deputy Grand Master of the General Grand Encampment of the United States." On January 14, 1825, Most Eminent Sir Fowle issued a charter to the petitioners to form "Washington Encampment," by which designation the body was known for about thirty years, when it was changed to Washington Commandery No. 1.

The first assembly under the charter was held April 6, 1825, when a committee was appointed to inquire into the probable cost of the "dress" of the Sir Knights, which is described as "a sash and apron." The "old black uniform," which has played so prominent a part in the history of the present Washington Commandery is probably an evolution from this "dress." Soon after by-laws were adopted providing for quarterly assemblies and fixing the annual dues at fifty cents. We learn from the old records that the encampment was given a roving commission by the Grand Encampment, and held its assemblies alternately in Washington and Georgetown. In 1828 it attended divine services at St. John's Church in honor of the memory of Grand Master DeWitt Clinton. In 1829 it participated in the celebration at Baltimore of the building of the first railroad. In 1830 it united, with the Grand Lodge of Virginia in ceremonies at Alexandria and Mount Vernon in honor of the memory of Washington. From the year after its organization the encampment struggled for existence against the fanatical persecution of Masonry, which followed the disappearance of Morgan. In 1835, weary of the long conflict, it discontinued its assemblies, and for twelve years its banners were furled and its tapers extinguished. At this time thirty-eight members were borne on its roll.

In 1847 eleven Fraters, inspired by the zeal of one of their number, the illustrious Benjamin Brown French, joined in a



R. EM. SIR NOBLE D. LARNER.
First Grand Commander 1896—Past Em. Commander DeMolay Mounted
Commandery No. 4 K. T.—Washington.



EM. SIR ARVINE W. JOHNSTON.
Grand Recorder—P. Em. Commander Orient Commandery No. 5 K. T.—
Washington.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA--GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

petition to Sir Jos. K. Stapleton, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, for a dispensation to revive Washington Encampment, which was issued April 22, 1847. On the 24th of the same month the reorganization was effected by the election of a line of officers. Sir Benjamin B. French was chosen Most Eminent Grand Commander and continued in that station, with an interval of one year, until 1859, when he retired to become Most Eminent Grand Master of Templars. His administrative genius laid the foundation on which the splendid superstructure of Washington Commandery No. 1 has been reared. It was during his service in the chair that the name of the body was changed from "Encampment" to "Commandery."

The Commandery took part in the ceremonies of the laying the corner-stone of the monument to Washington in 1848, and was present at the dedication of that imposing obelisk in 1885. It acted as escort in the funeral procession of President Lincoln in 1865, and assisted in like duty when the remains of President Garfield were removed from the Capitol to the depot in 1881. The limits of this article preclude narration of the many pilgrimages and other events in which it has taken part. Conservative, yet progressive, it bears upon its roll the names of many representative men in the professional business and social life of the city, and many whose fame has gone beyond the limits of the jurisdiction. Among the latter we find the leonine Benjamin B. French, Albert Pike, soldier, poet, philosopher, Grand Commander of the Southern jurisdiction of the Scottish Rite; the brilliant Charles F. Stansbury, whose masterly defense of the "old black uniform" thrilled the Grand Encampment at New Orleans in 1874; Albert G. Mackey, Eminent Masonic Jurist; George C. Whiting, the able, earnest, and eloquent Grand Master of Masons; and Wm. R. Singleton, the veteran Grand Secretary and Masonic writer. The strength of the Commandery at the present time is 481 members, and its officers are as follows: Wm. S. Parks, Commander; Fred W. Behrens, Generalissimo; Claude F. King, Captain General; Albert F. Fox, Treasurer; Henry S. Merrill, Recorder.

In the throes of civil war, when Washington was a vast military camp, another Commandery was born, January 13, 1863; a dispensation was granted by Most Eminent Grand Master Benjamin B. French to twenty-one Sir Knights to form Columbia Commandery No. 2, and his action was ratified by the Grand Encampment on September 17, 1865, when a charter was granted.

Born in an atmosphere of strife, Columbia Commandery has ever been imbued with an ardent military spirit. In the spirit of Napoleon's celebrated saying, "There shall be no Alps," the Commandery has planned and carried out many large enterprises in the face of seemingly unsurmountable difficulties. Foremost in every undertaking that enlists the energies of Christian Knighthood, its pluck, ambition and progressiveness have won for it a commanding position among the Templar bodies of the world. Its record of Triennial pilgrimages is unbroken from St. Louis in 1868 to Louisville in 1901. At Pittsburg it had the honor of being the special escort of Grand Master Warren LaRue Thomas, and at the present Conclave it performed the same duty for its distinguished Frater, Grand Commander George Gibson. Two of its Past Commanders have been chosen as officers of the Grand Encampment, Sir Myron M. Parker as Grand Sword Bearer in 1889, and Sir Frank H. Thomas as Grand Captain of the Guard in 1895. Many distinguished names are borne on the roster of Columbia Commandery, among whom may be mentioned President James A. Garfield, who was knighted by the Commandery in 1865, and whose remains were escorted by his Fraters from Washington to Cleveland; Ben Perley Poore, the eminent journalist, who was the first Commander under dispensation; Gen. H. C. Corbin, Adjutant General, U. S. A.; and Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley, the hero of Santiago Bay. The membership of the Commandery is 554, and the officers are as follows: John J. Harrower, Commander; Benj. Parkhurst, Generalissimo; Harry F. Riley, Captain General; George Gibson, Treasurer; and Stephen M. Ryder, Recorder.

Potomac Commandery No. 3 planted its banners in Georgetown under dispensation in 1870, and was chartered by the

Grand Encampment September 22, 1871. While its jurisdiction, in common with the other Commanderies, extend over the District of Columbia, its distance from the centers of activity has limited its actual field of operations to West Washington, as old Georgetown is now called, a section largely dominated by an influence inimical to Masonry. But "*Nil Desperandum*" is the motto of this plucky little Commandery, and after many years of warfare it bids fair to reap the rewards its valor and constancy have earned. It has now an even hundred members, and the officers are as follows: Wm. S. Waddey, Commander; James S. Raeburn, Generalissimo; R. L. Middleton, Captain General; H. G. Wagner, Treasurer; A. B. Bennett, Recorder.

DeMolay Mounted Commandery No. 4 was organized under dispensation February 19, 1872, and chartered December 2, 1874. Its charter membership was drawn from among the substantial business men of the city, and the accessions to its ranks have come from the same class. The Commandery is distinguished for open-handed charity and genuine, knightly hospitality, and excels in the cultivation of the social features of the Order. In its peculiar nomenclature it numbers 219 "saddles," and the officers are as follows: Robert Cook, Commander; Thos. E. Landon, Generalissimo; Angus Lamond, Captain General; Emil G. Schafer, Treasurer; Chas. L. Patten, Recorder.

The long-felt want of a Commandery in the populous eastern section of the city led to the formation of Orient Commandery No. 5. Chartered by the Grand Encampment August 29, 1895, without a previous existence under dispensation, it entered at once upon a career of phenomenal prosperity. Starting with a charter membership of 30, in the first year of its existence its ranks were increased to 82, and at the last return it numbered 143 swords. Young, vigorous, and enthusiastic, this Commandery looks forward to a future as full of promise as the past has been of success. The officers of the present year are as follows: Francis J. Woodman, Commander; Edwin B. Hesse, Generalissimo; Wm. E. Miller,

Captain General; John Schultz, Treasurer; W. Harry Olcott, Recorder.

From the chartering of Washington Encampment in 1825 to the chartering of Orient Commandery in 1895, the Templar bodies of the District of Columbia were borne on the rolls of the Grand Encampment. In the fall of 1895 the five Commanderies, believing that their interests would be better served by a governing body of their own creation, voted to form a Grand Commandery, and through their representatives petitioned Most Eminent Grand Master Warren LaRue Thomas for a warrant for that purpose, which was issued December 2, 1895.

January 14, 1896, the seventy-first anniversary of the charter of Washington Encampment, the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of the District of Columbia was constituted, Grand Master Thomas presiding over the ceremonies and installing the officers. The veteran Noble D. Larner, who had received all the honors of Masonry that could be conferred in the District of Columbia, and had presided over the General Grand Chapter of the United States, was chosen the first Grand Commander, and has been succeeded in the office in turn by Sirs Frank H. Thomas, Rezin W. Darby, Eldred G. Davis, Wm. T. Galliher, Harrison Dingman and George Gibson. The officers of the current year are as follows: George Gibson, Grand Commander; George E. Corson, Deputy Grand Commander; Alex McKenzie, Grand Generalissimo; Andrew W. Kelley, Grand Captain General; Bennett A. Allen, Grand Senior Warden; Wm. F. Hunt, Grand Junior Warden; Henry K. Simpson, Grand Prelate; Edward H. Chamberlin, Grand Treasurer; Arvine W. Johnston, Grand Recorder; Geo. H. Walker, Grand Standard Bearer; Thos. P. Morgan, Grand Sword Bearer; Wm. H. H. Cissel, Grand Warden; Walter F. Klopfer, Grand Captain of the Guard.

In the organization of the Grand Commandery the Commanderies enjoy the benefits of "home rule," which is unknown in the political government of the District of Colum-

bia. Remote from the Grand Encampment, the Commanderies legislated for themselves, with the result that there was lack of uniformity in their regulations, and sometimes a misconstruction of the Constitution and Statutes. But under the supervision of the Grand Commandery the constituent bodies have been brought into closer relations with each other, uniformity of dress and equipments has been established, inspections have been instituted, and the regulations of the Grand Encampment have been rightly construed and enforced. According to date of organization the Grand Commandery is No. 42, or next to the last, on the register of the Grand Encampment, but in the number of Sir Knights returned (1,497) it stands No. 24, and in the average membership of Commanderies (299) it is No. 1. The growth of Templar Masonry from 14 Sir Knights under Grand Commander Nicholas Blasdell in 1825 to 1497 Sir Knights under Grand Commander George Gibson in 1901, has kept pace with the growth of Washington from the straggling village of Monroe's day to the magnificent city of McKinley's. The splendid possibilities of the expansion of the Order in the future are beyond calculation.

The present (1901) Grand Officers are:

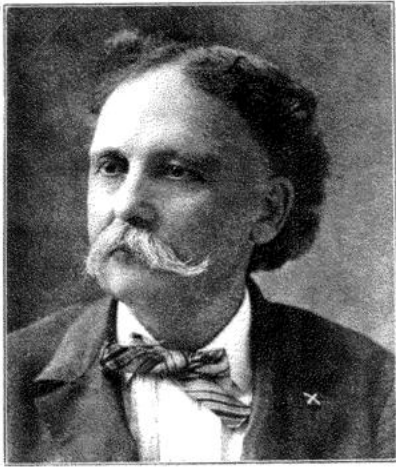
- R. E. Sir Knight George Gibson, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight George E. Corson, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight Alexander McKenzie, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Andrew W. Kelley, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight Bennett A. Allen, Grand Senior Warden.
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- E. Sir Knight William H. H. Cissel, Grand Warder.
- E. Sir Knight Walter H. Klopfer, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

- Noble D. Larner, Washington, D. C.
- Frank H. Thomas, Washington, D. C.
- Rezin W. Darby, Washington, D. C.
- Eldred G. Davis, Washington, D. C.
- William T. Gallher, Washington, D. C.
- Harrison Dingman, Washington, D. C.

District of Columbia Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

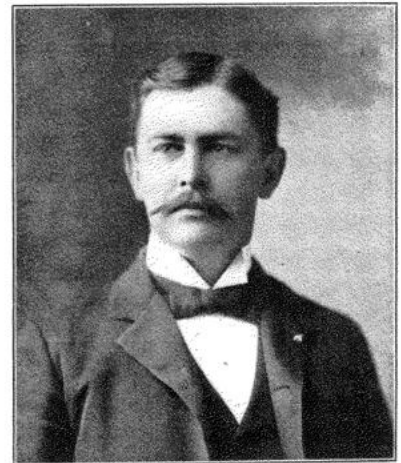
Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
477	1	WASHINGTON	Washington, D. C.,	Jos. A. Oliver	Henry S. Merrill
565	2	COLUMBIA	Washington, D. C.,	John J. Harrower	Stephen M. Ryder
94	3	POTOMAC	Washington, D. C.,	William S. Waddy	Adolphus B. Bennett
225	4	DEMOLAY	Washington, D. C.,	Robert Cook	Chas. L. Patten
136	5	ORIENT	Washington, D. C.,	Francis J. Woodman	W. Harry Olcott
1497					



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM H. JEWELL.
Grand Commander 1898-99—Past Commander and
Recorder Olivet Commandery No. 4—Orlando.



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM S. WARE.
Grand Commander 1901-1902—Past Commander
Damascus Commandery No. 2—Jacksonville.



R. EM. SIR WARREN TYLER.
Grand Commander 1900-01—Elected Grand Treas-
urer 1901—Past Commander Plant City Com-
mandery No. 6—Bartow.

FLORIDA—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.
COMMANDERIES: OLIVET NO. 4, ORLANDO; DAMASCUS NO. 2, JACKSONVILLE; PLANT CITY NO. 6, PLANT CITY.

The Order of the Temple in Florida.

By
William B. Jewell,
Past
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of the
Grand Commandery
of Florida.

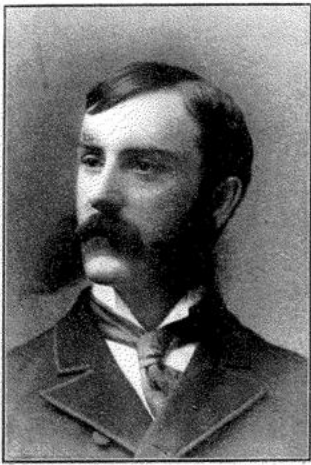
PROBABLY the first time the orders of the Red Cross and Knight Templar were conferred on American soil (1783) the work, though done in Charleston, S. C., was done under the warrant of a Florida Blue Lodge, or at least, one which had its origin in Florida, namely, St. Andrew's Lodge No. 1, established at Pensacola, Florida, by James Grant, then Provincial Grand Master of Masonry for the Southern District of North America. At the close of the Revolution Florida came again under the dominion of Spain and many of the English residents of Pensacola left there and moved to Charleston. It appears that St. Andrew's Lodge was moved there as well, and the work referred to was done, it seems immediately or very soon after this removal took place.

But notwithstanding we may not strictly claim this early date of 1783 as the beginning of the Order of Knights Templar in Florida, yet the triennial year of 1901 should have a peculiar significance for the Sir Knights of this Peninsular State, because just fifty years will have passed since the date of the first dispensation issued to form a Commandery of this Order in Florida. On March 17, 1851, "General Grand Master" William B. Hubbard issued a dispensation to form and open DeMolay Commandery at Quincy, Florida. Of this Commandery we have but little knowledge. We learn that it lost its meeting place by fire shortly after its organization and there being, it appeared, no other suitable place in Quincy, the General Grand Master, on December 31, 1851, authorized Most Eminent Jean H. Verdier as "Grand Commander" of

DeMolay, to "open at Tallahassee and from time to time to open and hold their encampment at that place until suitable rooms could be prepared at Quincy, or until further order in the premises." At the Triennial Conclave of 1853 this dispensation was continued until the next Grand Conclave. And, again, in 1857, the dispensation was further continued to the Triennial Conclave of 1859. Returns appear from DeMolay to August 1, 1858, but when it ceased to exist we know not. There is no record of its receiving a charter. Probably the breaking out of the war ended its existence.

The next historical record of our Order in this State dates December 17, 1863. The Grand Commandery of Virginia, which had withdrawn from its allegiance to the Grand Encampment during the war, granted a charter (there is no mention of a dispensation) to a Commandery at Lake City, known as Lemienus Commandery No. 13. This charter was granted to Edward R. Ives, as "Most Eminent Grand Commander," Robert B. Thomas, Generalissimo, and J. H. Verdier, Captain Generalissimo (probably the same Sir Knight named in the dispensation of December 31, 1851), to DeMolay Commandery. Returns of this Commandery to the Grand Commandery of Virginia for 1863 show a membership of thirty-nine, and returns of 1864 show a membership of thirty-four. Although no further returns appear there is evidence that Lemienus Commandery was working as late as July, 1868, and in 1870 six of its Sir Knights were among the petitioners for a dispensation to form a Commandery at Jacksonville.

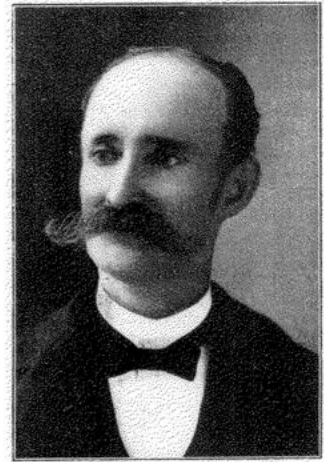
On June 20, 1868, Grand Master Henry L. Palmer granted a dispensation to Wm. Merrill as Eminent Commander; A. F. Clapp as Generalissimo, and Joseph B. Vaughan and others, to form a Commandery at Warrington, Florida, to be known



R. EM. SIR WILBER P. WEBSTER.
Grand Recorder—Grand Commander 1896-97—
Damascus Commandery No. 2—Jacksonville.



SIR KT. HARRY W. GIBBS.
Recorder Coeur de Lion No. 1—Pensacola.



V. EM. SIR BINGHAM H. CHADWICK.
Deputy Grand Commander 1901-02—Past Com-
mander Damascus Commandery No. 2—
Jacksonville.

FLORIDA—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: DAMASCUS NO. 2, JACKSONVILLE;
COEUR DE LION NO. 1, PENSACOLA.

as Coeur de Lion Commandery. The number first assigned it was No. 2, but its number appears as No. 1 and it has since so ranked. The first Conclave was held on September 1, 1868, when an organization was effected. The Sir Knights were ably assisted in this work by Sir Geo. W. Melville, the distinguished Chief Engineer of the United States Navy. This dispensation was renewed at the Triennial Conclave at St. Louis in that year with authority given to "one of the first four officers," to issue a charter, which was subsequently done and the Commandery duly constituted on January 1, 1869. This work was done and the officers installed by that Right Eminent Sir Knight J. Q. A. Fellows, then Deputy Grand Master and afterwards Grand Master, but who after loyal service for many years has passed to the heavenly reward that await the valiant Templar.

December 23, 1878, Coeur de Lion received a dispensation permitting it to move to Pensacola, where it has since been stationed. Two of its original officers are yet living, Sir Hugh Simons, at Washington, and Sir Chas. McK. Oerting, now the Recorder.

For many years from 1880 this Commandery had a hard time to maintain its existence as many of its members were in the army and navy and thus absent much of the time, but since 1894, it has been doing excellent work. Its present officers are: Gustave Eitzen, Eminent Commander; T. W. Kessler, Generalissimo; Jos. R. Kellar, Captain General; Chas. McK. Oerting, Recorder. Its present membership is twenty-nine.

May 18, 1870, a dispensation was granted by the Most Eminent Grand Master (approved and indorsed by Coeur de Lion) to Damon Greenleaf, John S. Driggs, Wm. Grothe, J. N. Haddock, Geo. R. Jones, E. M. L'Engle, J. D. Mitchell, G. A. Peck, B. Kilbourn, Theo. J. McCarthy, and David Jones, to form and open Damascus No. 2 at Jacksonville, naming the first three as the principal officers. Of these Sir Knights six, namely, Driggs, Grothe, McCarthy, Haddock and the two Jones were from Lemienus Commandery, having been

"healed" by a special dispensation from Most Eminent Grand Master Wm. Sewell Gardner. Damascus received a charter September 21, 1871, and was soon thereafter constituted and has since been the leading Commandery in this State. It lost its Asylum, paraphernalia and most of its uniforms by fire a few years, but is now handsomely and conveniently located in the new Masonic Temple and is in fine working order. Its membership by last returns is seventy-nine. Its present officers, John H. Norton, Eminent Commander; Thos. G. Hutchinson, Generalissimo; C. S. Hammatt, Captain General; Wm. Sansdell, Recorder.

December 26, 1871, the Grand Master granted a dispensation to Sirs Chas. S. Baron as Eminent Commander; Geo. L. Mead, as Generalissimo, and Geo. K. Darlin, as Captain General to form and open a Commandery at Key West to be known as Baron Commandery No. 3. A charter was not granted until 1874, and the Commandery was duly constituted and its officers installed on May 14th, the following year, by Chas. S. Baron, its Eminent Commander as proxy for the Grand Master.

This Commandery appears to have had a constant struggle for existence. Its last return to the Grand Encampment, dated May 9, 1894, shows a membership of twenty-three. Since that date it has been dormant, but the Grand Commandery now in Florida hopes to revive it, no steps having been taken to forfeit its charter. Now occurs a long interval before another Commandery is formed. On March 19, 1887, sixteen years after, a dispensation was issued to form and open Olivet Commandery No. 4, at Orlando, naming Sir Chas. Henry Munger as Eminent Commander; Sir Geo. Curtis Chittenden as Generalissimo, and Sir Wm. H. Reynolds as Captain General. The roster of that year showed sixteen members, increased by the next year to thirty-six. Its charter is dated October 10, 1889, and on December 13, 1889, it was duly constituted by Eminent Sir Wm. A. McLean, of Damascus Commandery, as proxy for Most Eminent Grand Master Gobin. Its first elected officers, Sirs Wm. Henry Jewell, Emi-

nent Commander; Mahlon Gore, Generalissimo; Chas. O. Myers, Captain General, and W. F. Barnes, Recorder, were duly installed. Since organization it has conferred the orders upon eighty-two candidates, but owing to heavy losses by removals, its membership now is fifty-two. Its present officers are Sirs John Carolyn Jones, Eminent Commander; Silas B. Wright, Generalissimo; Louis C. Massey, Captain General, and Wm. H. Jewell, Recorder.

Under a dispensation dated February 21, 1893, a Commandery known as Palatka No. 5 was formed and opened at that place with Elmer E. Haskell as Eminent Commander; Lewis Hendrickson as Generalissimo, and Robert Barnes as Captain General, with a membership in its report to Grand Encampment of that year of twenty-nine. On the organization of a Grand Commandery in Florida in 1895, it applied for a charter and on August 15th received it and was duly constituted thereunder. Its returns for that year show a membership of thirty-four, which is its present number. Its present officers are James Carnell, Eminent Commander; Wm. H. Cyrus, Generalissimo; Walter Thomas, Captain General, and Theo. B. Anderson, Recorder.

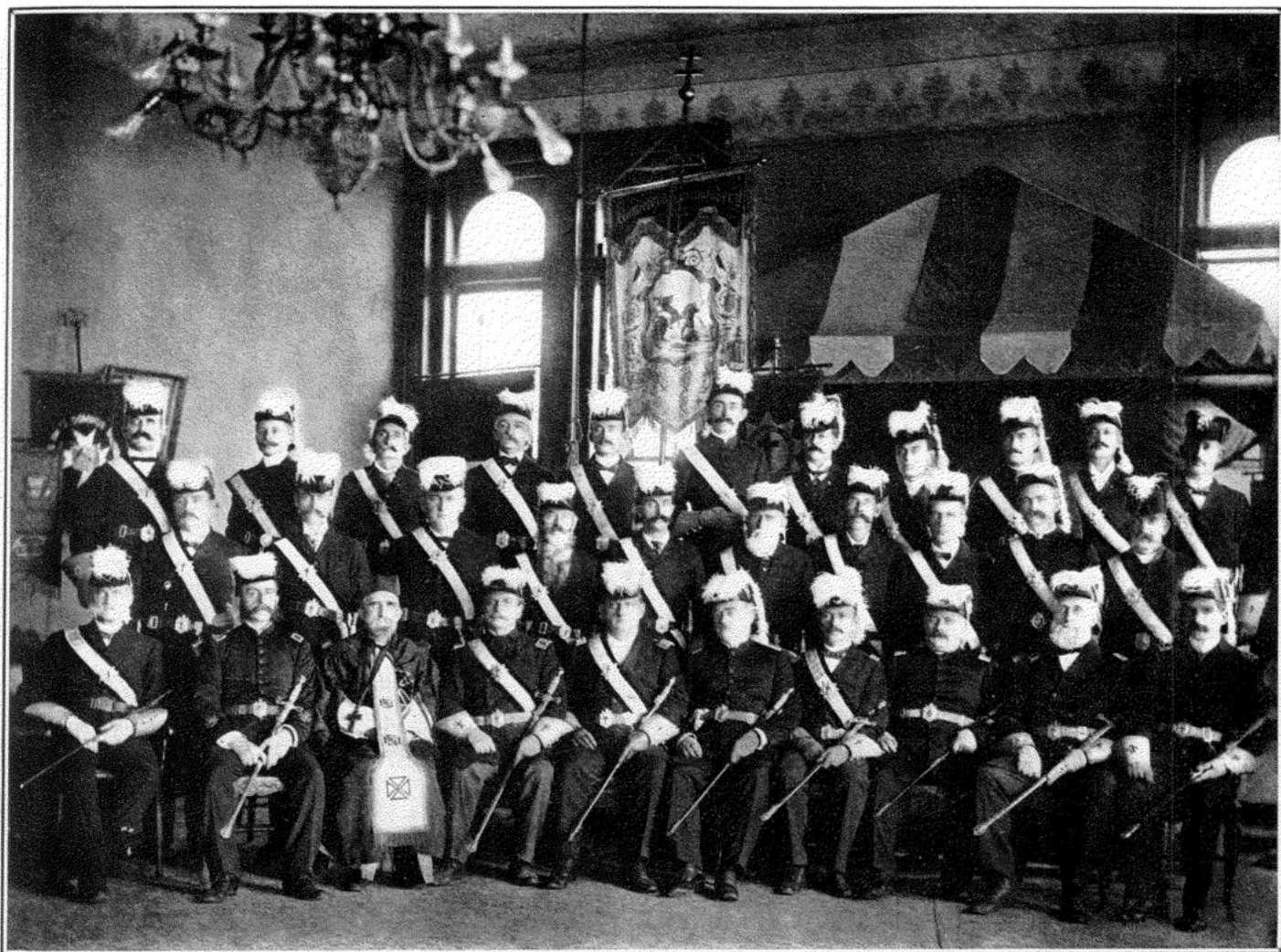
Plant City Commandery No. 6 was formed and opened in 1895 by virtue of a dispensation from Grand Master McCurdy, dated March 10th of that year, naming Jas. W. Boyd as Eminent Commander; Olin S. Wright as Generalissimo, and Monroe D. Cushing as Captain General. This Commandery was duly constituted and its officers installed under a charter from the then newly organized Grand Commandery of Florida, dated August 15, 1895, its first officers being Sirs Warren Tyler, Eminent Commander; James L. Young, Generalissimo; Wm. B. Bonacker, Captain General, and Olin S. Wright, Recorder. Its first report showed a membership of twenty-one, which grew to twenty-nine before the close of the year, and its roster now shows thirty-nine. It has conferred the orders upon fifty. Twenty of its Sir Knights went from it to form a Commandery at Tampa.

On August 15, 1895, the Grand Commandery of Florida was

organized by Eminent Sir Wm. A. McLean, of Damascus Commandery as proxy for Most Eminent Grand Master Hugh McCurdy, its constituents being the only three chartered and working Commanderies in the State, Coeur de Lion No. 1, Damascus No. 2, and Olivet No. 4. The first Grand Commander was Right Eminent Sir Wm. McLean, with Very Eminent Sir Chas. McKenzie Oerting as Deputy Grand Commander; Eminent Sir Wilbur P. Webster, Grand Generalissimo; Eminent Sir James W. Boyd, Grand Captain General; Eminent Sir John D. Sinclair, Grand Recorder. From the date of its organization the Grand Commandery has had a stimulating influence upon the Order in Florida. It granted two charters at its First Grand Conclave, as already mentioned.

On September 28, 1898, Grand Commander Wm. H. Jewell issued his dispensation to form a Commandery at Tampa, to be known as Ivanhoe Commandery, with Monroe D. Cushing as Eminent Commander, Herbert E. Jacobs as Generalissimo, and D. F. Conoly as Captain General.

On May 9, 1899, the same Grand Officer issued his dispensation to form a Commandery at Gainesville, to be known as Pilgrim Commandery, with A. M. Cushman as Eminent Commander; Geo. W. Hyde as Generalissimo, and Chas. J. Joseph as Captain General. Charters were granted to both at the Grand Conclave of 1899, naming Pilgrim as No. 7, and Ivanhoe as No. 8. Right Eminent Grand Commander Elmer E. Haskell soon after constituted Pilgrim Commandery and installed its officers as named above with Robert McClellan as Recorder. This Commandery commenced with fourteen members, but its roster now shows forty-three. Its present officers are: Geo. W. Hyde, Eminent Commander; Irving E. Webster, Generalissimo; A. P. Morrow, Captain General; Robert McClellan, Recorder. On November 24, 1899, Deputy Grand Commander Warren Tyler constituted Ivanhoe Commandery with its officers as follows: M. D. Cushing, Eminent Commander; H. E. Jacobs, Generalissimo; Melville W. Carruth, Captain General; John C. White, Recorder. Its ros-



FLORIDA-DAMASCUS COMMANDERY NO. 2 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, JACKSONVILLE, FLA., IN THEIR ASYLUM.

ter shows a membership of thirty, sixteen having been knighted since its organization.

The Grand Commanders who have presided over the Grand Body are: Right Eminent Sirs Wm. A. McLean, 1895; Wilber P. Webster, 1896; James W. Boyd, 1897; Wm. H. Jewell, 1898; and Elmer E. Haskell, 1899. The present Grand Commander is Sir Warren Tyler; Wm. S. Ware, Deputy Grand Commander; Bingham H. Chadwick, Grand Generalissimo; Olin S. Wright, Grand Captain General; Otis L. Keene Grand Senior Warden; James Carnell, Grand Junior Warden; Irving E. Webster, Grand Prelate; Irving E. Baird, Grand Treasurer; Wilber P. Webster, Grand Recorder.

The present (1901) Grand Officers are:

R. E. Sir Knight William S. Ware, Jacksonville, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Bingham H. Chadwick, Jacksonville, Deputy Grand Commander.

E. Sir Knight Olin S. Wright, Plant City, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight Otis L. Keene, Jacksonville, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight James Carnell, Ormond, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight John N. Bradshaw, Orlando, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Irving E. Webster, Gainesville, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight Warren Tyler, Bartow, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Monroe D. Cushing, Tampa, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Silas B. Wright, DeLand, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Alonzo M. Cushman, Gainesville, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight Joseph R. Keller, Pensacola, Grand Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

William A. McLean, Jacksonville. William H. Jewell, Orlando.
 Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville. Elmer F. Haskell, Palatka.
 James W. Boyd, Bartow. Warren Tyler, Bartow.

*Florida Commanderies, *Commanders, *Recorders and Membership, 1901.*

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
29	1	COEUR DE LION	Pensacola	Gustav Eitzen	H. W. Gibbs
79	2	DAMASCUS	Jacksonville	Thos. G. Hutchinson	Wm. Lansdell
52	4	OLIVET	Orlando	Silas B. Wright	Wm. H. Jewell
34	5	PALATKA	Palatka	Fred C. Cochrane	Elmer E. Haskell
39	6	PLANT CITY	Plant City	Wm. Bostard Bonacker	Olin S. Wright
43	7	PILGRIM	Gainesville	Irving E. Webster	A. M. Cushman
33	8	IVANHOE	Tampa	M. D. Cushing	John C. White
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*Elected since preceding history was written.

The Order of the Temple in Georgia.

By
**William S.
 Rockwell,**
 Grand Recorder and
 Past Grand Com-
 mander of the Grand
 Commandery of
 Georgia.

THE first organized body of Knights Templar in Georgia was had in Augusta, when Georgia Commandery No. 1 was constituted under a charter dated May 20, 1823, with the following members: James C. Winter, Commander; David Clarke, Generalissimo; John P. Andrews, Captain General. Richard Perry, Burkett D. Thompson, Joseph Clem, Milton Anthony, Jno. W. Wilde, Allen Craige, John C. Holcombe, L. H. Marks. No further progress was made until 1850, when St. Omer Commandery No. 2 of Marion was constituted under charter, dated September 17, 1850, with William S. Rockwell, Commander; Phillip T. Schley, Generalissimo; Robt. L. Roddey, Captain General.

After a period of nine years, followed in succession, St. Aldemar No. 3, Columbus, 1859; Coeur de Lion No. 4, Atlanta, 1859; DeMolay No. 5, Americus, 1860; Wm. Tracy Gould No. 6, Forsythe, 1866; Palestine No. 7, Savannah, 1867; Rome No. 8, Rome, 1888; Atlanta No. 9, Atlanta, 1894; Ivanhoe No. 10, Fort Valley, 1894; Tancred No. 77, Newman, 1900. There was at one time, and for some years, a Commandery at Albany, Ga., called Tancred No. 8, but this Commandery forfeited its charter some time previous to the organization of Rome Commandery, which succeeded to the vacant number.

The Grand Commandery of Georgia was constituted April 25, 1860, in Augusta, under warrant from the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, dated December 12, 1859, with officers as follows: Wm. Tracy Gould, Grand Commander; Wm. S. Rockwell, Deputy Grand Commander; Wm. W. Boyd, Grand Generalissimo; Jas. M. Bivins, Grand Captain General; Rev. Lewis Lawshe, Grand Prelate; Geo. S.

Obear, Grand Senior Warden; Benj. B. Russell, Grand Junior Warden; Phillip Gettinger, Grand Treasurer; Chas. R. Armstrong, Grand Recorder; Chris F. Lewis, Grand Warder.

The only survivor of these pioneers of Templarism in Georgia is Eminent Sir Chris F. Lewis, of Augusta. This Grand Jurisdiction has fourteen living Past Grand Commanders.

The tabular statement made at the last Annual Conclave, 8th and 9th of this month (May), gives the jurisdiction a membership of 855, being a net increase over last year of 66.

While the growth of the Order in Georgia has been by no means rapid, yet it has been substantial and only in one instance has a Commandery become extinct or inactive. The outlook for the future is bright and there is every reason to believe that this jurisdiction will continue steadily to advance in numbers and influence, and while we adhere closely to the precepts and follow in the footsteps of those illustrious Knights of the Temple, who planted the standard of the Order in this State, and so valiantly upheld it, we can not fail to maintain our position on the high plane of integrity and morality, where the Order naturally belongs and where it must always exist, if it continue to exist at all.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901-02

R. E. Sir Knight Ernest A. Cutts, Savannah, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Frank O. Miller, Fort Valley, Dp. Gr. Commander.
 E. Sir Knight Geo. B. Whiteside, Columbus, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight Wm. Schweigert, Augusta, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight Robt. B. Barron, Macon, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight John J. Seay, Rome, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight James Y. Fair, Savannah, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight Robt. H. Smith, Macon, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Wm. S. Rockwell, Savannah, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Geo. H. Fields, Americus, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight John R. Dickey, Atlanta, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Luther P. Stephens, Atlanta, Grand Warder.



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM S. ROCKWELL.
Grand Recorder—Grand Commander 1881-82—Savannah.

GEORGIA—GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*William T. Gould.	Charles T. Watson.
*Thomas W. Chandler.	James L. Fleming.
*George S. Obear	*Azariah G. Howard.
*Allen S. Cutts.	Richard J. Nunn.
*William H. Tuller.	*George W. McElhaney.
*Samuel P. Hamilton.	Washington P. Baldwin.
*George T. Anderson.	Park Woodward.
*Thomas Hardeman, Jr.	Joseph K. Orr.
*William J. Pollard.	William H. Fleming.
*Charles R. Armstrong.	Charles M. Wiley.
*William D. Luckie.	Almeron W. Walton.
William S. Rockwell.	Julius L. Brown.
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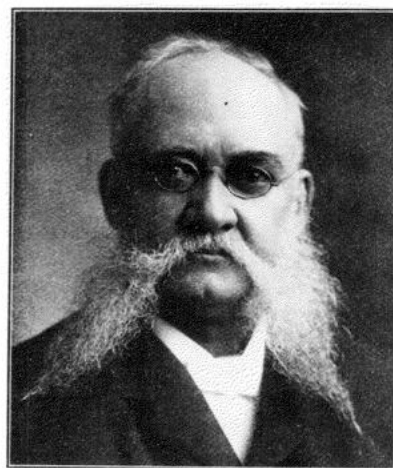
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Georgia Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
82	1	GEORGIA	Augusta	Wm. E. Keener	Henry A. Brahe
123	2	ST. OMER	Macon	C. E. Damour	George A. Dure
34	3	ST. ALDEMAR	Columbus	R. J. Hunter	C. R. Russell
182	4	COEUR DE LION	Atlanta	A. P. Tripod	Wm. O. Stumps
46	5	DEMOLAY	Americus	Geo. H. Fields	R. G. Olver
30	6	WM. TRACY GOULD	Forsyth	Jno. O. Ponder	Cyrus Sharp, Jr.
117	7	PALESTINE	Savannah	Robert L. Colding	Wm. S. Rockwell
92	8	ROME	Rome	J. N. King	B. F. Clark
74	9	ATLANTA	Atlanta	Jos. C. Greenfield	Virgil Jones
22	10	IVANHOE	Fort Valley	S. C. Floyd	J. D. Marshall
53	11	TANCRED	Newnan	M. Salbide	Wm. M. Glass
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R. EM. SIR CHARLES PHILO KANE, 32°
Grand Commander 1900-01—Springfield.



EM. SIR GILBERT W. BARNARD, 32°
Grand Recorder—Chicago.

ILLINOIS—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in Illinois.

By
Gil. W. Barnard,
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery of
Illinois.

IN reviewing the proceedings of the Grand Encampment we find that at the session held September, 1847, the Deputy General Grand Master, Most Eminent Sir Joseph K. Stapleton, reported "that since the Triennial Session in 1844, he had issued dispensations among others for Apollo Encampment No. 1, at Chicago, Illinois.

At the same session it was voted "That charters be issued to Apollo Encampment No. 1 at Chicago, Illinois (and others) so soon as they comply with the requirements of the General Grand Encampment, make the necessary returns to the Grand Recorder and settle all dues."

At the session of 1850, held in Boston, Apollo No. 1 was represented by John R. Case, Grand Commander.

In September, 1853, Grand Master W. B. Hubbard reported that he had on the 25th day of March, 1853, granted a warrant of dispensation to Belvidere Encampment, at Alton, Illinois, and on the register of that year appears "Belvidere Encampment No. 2 at Alton."

The same Grand Master reported at the session of 1856 that "on July 22, 1856, a warrant of dispensation was granted for Centre Encampment at Decatur, Illinois," and that on the 25th of the same month and year one had been issued for Peoria Encampment, at Peoria, Illinois.

A charter was voted to the latter September 15, 1856. At this session (1856) Sir Knight Ira A. W. Buck, of Illinois, was elected Grand Warder of the Grand Encampment.

In the register of the proceedings we find at No. 86 "Freeport Encampment No. 5, in Illinois, organized June 10, 1857." This encampment received a charter from the Grand Encampment September 16, 1859.

FROM THE RECORDS.

PROCEEDINGS.

Chicago, Ill., October 27, 1857.

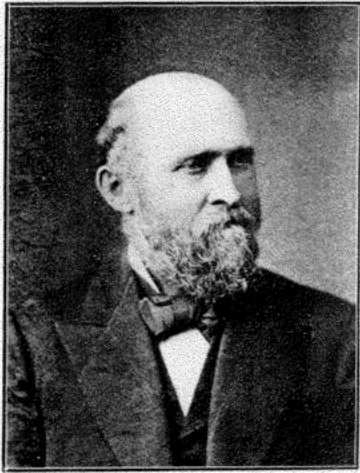
At a convention of Knights Templar, convened in the Masonic Temple, in this city, on Tuesday, the 27th day of October, A. D., 1857, A. O. 739, at 10 o'clock, a. m. agreeably to a call of the several Commanderies of the State, for the purpose of forming a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, for the State of Illinois, by order of Most Eminent Sir William Blackstone Hubbard, Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States of America, a Commandery of Knights Templar was opened in ample form.

The objects of the meeting of the delegates of the various Commanderies having been stated by Eminent Commander Hosmer A. Johnson, the warrant from Most Eminent Sir Wm. B. Hubbard, Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States of America, was read, to-wit:

Office of the Grand Master of Knights
Templar of the United States of America.

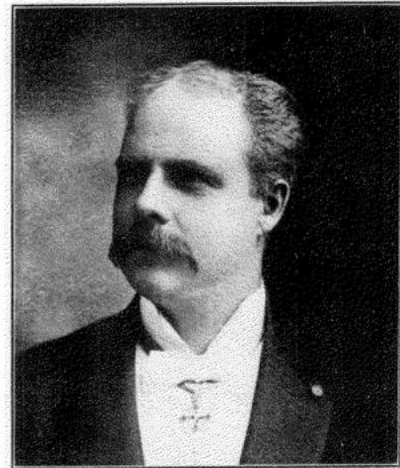
To all True and Courteous Knights of our Order:

Know ye, that, whereas, there are now established and existing three Commanderies in the State of Illinois, holding their authority from the Grand Encampment of the United States, and working under its jurisdiction, to-wit: Apollo Commandery No. 1, Belvidere Commandery No. 2, Peoria Commandery No. 3 (and No. 4 not applying)



R. EM. SIR LOYAL L. MUNN.

Grand Commander 1882—Grand High Priest 1866—President Order of High Priesthood Illinois—Grand Secretary Grand Lodge F. & A. M. for thirteen years—Freeport Commandery No. 7 K. T.—Freeport.



V. EM. SIR GEORGE M. MOULTON.

Grand Commander 1889—Deputy Grand Master Grand Encampment U. S. A., elected 1901—Chicago.

ILLINOIS—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

And, whereas, On behalf of those several Commanderies, it has been duly certified to me, that they are desirous to form, hold, and maintain a Grand Commandery in and for the said State of Illinois, subordinate to the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, therefore, I, W. B. Hubbard, Grand Master, as aforesaid, being satisfied that such request is reasonable and proper, by virtue of the high powers in me vested, and in accordance with the Constitution and Rules of our Order, do hereby authorize and empower the aforesaid Commanderies Nos. 1, 2, 3 (and 4, if applying), in due order, to meet at such time and place as they may agree upon, and form a State Grand Commandery in and for the said State of Illinois, subordinate to our Grand Encampment, such State Grand Commandery when so formed, making due return and report to me of all their official doings and proceedings in the premises, and making a like return to our Very Eminent Grand Recorder. And for all of their doings, in accordance with the rules and usages of our Order, in forming such State Grand Commandery, this shall be their warrant.

Given under my hand and seal, at the City of Columbus, this 15th day of September, 1857, A. O. 739.

W. B. HUBBARD, G. M.

On motion, Sir Knights W. H. Turner, of Belvidere Commandery No. 2, Thomas Shirley of Apollo Commandery No. 1 and Henry L. Gaines, of Peoria Commandery No. 3, were appointed a Committee on Credentials, who made the following report:

The undersigned Committee on Credentials reported the following knights entitled to seats, as representatives from the several Commanderies, viz.:

From Apollo Commandery, No. 1:

Sir James V. Z. Blaney, Past Commander.
 Sir John R. Case, Past Commander.
 Sir Reuben Taylor, Past Commander.
 Sir Thomas Shirley, Past Commander.
 Sir Hosmer A. Johnson, Commander.
 Sir Charles R. Starkweather, Generalissimo.
 Sir Robert H. Foss, Captain-General.

From Belvidere Commandery No. 2:

Sir Wm. H. Turner, Past Commander.
 Sir Benjamin F. Barry, Proxy for Commander.
 Sir Dewitt C. Martin, Generalissimo.

From Peoria Commandery No. 3:

Sir Clark B. Stebbins, Past Commander.
 Sir Henry L. Gaines, Commander.
 Sir Thomas A. H. Smyth, Proxy for Captain-General.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. H. TURNER,
 THOS. SHIRLEY,
 H. L. GAINES,
Committee.

On motion of Sir Knight Wm. H. Turner, it was unanimously

Resolved, That we now proceed to a formation of a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar for the State of Illinois.

On motion, Sir Wm. H. Turner, Hosmer A. Johnson, and Henry L. Gaines were appointed a committee to draft a constitution.

On motion, adjourned until 3 o'clock p. m.

Tuesday, October 27.

Met pursuant to adjournment, officers and visitors present as in the morning.

The Committee on the Constitution made its report, which was read by sections and adopted.

Thus was the Grand Commandery of Illinois organized.

At that date there were two Commanderies in the State acting under "warrants of dispensation" from the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, viz.: Central at Decatur and the one at Freeport.

A constitution and form of by-laws was adopted in which the place for holding the future Conclaves was fixed as follows: "In the year 1858, in the city of Alton, Madison county in the year 1859, in the city of Peoria, and thereafter permanently in the city of Chicago.

Sir H. A. Johnson installed Right Eminent Sir James V.

Z. Blaney as Grand Commander and Sir Blaney installed the other officers, Sir Henry C. Ranney acting as Grand Marshal and making the following proclamation:

"That the Constitution of the Grand Commandery of the State of Illinois was adopted, and that the officers of said Grand Commandery were elected and qualified." Right Eminent Sir Henry C. Ranney has continued his services in the organization thus begun, with remarkable perseverance, energy and earnestness of purpose, and is to-day the only one living of those who participated in the organization. The printed proceedings of this Conclave close as follows:

Office of the Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States,
Columbus, December 30, 1857, A. O. 739.

The foregoing proceedings, with the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Illinois, have been by me examined, corrected and approved.
W. B. HUBBARD, G. M.

The Second Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held in the city of Alton, the 26th day of October, 1858; Representatives from three Commanderies were present. Acting as Grand Prelate we find Rev. Sir Knight James DeWitt Clinton Locke, the first Knight Templar created under the first dispensation to form and open a Commandery, issued by the Right Eminent Grand Commander of Illinois, and consequently the first Knight Templar created by Joliet Commandery, so well known as Rev. Clinton Locke, Past Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment, United States of America.

The annual address of Right Eminent Sir James V. Z. Blaney is a document every way worthy of the man, who was himself a giant among the intellectual men of the day. He reports the approval by the Grand Master of the formation of this Grand Commandery. Two dispensations to form new Commanderies had been granted, viz., at Joliet and Morris, both of whom he says were organized under the most flattering circumstances.

Right Eminent Sir Hosmer A. Johnson presented to the Grand Commandery a piece of the celebrated Charter Oak, received from the Hon Isaac W. Stewart, of Hartford, Conn.

This was subsequently formed into a Patriarchal Cross for the use of the Grand Commanders as a Jewel of Office, and still remains in the Archives.

That interminable question "Uniform," went to a committee and still lives.

Pursuant to a resolution adopted at the Annual in 1858, the Grand Commandery assembled in Special Conclave in the Masonic Temple in the city of Chicago on the 12th day of September, 1859, representatives of five Commanderies and Harmon G. Reynolds as Commander of Illinois Commandery U. D. at Springfield being present. The immediate object of the Special Conclave was to assist in entertaining the members of the Grand Encampment U. S. A., which met in Chicago at that time.

The proceedings contain a list of the visitors present. In glancing over this list, the history of Freemasonry in its various branches for sixty years or more is brought to mind, for we find the names of those who were then old in the service, and have since gone from this field of labor forever. We also see the names of those who, then young in the service, have since done much to mould the character and promote the great and noble features of our institution. Edward P. Burnham, of Maine, Winslow Lewis and John McClellan, of Massachusetts, E. S. Barnum, Z. C. Priest and J. M. Austin, of New York, A. O'Sullivan, of Missouri, Giles M. Hilliar, of Mississippi, are names that bear testimony to the strength of the great Masonic tie. The works of those who have gone live after them, and those who remain work still.

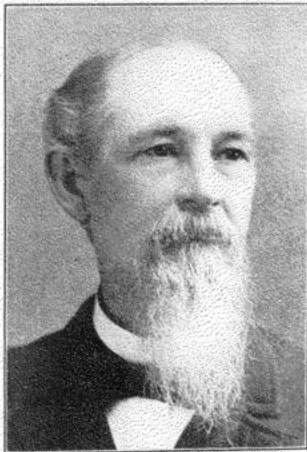
On the 25th day of October, 1859, the Third Annual Conclave assembled in the city of Peoria. Five Commanderies represented. The Grand Commander reported dispensations granted for new Commanderies at Galesburg and Springfield. The Grand Commander refers to the recent session of the



R. EM. SIR CHARLES PHILO KANE.
Grand Commander—Past Commander Elwood Commandery No. 6—
Springfield.



EM. SIR ALBERT F. SCHOCH.
Grand Sword Bearer—Part Commander Ottawa Commandery No. 10—
Ottawa.



EM. SIR JAMES W. SPAIN.
Em. Commander Gorin Commandery No. 14 K. T.—Olney.



EM. SIR SAMUEL R. STEWART.
Em. Commander Hospitaler Commandery No. 31 K. T.—Jacksonville.

ILLINOIS—GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: ELWOOD NO. 6, SPRINGFIELD;
OTTAWA NO. 10, OTTAWA; GORIN NO. 14 OLNEY' HOSPITALER NO. 31, JACKSONVILLE.

Grand Encampment, and expresses satisfaction with the business accomplished.

He says: "One important matter which it is hoped is determined for all time, is the subject of costume and jewels." Further on is a description of the costume adopted. We quote two of the principal features of it to show how far it was from "being settled for all time." "A white surcoat or tunic, made without sleeves over a black coat," "white merino cloak worn over left shoulder."

Then, as yet, the Templar drill was a vexed question, which it was hoped had been settled by Sir W. W. Mitchell, who had exemplified his tactics before the Grand Encampment.

The report of the "Committee of Arrangements" for entertaining the Grand Encampment showed a total collection of \$653, which amount paid all the bills. Oh, shades of 1880!

The following action was had: The Grand Recorder presented a letter just received from Sir L. W. Fletcher, of Freeport Commandery, at Freeport, and on motion of Sir Harmon G. Reynolds, it was

Resolved, That a charter be issued, without fee, to Freeport Commandery at Freeport, as Freeport Commandery No. 7, so soon as their charter from the Grand Encampment of the United States is surrendered.

The subject of granting a charter to Central Commandery U. D. at Decatur, having been referred by the Grand Encampment to this body, the Committee on Charters and Dispensation, reported adversely to granting one.

Subsequently it was voted to authorize the Grand Commander to issue a dispensation for a Commandery at Decatur, to a sufficient number of Sir Knights properly recommended.

Three hundred and ten was the total membership reported,

and this jurisdiction then ranked as the seventh in point of membership.

During the years 1861-2-3-4 the Civil War was prevailing and this Order gained but little in numbers, but in 1865, we take the following from the address of Right Eminent Sir N. F. Prentice at the Annual Conclave.

"We have at this time, Sir Knights, abundant reasons for returning renewed thanks to Almighty God for the preservation of our lives and that of our beloved country, through the last four years of carnage and blood. It is with great joy and gladness that I am able to say to you, from your Grand East, at this Annual Conclave, that peace, and not war, reigns supreme through the length and breadth of our country. She has come forth from the most terrible struggle for the maintenance of national life, known in the history of all times, and stands up before the world a nation of freemen, in fact, redeemed, regenerated, and disenthralled."

Four charters were granted, viz., 14, 15, 16, and 17; 723 members were reported; 190 having been created during the year.

Twice since State jurisdiction centered Templar Masonry in this grand body has it been the favored host of the Grand Encampment. In 1859, when the roof of one hostelry covered that Grand Body entire, and again in 1880, when the miles upon miles of knightly plumes and waving beauseants attested the presence of a Christian Order in army array.

At the Annual Conclave in 1867, five Commanderies were chartered and three each in 1868 and 1869. Five more were added in 1870, since which time the growth has been steadily increasing and to-day we have sixty-six Commanderies and nearly 10,000 members and ranking fourth among our sister Grand Commanderies.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1902.

R. E. Sir Knight Charles Philo Kane, Springfield, Grand Commander.
V. E. Sir Knight Frederick C. Winslow, Jacksonville, Deputy Grand Commander.

E. Sir Knight Hamer Herschel Green, Bloomington, Grand Generalissimo.

E. Sir Knight Holman Greene Purinton, Chicago, Grand Captain General.

E. Sir Knight Alonzo St. Clair Wilderman, Belleville, Grand Senior Warden.

E. Sir Knight George Edwin Ohara, Cairo, Grand Junior Warden.

E. Sir Knight Rev. Thomas A. Parker, Taylorville, Grand Prelate.

E. Sir Knight John Henry Witbeck, Chicago, Grand Treasurer.

E. Sir Knight Gilbert W. Barnard, Chicago, Grand Recorder.

E. Sir Knight Alfred A. Whipple, Quincy, Grand Standard Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Albert F. Schoch, Ottawa, Grand Sword Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Smyth Crooks, Chicago, Grand Warder.

E. Sir Knight William Lindsay Orr, Chicago, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*James V. Z. Blaney.

*Josiah Hunt.

*Hosmer A. Johnson.

*George W. Deering.

*William H. Turner.

*Nathan F. Prentice.

Henry C. Ranney.

*George C. Lanphere.

*Vincent L. Hurlbut.

*Jerome R. Gorin.

*Charles E. Munger.

John M. Pearson.

Wiley M. Egan.

*Daniel Dustin.

*James A. Hawley.

*Hiram W. Hubbard.

*Theodore T. Gurney.

Philander W. Barclay.

John F. Nash.

Robert L. McKinley.

Charles M. Morse.

John C. Smith.

Loyal L. Munn.

Henry Turner.

James G. Elwood.

Haswell C. Clarke.

John L. White.

Wilbur F. Bhomfield.

Edward S. Mulliner.

*Norman T. Gassette.

George M. Moulton.

Joseph E. Dyas.

Sylvester O. Spring.

Charles G. Mac.

Harvey M. Hall.

Henry H. Montgomery.

Augustus L. Webster.

Edward C. Pace.

James P. Sherwin.

George W. Curtiss.

James B. McFatrigh.

Charles P. Kane.

*DECEASED.

Illinois Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
724	1	APOLLO	Chicago	Clayton O. Billow	Franklin Hulburd
62	2	BELVIDERE	Alton	Hosea B. Sparks	John T. McClure
270	3	PEORIA	Peoria	Chas. E. Fulks	Geo. F. Henthorne
166	4	JOLIET	Joliet	Frederick W. Werner	John B. Pithian
131	5	BLANEY	Morris	Morris K. Magner	Edward L. Lott
198	6	ELWOOD	Springfield	Henry B. Henkel	Charles E. Opel
154	7	FREEPORT	Freeport	Walter C. Jencks	W. W. Lott
166	8	GALESBURG	Galesburg	John N. Strater	James H. Calkins
168	9	BEAUMANOIR	Decatur	Melville F. Metz	Wm. H. Elwood
194	10	OTTAWA	Ottawa	John N. Dunaway	Robert L. Smith
45	11	BEAUSEANT	Quincy	Henry Wilson	Thomas J. Mackoy
90	12	WAUKEGAN	Waukegan	J. M. Gray	George E. Cogswell
94	13	CAIRO	Cairo	Homer T. Stephens	Matthias C. Metzger
101	15	GORIN	Olney	James W. Spain	John Kuster
198	15	SYCAMORE	Sycamore	Carl E. Carlson	Edward E. Becker
158	16	URBANA	Urbana	Charles A. Besore	Wm. G. Brown
191	17	CRUSADER	Rockford	James M. McNair	Fred Wheat
191	18	EVERTS	Rock Island	Harry H. Cleaveland	Robt. C. Willerton
554	19	CHICAGO	Chicago	George W. Klein	Wm. H. Seifried
177	20	TEMPLE	Princeton	Howard G. Gibbs	Theodore P. Streeter
134	21	DIXON	Dixon	Thomas Cheatle	Edwin W. Smith
184	22	AURORA	Aurora	Charles C. Hinckley	George O. Howard
115	23	CYRENE	Centralia	John L. Davis	D. B. Robertson
131	24	DEMOULAY	Bloomington	Joseph B. Holmes	Chas. F. Webb
143	25	CALVARY	Woodstock	Frank W. Buell	Emil Arnold
86	26	ST. JOHN	Peru	Kimball W. Leland	Frederick E. Hoberg
104	27	PALESTINE	Paris	Frank F. Hager	David M. Wieder
67	28	BETHANY	Mendota	Robert N. Crawford	Frank F. Fritz
76	29	HUGH DE PAYENS	Carrollton	Stuart E. Pierson	Frank A. Davis
100	30	ST. OMER	Litchfield	John W. Rose	John H. McManus
148	31	HOSPITALER	Jacksonville	Samuel B. Stewart	Chas. L. Bartlett
81	32	ALMONER	Augusta	Elmer L. Tomas	John D. Hess
94	33	IVANHOE	Kankakee	James L. Hamlin	Chas. F. Whitmore
97	34	ST. PAUL	Fairbury	Jonathan J. Pence	John Zimmerman
673	35	ST. BERNARD	Chicago	Harris W. Huehl	Thos. L. Miller
158	36	BETHEL	Elgin	Wm. S. Hewins	Willard H. Seeley
98	37	MELITA	Tuscola	Wm. W. Reeves	Charles F. Lamb

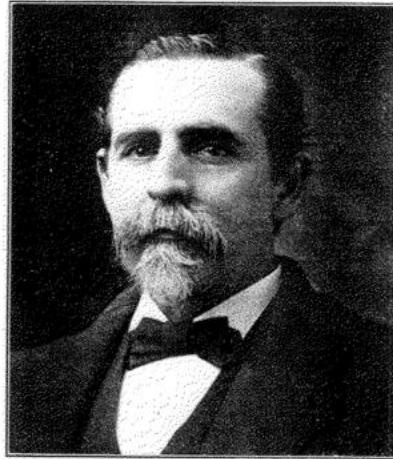
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113	38	MT. OLIVET	Paxton	Harry B. Henderson	Murray E. Hunt
51	39	MT. PULASKI	Mt. Pulaski	Frank L. Tomlinson	Robert D. Clark
92	40	GALENA	Galena	Wm. F. Biesmann	Edward Grimm
50	41	GETHSEMANE	Metropolis	Cyrus P. Treat	L. C. Flanagan
77	42	DAMASCUS	Havana	Rudolph A. Brandt	Hiram W. Lindley
81	43	COEUR DE LEON	El Paso	Melville A. Adams	David Dunn
119	44	GODFREY DE BOUILLON	Mattoon	James A. McFall	John F. Scott
122	45	ATHELSTAN	Danville	M. W. Thompson	J. A. Swanberg
71	47	ST. ALDEMAR	Petersburg	Frederick Wilcoxson	Alonzo E. Estill
73	48	DELTA	Clayton	Joseph N. Black	Andrew S. McDowell
58	49	ASCALON	Pittsfield	John C. Hesley	Jason A. Rider
99	50	TANCRED	Belleville	John Heinzelman	F. J. Tecklenburg
79	51	CONSTANTINE	Lincoln	Wm. H. Evans	David Gillespie
179	52	CHEVALIER BAYARD	Chicago	Fred J. Schroter	Parker M. Lewis
93	53	MONTJOIE	Chicago	Oscar F. Schmidt	John Hosbury
170	54	SILOAM	Oak Park	Eben E. Roberts	E. P. Sperry
87	55	EL AKSA	Quincy	Wm. H. McMeln	Frank S. Wood
68	56	RUSHVILLE	Rushville	T. E. Ballenberg	C. H. Wells
133	57	STERLING	Sterling	Elijah K. Jenkins	John W. Niles
146	58	EVANSTON	Evanston	Charles W. Rankin	John D. Cleveland
369	59	ENGLEWOOD	Chicago	Alfred Grossmith	Frank Sheffield
77	60	LONG	Mt. Carroll	Jacob H. Bushey	Isaiah Hollinger
79	61	MACOMB	Macomb	Wm. C. Johnson	Alex. McLean
105	62	CALUMET	Chicago	Albert W. McLaughlin	Edw. T. Webster
201	63	COLUMBIA	Chicago	Joseph A. Painter	Robt. H. Gillispie
136	64	LINCOLN PARK	Chicago	Edward J. Brundage	Marvin S. Bates
46	65	ST. ELMO	Chicago	Chas. J. DeBerard	Chas. W. Taylor
61	66	CLINTON	Clinton	John M. McPherson	Fred C. Hill
80	67	MARY	Watseka	Lyman M. Johnson	Frederick E. Foster

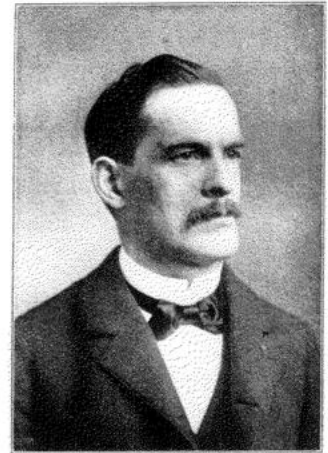
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EM. SIR BEECHER W. BENNETT.
Commander Muncie Commandery No. 18 K. T.—
Muncie.



EM. SIR CALVIN W. PRATHER.
Grand Recorder—Past Commander Anderson Com-
mandery No. 32 K. T.—Anderson.



SIR KT. ARTHUR LOOMIS.
Jeffersonville Commander No. 27 K. T.—
Jeffersonville.



SIR KT. J. A. CRAVEN.
Aurora Commandery No. 17 K. T.—Moore's Hill.

INDIANA—GRAND RECORDER. COMMANDERIES REPRESENTED: AURORA NO. 17, AURORA; MUNCIE NO. 18 MUNCIE;
JEFFERSONVILLE NO. 27 JEFFERSONVILLE; ANDERSON NO. 32 ANDERSON.

The Order of the Temple in Indiana.

By
**Calvin W.
Pratber,**
Grand Recorder
Grand Commandery
of Indiana.

A CONVENTION of Knights Templar was held in Grand Masonic Hall, Indianapolis, on the 16th day of May, 1854, for the purpose of forming a Grand Commandery for the State of Indiana. An encampment of Knights Templar was opened in ample form, Sir Henry C. Lawrence acting as Grand Commander, Sir Francis King, as Grand Recorder. Sixteen Sir Knights were present hailing from four Commanderies. At this meeting the usual form for the organization of a Grand Commandery under a warrant from Most Excellent Grand Master of the United States, W. B. Hubbard was followed. Under this warrant the organization was completed and the election of officers followed: Henry C. Lawrence being elected Right Eminent Grand Commander; William H. Sheets, Deputy Grand Commander; John S. Scobey, Grand Generalissimo; Sol. D. Bayless, Grand Captain General; Andrew M. Hunt, Grand Treasurer; Francis King, Grand Recorder.

The Grand Commandery having been fully organized, a resolution was passed that the first three Conclaves of the Grand Commandery should be held respectively at Lafayette, Fort Wayne, and Greensburg, and thereafter permanently located at the city of Indianapolis.

The First Annual Conclave, after the convention above named, was held in the city of Lafayette, on the 27th day of December, 1854, Sir Henry C. Lawrence, Grand Commander, presiding. Four Commanderies were represented: Raper No. 1 of Indianapolis, Greensburg No. 2 of Greensburg, Lafayette No. 3 of Lafayette and Fort Wayne No. 4 of Fort

Wayne. On the second day of this encampment we find a record of the visit to the battleground of Tippecanoe. The committee making a report of this visit do so in patriotic words that stir the blood even to this day and it was of such character that it is reproduced here as an evidence of the love of country and of home by gallant Sir Knights in the early days of Templarism in Indiana. The committee says:

"That there would be an evident fitness in such a visit, the fact that there rests the mouldering bones of many brave men, who fell combating for the safety of their homes and country, would be sufficient to induce us as patriots and citizens to visit the scene of their heroism, and, as our Eminent Deputy Grand Master expressed himself, in discussing the appointment of your committee, and alluding to the fall of a relative, at the beginning of the engagement, "shed a tear on the ground where so nobly fell these brave and gallant men," but when we reflect that many of those who there laid down lives to maintain their country's safety were "brethren of the Mystic Tie," even a Grand Master, the gallant Davies, reckoned among the number—the propriety of such a visit is still more evident. Who that belongs to the Order for which DeMolay suffered martyrdom, will not turn aside to shed a tear over the tombs of so many and so gallant heroes as lie entombed in yonder grove, where the winds of forty-two dreary winters have howled a mournful requiem o'er their unmarked sepulcher? Forty-three years ago, on November the 7th, 1811, occurred the battle of Tippecanoe, and there was the beginning of the end of that struggle which cost the life of a Warren, at Bunker Hill. The British Lion never ceased his growl of intimidation from the time that Grand Master Warren fell until the conclusion of a second war, which was

ushered in by a parallel sacrifice of a Grand Master at Tippecanoe.

"What Bunker Hill is to the East so should be Tippecanoe to the West. The gallant deeds performed at the one were emulated at the other; and we yet hope that the day will dawn, and that soon, when a column, equal in magnificence to the Bunker Hill monument, shall commemorate the dead who sleep on the field of Tippecanoe; and, as Masonic hands and Masonic patriotism reared the first at Bunker Hill, so let us do at Tippecanoe. In doing so we honor ourselves, and the principles we, as Masons, profess."

We find the receipts for that year were \$100, expenses, \$23.08, with a balance in the treasury of \$76.92. The Grand Commandery at this session adopted a constitution and by-laws. The records show one hundred and sixty-eight Knights Templar in the State of Indiana at the close of the Grand Commandery in 1854.

The next meeting was held at Fort Wayne in 1855. During this year a dispensation was issued for the organization of a Commandery at New Albany. In 1856, the Grand Commandery met at Greensburg, Indiana. During that year a Commandery was organized at Connersville. In 1857, the Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held in the city of Indianapolis; in 1858, in the city of New Albany. During this

year a Commandery was organized at Bedford. In 1859, the Grand Commandery was convened at Connersville, Indiana. In 1860, the Grand Commandery again met in Indianapolis and the annual Conclaves for many years following were held in Masonic Temple, in the above named city. Within the last few years the Annual Conclaves have been held in different cities, usually the residence city of the Grand Commander, which has proved a source of great benefit to the local Commandery, and has been very pleasing to the Knights Templar within a radius of "forty miles" of the city in which the Annual Conclave was held.

From a membership of one hundred and sixty-eight, and four organized Commanderies in 1854, Indiana now has a membership of over four thousand, with forty-three chartered Commanderies. These nearly four thousand true and gallant knights of Indiana are loyal and faithful and always ready "to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and bind up the wounds of the afflicted." The Order of the Temple has prospered in Indiana, because her sons are faithful to their vows of knight-hood, and true to the principles of Freemasonry.

The outlook for the future has never been brighter. The zeal, fraternal spirit and knightly courtesy of the Templars of Indiana is not excelled by any.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901-1902.

Sir Leonidas P. Newby, of Knightstown No. 9, R. E. Grand Commander
 Sir Sidney W. Douglas, of LaValette No. 15, V. E. Dp. Gr. Commander.
 Sir. Frederick Glass, of Madison No. 22, E. Grand Generalissimo.
 Sir Charles Goltra, of Crawfordsville No. 25, E. Gr. Captain-General.
 Sir Nathan L. Agnew, of Valparaiso No. 28, E. Grand Senior Warden.
 Sir Oliver Gard, of Frankfort No. 29, E. Grand Junior Warden.
 Sir Cassius M. Carter, of Muncie No. 18, Grand Prelate.
 Sir Joseph W. Smith, of Raper No. 1, E. Grand Treasurer.
 Sir Calvin W. Prather, of Anderson No. 32, E. Grand Recorder.
 Sir Vestal W. Woodward, of Raper No. 1, E. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Sir Charles Day, of New Albany No. 5, E. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Sir Luther Short, of Franklin No. 23, E. Grand Warder.
 Sir Roger Parry, of Raper No. 1, Grand Captain of the Guard.

Address:

LEONIDAS P. NEWBY, Grand Commander, Knightstown, Indiana.
 CALVIN W. PRATHER, Grand Recorder, Masonic Temple, Indianapolis.

Chairman of Committee on Correspondence:

E. SIR MARTIN H. RICE, Indianapolis.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Henry C. Lawrence. Richard L. Woolsey.
 *Ephraim Colstock. Walter Vail.
 *George W. Porter. Henry C. Adama.
 *William Pelan. Ephraim W. Patrick.
 *Solomon D. Bayless. George W. F. Kirk.
 *William Hacker. *Reuben Peden.
 *Harvey G. Hazelrigg. Duncan T. Bacon.
 *Thomas Newby. Henry H. Lancaster.
 *David P. Whedon. Irvin B. Webber.
 *Elbridge G. Hamilton. *Joseph A. Manning.
 *Charles Cruft. Simeon S. Johnson.
 Edwin D. Palmer. Charles W. Slick.
 *Andrew H. Hamilton. Walter W. Hindman.
 *Nicholas R. Ruckle. Winfield T. Durbin.
 *Erville B. Bishop. John E. Redmond.
 Augustus D. Lynch. John H. Nicholson.
 *Alexander Thomas. William E. Perryman.
 *Salathiel T. Williams. Eugene W. Kelly.
 Henry G. Thayer. Leonidas P. Newby.
 *John H. Hess. Sidney W. Douglas.
 Samuel B. Sweet.

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Indiana Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1902.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
179	1	RAPER	Indianapolis	Henry T. Conde	Jacob W. Smith
80	2	BALDWIN	Shelbyville	Julius L. Showers	Geo. W. F. Kirk
161	3	LAFAYETTE	Lafayette	George W. Mendell	Wm. B. Wormley
127	4	FORT WAYNE	Fort Wayne	Justin N. Study	Wm. J. Probasco
130	5	NEW ALBANY	New Albany	William A. Laufer	Mercell D. Condiff
32	6	CONNERSVILLE	Connersville	Joshua Chitwood	Anthony Watt
138	8	RICHMOND	Richmond	George R. Williams	Thaddeus W. Braffett
82	9	KNIGHTSTOWN	Knightstown	Lewis A. Bell	William H. Edwards
65	10	WARSAW	Warsaw	Irvin B. Webber	Oren J. Chandler
52	11	GREENCASTLE	Greencastle	John A. Michael	James McD. Hays

Indiana Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1902--Continued.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
70	12	LAPORTE	Laporte	Charles Bosserman	Henry C. Noe
102	13	SOUTH BEND	South Bend	Melville W. Mix	Arthur S. Irvin
86	14	COLUMBUS	Columbus	John Jewell	William T. Davis
164	15	LA VALETTE	Evansville	Edward P. Busse	Herman Engle
163	16	TERRE HAUTE	Terre Haute	Edward E. Bitner	James K. Allen
50	17	AURORA	Aurora	William C. Henry	George W. Wood
170	18	MUNCIE	Muncie	Frank G. Jackson	J. Wallace Perkins
159	19	APOLLO	Kendallville	Bernard Pullman	John A. Jones
74	20	VINCENNES	Vincennes	George W. Donaldson	George W. McCoy
86	21	MARION	Marion	John W. Miles	Samuel E. Soule
47	22	MADISON	Madison	Greenville Johnson	Louis P. Schelk
102	23	FRANKLIN	Franklin	Aiva O. Neal	John E. Jolliffe
148	24	ST. JOHN	Logansport	Victor E. Seiter	Henry Tucker
145	25	CRAWFORDSVILLE	Crawfordsville	Charles E. Goodbar	Lucien A. Foote
56	26	PLYMOUTH	Plymouth	Roscoe A. Chase	Lucius Tanner
53	27	JEFFERSONVILLE	Jeffersonville	Alfred M. Thias	Simon S. Johnson
99	28	VALPARAISO	Valparaiso	Melvin J. Stinchfield	Edgar Guy Osborne
105	29	FRANKFORT	Frankfort	James McClamroch	James W. Morrison
94	30	MICHIGAN CITY	Michigan City	William H. Williams	Fred H. Zahn
104	31	ELKHART	Elkhart	George E. Flister	William A. Allen
163	32	ANDERSON	Anderson	Cyrenus F. Heritage	William L. Finch
73	33	WASHINGTON	Washington	John H. Wright	William M. Alkman
46	34	CYRENE	Columbia City	Thomas R. Marshall	Chauncey B. Mattoon
88	35	HUNTINGTON	Huntington	George B. Whitestine	Edward Humbert
60	36	KOKOMO	Kokomo	Oscar Dailey	Edwin E. Russell
90	37	WABASH	Wabash	L. G. A. Powell	Elias Scott
70	38	BLUFFTON	Bluffton	James P. Hale	Wilbur W. Oman
51	39	GREENFIELD	Greenfield	Henry Snow	John A. Rhue
51	40	DELPHI	Delphi	Cloid M. Kerlin	John Lathrope
47	41	HAMMOND	Hammond	Joseph G. Ibach	Oscar Mallett
48	42	BEDFORD	Bedford	Morton F. Brooks	McHenry Owen
32	43	LEBANON	Lebanon	Will S. Ritchie	Thomas W. Huckstop
61	44	NEW CASTLE	New Castle	Edward A. Colson	Henry L. Shopp
	45	ANGOLA	Angola	Frank B. Humphrey	

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The Order of the Temple in Indian Territory.

By
**Joseph Samuel
Murrow,**
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of Indian Territory.

THE Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Indian Territory was organized at Muskogee, December 27, 1895, under a warrant granted by Right Eminent Warren LaRue Thomas, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States. Representatives were present from Muskogee Commandery No. 1, Chickasaw Commandery No. 2 and McAlester Commandery No. 3. Very Eminent William H. Mayo, of St. Louis, the Grand Recorder, of the Grand Encampment, officiated at the constituting of the Grand Commandery and installed the officers. Though composed of only three subordinates, this little Grand Commandery proved itself to be a virile body. Its Grand Commander, Sir Knight Robert W. Hill, was a man of broad culture and profound Masonic information. He was a fine writer and speaker and he went all over the Territory in the interest of the Chivalric degrees.

An event which occurred during the first year and which brought sadness to all hearts was the death of the Grand Prelate, Rev. William P. Paxson, D. D. He was a man of great ability and his influence for good was known and felt all over the West. He took an active interest in all that pertained to the Grand Commandery. By his work and voice he was an inspiration to all.

This young Grand Commandery was not only blessed with a most excellent Commander and Prelate, but also in the person of Sir Knight Leo E. Bennett, the Grand Recorder, it found an indefatigable and methodical worker. Through his exertions quite a valuable library was gathered the first

year, which unfortunately was all burned subsequently in a great fire which burned up a large portion of the town of Muskogee.

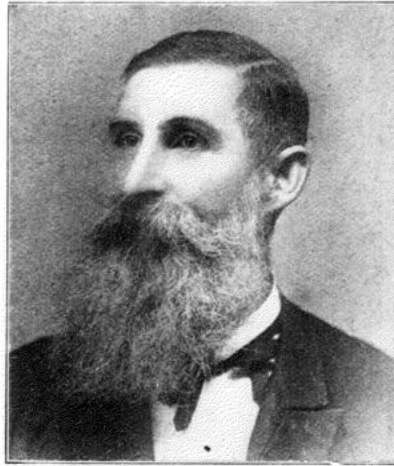
The address of Grand Commander Hill at the second anniversary of the Grand Commandery was a document of great beauty and power. It raised high the standard of Knight Templarism in all intellectual, moral and Christian character and gave to the Grand Conclave a high ideal for their labors. At this session a charter was granted to DeMolay Commandery at Chickasha.

Sir Knight James E. Humphrey was elected Grand Commander and his year of service was also prosperous. His address at the Third Annual Conclave reports the subordinate Commanderies growing in numbers and influence. A petition was presented praying for a Commandery at Ardmore, which was granted.

At this Conclave Sir Knight Edmond H. Doyle was elected Grand Commander. The writer of this is an old Mason and has had much experience and observation. He does not know of a man in all his long life as a Mason that is more a born ritualist than Edmond H. Doyle. Grand Commander Doyle can do all the floor work of Masonry from the entered apprentice degree in a Blue Lodge to the thirty-second in the Consistory with ease and grace. He is also an excellent executive and presiding officer.

At the Third Conclave, because of his pressing duties as United States Marshal, Grand Recorder Leo E. Bennett gave up his position and Joseph S. Murrow was elected Grand Recorder.

At the Fourth Annual Conclave, Grand Commander E. H. Doyle reported the Order in the Territory to be quite prosper-



EM. SIR JOSEPH S. MURROW.
Grand Recorder, Past Grand Master, and Grand Secretary Grand Lodge
F. & A. M., Indian Territory—Atoka.

INDIAN TERRITORY--GRAND RECORDER.

ous. In his address he discussed very intelligently, quoting authorities, the much mooted question, "What is the standing in the Commandery of a voluntary unaffiliated Mason?" and he arrives at the same conclusion that the Grand Encampment did, that membership should be coexistent in all Masonic bodies.

The Committee on Jurisprudence endorsed these views and the Grand Commandery enacted a law that all Sir Knights must keep their standing in Blue Lodges and Chapters in good condition or forfeit their membership in the Commanderies.

Sir Knight Patrick J. Byrne was elected to succeed Sir E. H. Doyle as Grand Commander. His administration was pleasant and profitable. It was during this year that the great fire occurred which burned up the valuable library and archives of the Grand Commandery. A great loss.

The address of Grand Commander Byrne at the Fifth Conclave was a fine paper full of inspiration to his brother knights to be true to the Order and be valiant in defense of right and justice.

Sir Robert F. Scoffern was elected Grand Commander to succeed Sir Knight Byrne at the fifth session and proved to be faithful to his trust. His address at the Sixth Annual Con-

clave stated a healthy growth in all the Commanderies. Sir Knight Ira B. Kirkland succeeded to the position of Grand Commander and enjoyed a year of prosperity.

The seventh and last Annual Conclave was a very pleasant meeting. Several able and distinguished Sir Knights, Past Grand Commanders, from other jurisdictions, who have removed into Indian Territory, were made members of the Grand Commandery. These added much interest to the proceedings and will add to the *esprit de corps* of the Order in general throughout the Territory.

In his address Grand Commander Kirkland reported that liberal contributions had been sent to the Galveston flood sufferers by four of the five Commanderies.

One of the best men and most zealous Mason in the Territory, Sir Knight Zachary Taylor Walrond, was elected Grand Commander. He has already entered upon his administration with wisdom and zeal and there is no doubt that during his term of office, Knight Templarism will flourish.

There are now in Indian Territory five Commanderies with a membership of two hundred and nineteen, including one Commandery, which failed to make report at the last Annual Conclave.

GRAND OFFICERS

Sir Knight Zachary Taylor Walrond, Muskogee, Grand Commander.
 Sir Knight Daniel Morris Hailey, South McAlester, V. E. Deputy
 Grand Commander.
 Sir Knight John Coyle, Rush Springs, Grand Generalissimo.
 Sir Knight Eugene Hamilton, Chickasha, Grand Captain General.
 Sir Knight Daniel Morris Williams, McAlester, Grand Senior Warden.
 Sir Knight Herbert Johnston Evans, Muskogee, Grand Junior Warden.
 Sir Knight Arthur Von Comp Francis, Muskogee, Grand Prelate.
 Sir Knight George Henry Williams, Muskogee, Grand Treasurer.
 Sir Knight Joseph Samuel Murrow, Muskogee, Grand Recorder.
 Sir Knight John Fletcher Sharpe, Purcell, Grand Standard Bearer.
 Sir Knight Henry Lee Jarboe, Jr., Chickasha, Grand Sword Bearer.
 Sir Knight Edmond Henry Doyle, McAlester, Grand Drill Master and
 Inspector.
 Sir Knight Frank Smith, McAlester, Grand Warder
 Sir Knight Stephen Becker, Muskogee, Grand Sentinel.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

Robert W. Hill, Canandaigua, N. Y.
 Edmond H. Doyle, South McAlester.
 James E. Humphreys, Purcell.
 Patrick J. Bryne, Muskogee.
 Robert F. Scoffern, Chickasha.
 Ira B. Kirkland, Muskogee.

Indian Territory Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
73	1	MUSKOGEE	Muskogee	H. J. Evans	Z. T. Walrond
30	2	CHICKASAW	Purcell	J. F. Sharp	W. L. Costello
45	3	McALESTER	McAlester	J. M. Williams	J. H. Manr
37	4	DEMOLEY	Chickasha	E. H. Milton	A. B. Snow
24	5	ARDMORE	Ardmore	W. F. Bowman	John T. Boyd
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The Order of the Temple in Iowa.

By
W. F. Cleveland,
Past
Grand Commander
of the
Grand Commandery
Iowa.

THE history of the Order of Knights Templar in Iowa has been one of uninterrupted growth and prosperity since the date of its introduction in the State down to the present time.

The State was admitted to the Union in 1846. The early settlers, coming largely from the Eastern and Middle States, found vast rolling prairies,

whose rich virgin soil awaited only their labors to bring forth its increase in such amounts and unfailling certainty as to place the State in the proud position that she now occupies as foremost in the American Union.

The numerous trunk railroads that cross her surface from east to west with their many branches so completely cover it that every one of the ninety-nine county seats has the best of transportation facilities. While there is no large metropolis within her borders to overshadow the entire State by its size, Iowa has several cities of importance and a large number of bright, active growing municipalities of from 2,000 to 6,000 inhabitants, well located over the Commonwealth, that are important business centers and that afford delightful homes for their energetic and enterprising citizens. Churches and institutions of learning are to be found on every hand, and Masonic Temples are not wanting. The common school system of the State is unequalled; her churches are well attended and the Masonic fraternity is enjoying a period of unexampled prosperities.

Amid such surroundings the Christian Order of Knights Templar has flourished and grown as though indigenous to

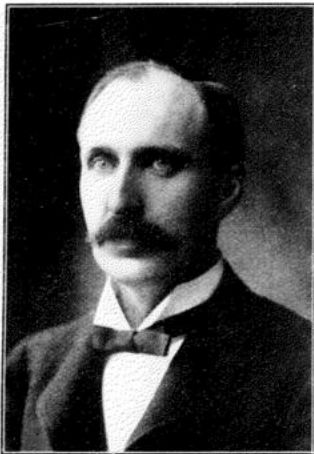
the soil and the people, until it now occupies a prominent position among the other grand jurisdictions of this country.

The first organization of Templar Masonry in the State was in 1855. A petition praying for the establishment of an encampment at Muscatine was prepared by Theodore S. Parvin, who after obtaining the signatures of the Sir Knights residing in the young State, submitted their request to Apollo No. 1 of Chicago, the nearest Templar body, for recommendation. Upon this petition duly recommended, Sir William B. Hubbard, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States on the 14th day of March, 1855, issued a dispensation to the knights named therein to form and open DeMolay Encampment at Muscatine, naming Sir Theodore S. Parvin as Eminent Commander. On the 10th day of April, 1855, this new encampment met in its Asylum where was opened and held the First Conclave in the virgin State.

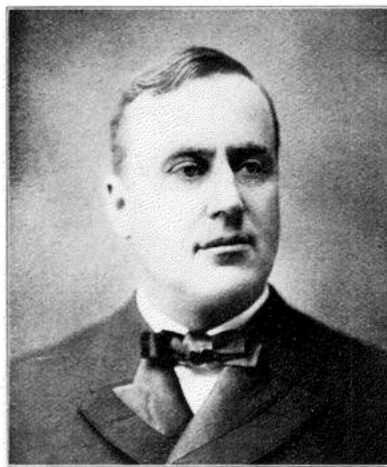
On the 27th day of January, 1856, a petition was presented by several knights praying for a dispensation to organize Palestine Encampment at Iowa City; it seems that no dispensation was ever granted, but that after considerable discussion and delay, a charter was granted to that body by the Grand Encampment, September 15, 1856.

February 9, 1859, a dispensation was issued to the Templars of Dubuque to organize Siloam afterwards numbered three. And July 10th, 1859, a dispensation was issued for a Templar body at Des Moines, to be known by that name.

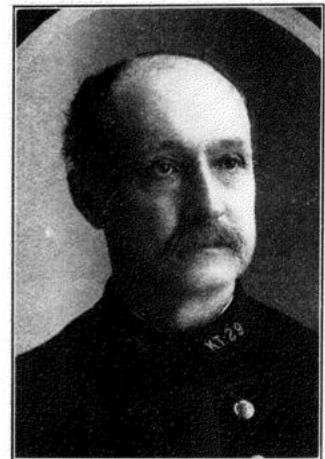
June 6, 1864, a convention of Knights Templar assembled at Des Moines in the Asylum of Des Moines Commandery U. D. for the purpose of forming a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the appendant orders for the State of Iowa, un-



V. EM. SIR FREDERICK W. CRAIG.
Deputy Grand Commander—Past Commander
Temple Commandery No. 4—Des Moines.

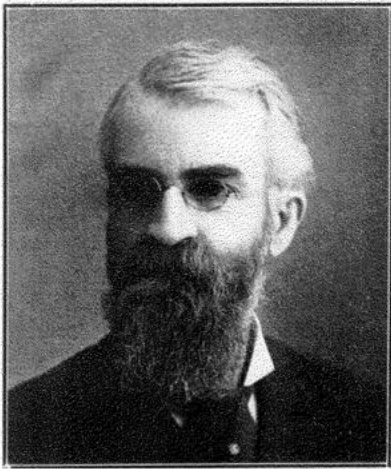


R. EM. SIR WILLIAM HENRY NORRIS.
Grand Commander 1901-02—Manchester.

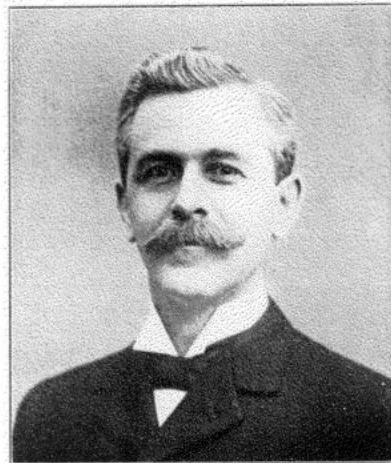


EM. SIR J. E. CHERRY.
Grand Recorder—Past Commander Bethany Com-
mandery No. 28—Creston.

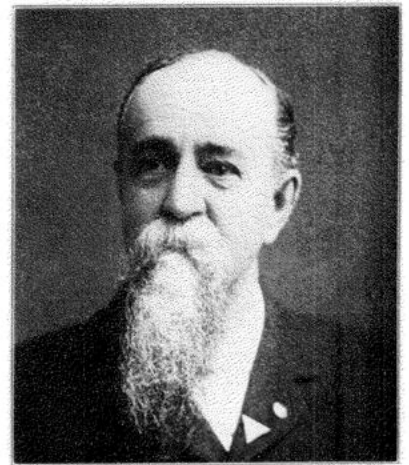
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R. EM. SIR ALMON R. DEWEY.
Grand Commander 1886-87—Past Grand High
Priest—Past Illustrious Grand Master of
Grand Council—Past Grand Master
F. & A. M.—Washington.



R. EM. SIR DAVID M. BROWNLEE.
Grand Commander 1900-01—Sioux City.



EM. SIR ALFRED WINGATE.
Grand Recorder 1887-1901—Des Moines.

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der the sanction of a warrant from Benjamin Brown French, Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States, authorizing DeMolay No. 1, Palestine No. 2, and Siloam No. 3 to meet and form a Grand Commandery for the thirteen-year-old Commonwealth.

Des Moines (afterwards Temple) Commandery did not take part in the convention as its dispensation issued in 1857 had been forfeited.

The officers of that convention were as follows: Sir Knight James Hartsock, Eminent Commander (presiding); Sir Knight Horace Tuttle, Generalissimo; Sir Knight Luther P. Frost, Captain General; Sir Knight Theodore Sutton Parvin, Warden.

The convention then proceeded to an election of the officers of the Grand Commandery with the following result: Theodore Sutton Parvin, Right Eminent Commander; Edward A. Guilbert, Very Eminent Grand Commander; Horace Tuttle, Eminent Grand Generalissimo; James R. Hartsock, Grand Captain General; William Leffingwell, Eminent Grand Prelate; L. F. Swafford, Grand Senior Warden; L. P. Frost, Grand Junior Warden; William Rogers, Grand Standard Bearer; J. E. Jewett, Grand Sword Bearer; Z. C. Luse, Grand Treasurer; W. B. Langridge, Grand Recorder; J. A. Hursh, Grand Warder; J. Norwood Clark, Grand Sentinel.

The first official act of this grand body after the proclamation has been made of its formal constitution, was to grant a charter to Des Moines Commandery No. 4. This body of Templar Knights continued to bear the local name until 1870, when the Grand Commandery ordered that all Commanderies in the State bear distinctively Templar names only, whereupon Des Moines No. 4 became Temple No. 4.

At the Annual Conclave for 1866, four charters were granted, viz.: Damascus No. 5, Keokuk; De Payens, No. 6, Oscaloosa; Jerusalem No. 7, Mt. Pleasant and Burlington; Honorius No. 8, McGregor.

The above were organized under dispensations granted in 1865. From that Conclave of 1866 to the present

with scarcely an exception, Grand Commanders have annually issued dispensations for new subordinate Commanderies, which have all been chartered later. From this small beginning of three subordinate Commanderies in 1864 with a membership of about one hundred, we have grown to fifty-seven subordinate Commanderies and nearly five thousand members. This is a record of which we may well be proud, especially when we consider the high character of those distinguished Fraters, who have devoted so much of their time to the interest of Templar Masonry.

Until the year 1890, the Annual Conclaves were held in the different cities throughout the State. In the year 1885, the Grand Commandery was the recipient of a very valuable tract of real property containing about twenty acres upon the western shore of the beautiful Spirit Lake, situated in the north-western part of the State. This property was purchased by subscription and presented to the Grand Commandery in fee simple. Being desirous of improving the grounds with a view of making it a permanent camping ground or home for the Grand Commandery of Iowa, it was decided to hold the Annual Conclave there in August, 1890; the sessions were held in a large tent erected for that purpose, the headquarters being at the Hotel Orleans across the lake. The next year a large and commodious Asylum was erected in which the sessions are held, the Sir Knights and ladies occupying tents upon the attractive grounds. Since then commodious apartment buildings have been erected amply sufficient to accommodate the large number of Fraters, who with their wives and daughters annually assemble there. A pretty cottage has been built for the use of the Right Eminent Grand Commander and as a headquarters building and in 1901 a large pavilion has been added. The hotel accommodations are first class. A trim little steamer, "The Templar," owned by the Grand Commandery, adds much to the pleasure of the guests in attendance. The Annual Conclaves are held during the second week of July of each year, which has been set apart for that purpose and is known as "Festal" week for Hawkeye

Templars, who are justly proud of their rural retreat, which is growing in popular favor. Templar Park is the only resort of its kind in existence owned exclusively by Templars and is open for the use of Iowa knights and their families during the entire season.

Of the small band of zealous Fraters who were so active in the organization of our Grand Commandery, all "have fallen in life's struggle full knightly, with their armor on." Especially do we feel called upon to make mention of our venerable and beloved Frater Theodore Sutton Parvin, who has so recently gone to his rest. His long and useful life was entirely devoted to Masonic work and to him more than to any other does the Masonic fraternity of Iowa owe a debt of gratitude for his unselfish labors in all of its branches. That his efforts were highly appreciated by the Masonic fraternity of Iowa is evidenced by the many honors that have been bestowed upon him. In addition to the prominent position that he so long held as the official head of the Scottish Rite in Iowa, he has served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge; Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter; Grand Master of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters and Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State wherein he passed sixty-three years of his life, and to which he came at twenty-one as the private secretary to the first territorial governor, Lucas. Past Grand Commander Parvin was from the date of its institution, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, serving without interruption till the day of his death with the exception of the year in which he was Grand Master. He took especial pride in the Grand Lodge library of which he was both the parent and librarian. To be called upon to preside over each of the Grand Masonic bodies of any grand jurisdiction is a distinction enjoyed by few. He was also Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States from 1871 to 1883. Dying at his home in Cedar Rapids June 28, 1901, at the ripe age of four-score years and four, his remarkable brilliant mind was not affected by

his long and painful illness of six months duration, but was sane, serene, and cheerful to the last.

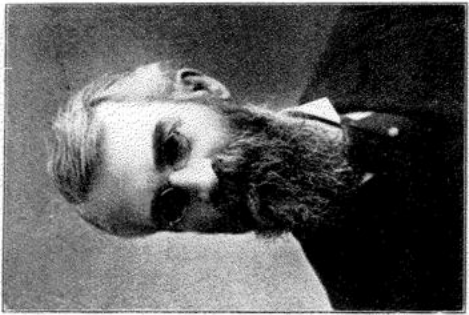
With him the battle of chivalry was ever being waged and it was ever his aim to see that modern Templars were not wanting in the exercise of these knightly virtues, charity, hospitality, and pure benevolence. With him, while the days of spectacular knight errantry were indeed gone, yet he ever realized that the battle of real knighthood was at its height and he ever bore the beauseant to the forefront of the contest:

"And though these gallant Knights are dust,
And though their swords are turned to rust,
Their souls are with the saints, we trust."

Templar Masonry in Iowa, is in a very flourishing condition; the Templar hosts, men tried and true, distinguished in their ranks are steadily increasing. This may be attributed partially to the high standard of intelligence found among its followers, and to the distinguished Templars who have been so prominent in the past. We recall the names of Parvin, Guilbert, Bower, Langridge, Winslow, Eaton, Parish and Morton, and many others who have heard the Warder's call to that unseen Asylum and we look about and see others still living who have not failed to take and keep a front rank in the Templar hosts, men tried and true; distinguished in their several callings, prominent in business and professional circles, are found marching under the banner of the cross; men whose lives while living and whose memories when dead, make us more fully appreciate the potent influence our Order exerts in promulgating its Christian teachings for the good of the world at large. The banner of our Order upon which is emblazoned the legend "*In hoc signo vinces*," is as significant to us as it was to those brave Templars of old. And as we look upon that symbol of our faith, we are incited to take up anew the burdens of life and cheerfully aid him who finds his burden too heavy to bear, practicing in our daily lives the glorious teachings of Christianity, so that when the sands of time are run, we may be received by the blessed Emmanuel and forever participate in His Heavenly Kingdom.



V. EM. SIR AND REV. JAMES C. W. COXE,
Grand Prelate Grand Encampment U. S. A., 1888-
1901.—Grand Prelate 1887.—Past Commander
Bethlehem Commandery No. 45—
Washington.



R. EM. SIR ALMON R. DEWEY,
Past Commander Bethlehem Commandery No. 45—
Past Grand Commander—Washington.

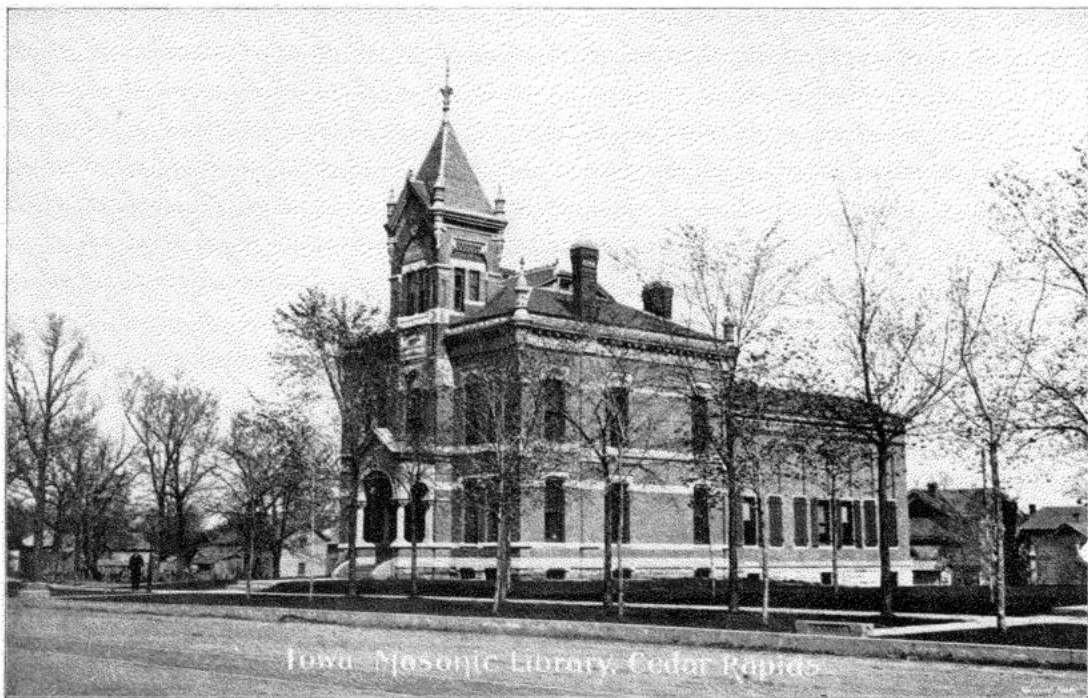


R. EM. SIR DAVID M. BROWNLEE,
Past Commander Columbia Commandery No. 18—
Past Grand Commander—Sioux City.



R. EM. WM. HENRY NORRIS,
Past Commander Nazareth Commandery No. 33—
Grand Commander—Manchester.

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CITY; BETHLEHEM NO. 45, WASHINGTON.



Iowa Masonic Library, Cedar Rapids

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GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight William Henry Norris, Manchester, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Frederick W. Craig, Des Moines, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight William Flanagan, Cedar Rapids, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight H. W. Holman, Independence, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight A. A. Rodman, Washington, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight O. C. Meredith, Newton, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Thomas E. Green, Cedar Rapids, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight John B. Atkins, Council Bluffs, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight J. E. Cherry, Creston, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight F. P. Webber, Cherokee, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight H. K. Pratt, Keokuk, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight W. T. Mollison, Ottumwa, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight A. N. Alberson, Washington, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Theo. S. Parvin. *Ozias P. Waters.
 *Wm. Leffingwell. *John C. Parish.
 *Robert F. Bower. George B. Van Saun.
 *Pitkin C. Wright *Frank Neely.
 Buren R. Sherman *Horace S. Winslow.
 *Edward A. Guilbert. *J. Scott Jenkins

*E. E. Ainsworth.
 Henry W. Rothert.
 Abel W. Daugherty.
 *James Morton.
 Wm. A. McGrew.
 Almon R. Dewey.
 Clark Varnum.
 *Cyrus W. Eaton.
 James A. Guest.
 W. F. Cleveland.
 E. Olin Soule
 W. I. Babb.
 D. W. Clements.
 F. B. Lacey.
 *T. R. Ercanbrack.
 F. H. Loring.
 George W. Bever.
 J. H. Pettibone.
 D. M. Brownlee.
 W. H. Norris.
 *L. S. Swafford.
 C. W. Fisher.
 *Harry H. Griffith.

John W. Porter.
 Jacob L. Chase.
 J. W. Wilson.
 Howard Tucker.
 John S. Hart.
 James Collister.
 Cyrus H. Phelps.
 Charles C. Gilman.
 John B. Cleland.
 Henry C. McNeil.
 *A. L. Beardslee.
 Charles A. Wise.
 *A. B. Cox.
 E. T. Webster.
 F. D. Boyer.
 William H. Hall.
 Abe Levens.
 S. I. Williams
 Alex. Peddie.
 F. W. Craig.
 William Welden.
 J. W. Wells.
 A. A. Rodman.

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Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
100	1	DEMOLAY	Muscatine	George B. Jackson	W. H. McCoy
57	2	PALESTINE	Iowa City	S. S. Lytle	William H. Graff
93	3	SILAM	Dubuque	C. W. Walton	O. S. Mahon
221	4	TEMPLE	Des Moines	W. M. Wilcoxon	R. M. J. Coleman
62	5	DAMASCUS	Keokuk	H. K. Pratt	Lindsay Merrill
131	6	DEPAYENS	Oskaloosa	W. E. Hearne	F. E. Smith
46	7	JERUSALEM	Mt. Pleasant	E. G. Linn	J. W. Satterthwalte
43	8	HONORIUS	McGregor	C. F. Spaulding	J. L. Hagensick
122	9	ST. SIMON OF CYRENE	Davenport	C. E. Birchard	F. W. Smith
90	10	HOLY CROSS	Clinton	W. S. Gardner	F. E. Bachelder
65	11	BALDWIN	Cedar Falls	H. E. Olbrick	G. H. Boehmler
45	12	BEAUSEANT	Decorah	F. W. Daubney	E. Mather
92	13	ENCALIBUR	Boone	J. McIntosh	Charles Tucker
54	14	ST. BERNARD	Belle Plain	S. P. Van Dike	Thomas Lawrence

Iowa Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.—Continued.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
65	15	ST. OMER	Burlington	W. C. Cross	M. A. Pinney
35	16	TRINITY	Monticello	A. I. Jackson	O. H. Soetje
81	17	IVANHOE	Council Bluffs	T. B. Lacey	E. H. Leffert
142	18	COLUMBIAN	Sioux City	W. E. Lockhart	W. A. Heath
58	19	COEUR DE LION	Osage	L. W. Knoultton	A. W. Tallman
133	21	ST. JOHN'S	Centerville	H. E. Valentine	T. O. Wilson
126	22	ORIENTAL	Newton	J. Y. Bailey	L. B. Westbrook
77	23	CONSTANTINE	Osceola	U. S. Bond	T. M. Wall
79	24	CAVALRY	Ft. Dodge	S. J. Bennett	H. S. Holm
100	25	ASCALON	Waterloo	George R. Turner	H. B. Cropper
128	26	APOLLO	Cedar Rapids	L. W. Anderson	P. W. Gifford
68	27	PATMOS	Marion	C. S. Berry	F. J. Cleveland
77	28	ELCHANAN	Keosauqua	H. B. Sloan	W. B. Fleming
105	29	BETHANY	Creston	C. W. Vance	H. Newman
123	30	ST. ALDEMAR	Marshalltown	J. W. Wells	J. S. Millard
94	31	MALTA	Ottumwa	W. T. Mollison	D. A. Emery
50	32	KENNETH	Independence	H. W. Holman	J. B. Steinmetz
75	33	NAZARETH	Manchester	C. D. Elder	J. M. Pearse
108	34	BRUCE	Red Oak	W. W. Montgomery	Thomas McCulloch
52	35	EMMAUS	Jefferson	J. F. Thompson	J. W. Fitz
53	36	MT. OLIVET	Stone City	William Thomas	A. C. Comstock
69	37	CYPRUS	Vinton	B. M. Bills	J. W. Barr
202	38	ROSE CROIX	Sac City	J. H. Stalford	Myron Childs
146	39	CRUSADE	Cherokee	A. R. Molyneux	J. S. Green
79	40	TANCRED	Maquoketa	Walter Doe	William Hancock
54	41	TRUNE	Webster City	J. O. Lenning	F. M. Merchant
86	42	KEDRON	Atlantic	C. L. Campbell	A. M. Nipper
135	43	ANTIOCH	Mason City	C. H. McNider	F. M. Morris
55	44	CODFREY	Audubon	A. H. Roberts	E. B. Cousins
76	45	BETHLEHEM	Washington	A. A. Rodman	J. W. Morton
114	47	LANGRIDGE	West Union	W. F. Phillips	J. S. Sampson
114	48	ST. ELMO	Iowa Falls	William Welden	H. B. Hall
58	49	MT. ZION	Harlan	George Walters	Wm. B. Rowland
72	50	IMMANUEL	Chariton	J. C. Copeland	J. H. Stanton
78	51	DELTA	Ft. Madison	N. C. Roberts	E. D. Smith
81	52	ESDRAELON	Estherville	H. C. Shadbolt	L. L. Barnum
42	53	EUDORA	New Hampton	W. J. Springer	C. L. Gabrielsen
31	54	PETROS	Rock Rapids	E. C. Roach	B. L. Richards
47	55	JOPPA	Charles City	C. E. Harding	W. W. Dennis
48	56	GERARD	Perry	H. E. Nichols	H. L. Thomas
40	57	PLYMOUTH	LeMars	F. A. Post	Thomas Treat
27	58	ALHAMBRA	Stuart	J. R. Smull, Jr.	J. A. Treat
84	59	GETHSEMANE	Fairfield	W. C. Spaulding	T. L. Hoffman



*KANSAS MASONIC HOME
WICHITA, KANSAS.*

KANSAS MASONIC HOME, WICHITA.

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Order of the Temple in Kansas.

By
Bestor G. Brown,
Grand
Senior Warden
of the
Grand Commandery
of Kansas.

BISHOP BERKELEY well said
"Westward the course of empire
takes its way." Truly was this writ
in the early development of Kansas,
for progress has been on her banner
ever since she became the habitation
of man. The development of all asso-
ciations of men has been more rapid
in Kansas than in any other State in

the Union, time and conditions considered. In line with this spirit, it was natural that the Masonic altar should have been set up early on the fertile prairies of Kansas.

The Kansas-Nebraska Bill was signed May 30, 1854. This not only shaped the destiny of Kansas, but precipitated those events which within a decade resulted in a complete change in the social conditions of the nation. Within sixty days after the Kansas-Nebraska Bill became a law, a lodge of Master of Masons was established at Wyandotte, now known as Kansas City, Kansas. Other lodges speedily followed at Missouri River points and within a twelve month a Grand Lodge had been organized.

The stirring events which rapidly followed so unsettled the business and social conditions of Kansas that the development of the Masonic institution was slow. Not until after many bloody events in the border ruffian struggle were affairs so settled that men could give their attention to the pursuits of peace.

On February 10, 1864, a dispensation was issued by Benjamin G. French, then Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, for the establishment of a Commandery of Knights Templar at Leavenworth, at that time the most flourishing and promising point in the Western country. This body continued under dispensation for a little more than a year and

was chartered by the Grand Encampment, September 13, 1865.

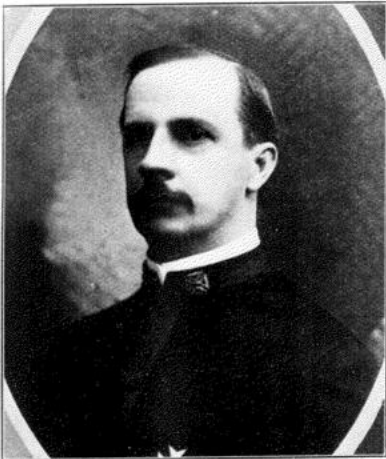
On July 13, 1865, a dispensation was issued for the establishment of a Commandery at Atchison, twenty miles north of Leavenworth on the Missouri river; this Commandery worked but a short time until it received its charter, which was on the same date as that when Leavenworth received its charter.

These two Commanderies continued to represent the only organized bodies of Templarism in Kansas until April, 1867, when Grand Master Henry L. Palmer issued a dispensation for the establishment of a Commandery, at Fort Scott, Kansas. For reasons which are not apparent on the pages of written history, this Commandery did not take up active work until December 21, 1867, and the following year on September 18, 1868, a charter was granted by the Grand Encampment.

On March 10, 1868, a dispensation was issued for the establishment of a Commandery at Lawrence, the beautiful city on the banks of the Kaw, which had been the scene of the most bloody, unwarranted and unprovoked massacre of the border ruffian war, Quantrell's Raid. On September 18, 1868, a charter was issued to this Commandery by the Grand Encampment.

Thus, the black and white flag of Templarism was firmly planted in the soil of Kansas, where it has ever since been jealously guarded by valiant Soldiers of the Cross.

On October 18, 1868, seven Sir Knights for Leavenworth Commandery No. 1, stationed at Leavenworth, three Sir Knights from Washington Commandery No. 2, stationed at Atchison, one Sir Knight from Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 3, stationed at Fort Scott and four Sir Knights from DeMolay Commandery No. 4, stationed at Lawrence, met in the city of Lawrence and formulated a petition to the Grand Mas-



H. EM SIR EDWARD W. WELLINGTON.
Grand Commander 1901-1902; Past Commander St.
Aldemar Commandery No. 33.—Ellsworth.



R. EM SIR PERRY M. HOISINGTON.
Grand Commander 1900-1901; Past Commander
Newton Commandery No. 9.—Newton.



EM SIR BESTOR G. BROWN.
Grand Senior Warden; Past Commander Topeka
Commandery No. 5.—Topeka.

**KANSAS—OFFICERS GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES REPRESENTED: TOPEKA NO. 5,
TOPEKA; NEWTON NO. 9, NEWTON; ST. ALDEMAR NO. 33, ELLSWORTH.**

ter of the Grand Encampment for dispensation to organize a Grand Commandery within the State of Kansas. A second meeting was held at the city of Leavenworth, December 29, 1868, at which were present thirteen Sir Knights, nine of whom were representatives of the Commanderies in Kansas and four of whom were visitors. This traditionally unlucky number seems not to have operated against the enthusiasm with which the cause of Templarism was then taken up, or to have dimmed the luster of its achievements since, within the State of Kansas. These representatives proceeded to organize the Grand Commandery of Kansas, by virtue of the dispensation of William Sewall Gardener, then Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. This dispensation was dated December 2, 1868. Officers were elected, by-laws adopted and provisions made for the printing of the proceedings of the meeting.

At the time of the organization of the Grand Commandery the membership of the several Commanderies was as follows: Leavenworth Commandery No. 1 at Leavenworth, 55; Washington Commandery No. 2 at Atchison, 19; Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 3, at Fort Scott, 12; DeMolay Commandery No. 4, at Lawrence, 15, a total of 101.

The First Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held at Leavenworth, October 18, 1869. During the first year of the Grand Commandery's existence a dispensation was issued for the establishment of a Commandery at Topeka, the capital of the State, to be known as Topeka Commandery No. 5. After receiving dispensation this Commandery did but little work, and when the Grand Commandery convened no report having been made of work done, the Committee on New Commanderies recommended that the dispensation of Topeka Commandery be continued. Later in session, however, the delegation from Topeka arrived and made such representation that the action of the Grand Commandery previously had was considered and a charter granted. At the end of the first year's existence as a Grand Commandery the total membership in the State was 113, showing a net gain of 12.

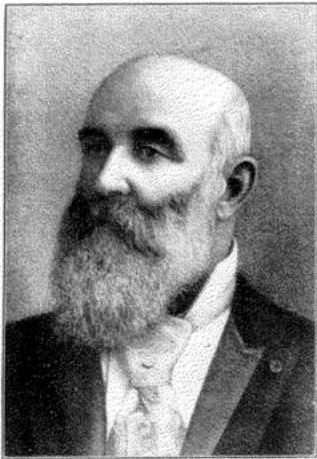
The Second Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery

was held at Atchison, October 17, 1870. No new Commanderies had been established in the meantime, and nothing of importance had transpired. A total membership of 139 was reported, being a net gain of 26. At this Conclave social features were introduced which have for many years characterized the annual gatherings of the Templars of Kansas. The Masonic Fraternity at Atchison tendered an elaborate banquet to the assembled Templar host and discharged the hospitalities of the occasion magnificently.

The Third Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held at Topeka, October 16, 1871. At this date the total membership of the Grand Commandery was 175, showing a net gain during the year of 36 and a net gain of 74 in the three years of the existence of the Grand Commandery. At this Third Annual Conclave the date of meeting was changed from October to May.

On May 8, 1872, the Grand Commandery convened in special Conclave at Leavenworth. After some discussion of tactical matters the subject was referred to a special committee directed to report at the following Annual Conclave. By reason of the change in the date of holding the Annual Conclaves of the Grand Commandery, no election was held in 1872. The day following this special Conclave being Ascension Day, the Grand Commandery under escort of Leavenworth Commandery No. 1, proceeded to the First Methodist Church, where divine services were held appropriate to the day. After these services a banquet was spread and participated in by both the Sir Knights and their ladies. During the post-prandial features of the occasion, a handsome silver tea service was presented to Right Eminent Sir W. O. Gould, the first Grand Commander of Kansas. He and his wife were present at the head of the table and accepted the gift in a gracious manner.

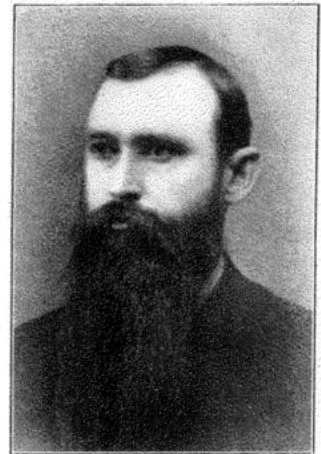
The Fourth Annual Conclave was held in the city of Leavenworth on Wednesday, May 21, 1873. At this date the total membership of the Grand Commandery was 262, showing a gain in eighteen months of 36. At this Annual Conclave the members of the Grand Commandery were hospitably enter-



EM. SIR HENRY C. LOOMIS, 32°.
Commander Winfield Commandery No. 15 —
Winfield.



E. M. SIR PERRY M. HOISINGTON.
Past Commander Newton Commandery No. 9;
Grand Commander 1900-1901—Newton.



SIR JOHN W. ARROWSMITH.
Prelate Winfield Commandery No. 15—Winfield.

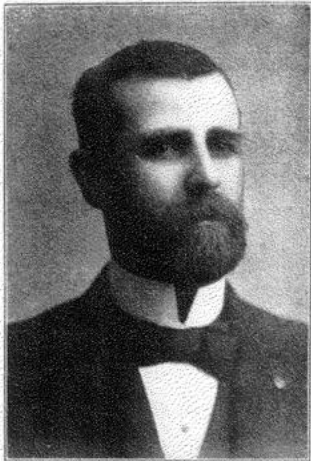
KANSAS—COMMANDERIES: NEWTON NO. 9, NEWTON; WINFIELD NO. 15, WINFIELD.



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM C. HOLMES.
Past Commander Coeur de Lion Commandery
No. 17; Grand Commander 1897-1899—Parsons.



R. EM. SIR EDWARD W. WELLINGTON.
Past Commander St. Aldemar Commandery No.
33; Grand Commander 1901-1902—Ellsworth.



SIR KT. JAMES H. McCALL, 33.
Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 12; Grand Master
A. F. & A. M., 1895-1896—Wichita.



EM. SIR KT. WILLIAM M. MARTIN, M. D.
Commander St. John's Commandery No. 24
—Wellington.

**KANSAS—COMMANDERIES: COEUR DE LION NO. 17, PARSONS; MT. OLIVET NO. 12, WICHITA; ST. JOHN'S NO. 24
WELLINGTON; ST. ALDEMAR NO. 33 ELLSWORTH.**

tained by Past Grand Commander Gould at his residence. On the second day of the session divine services commemorative of the Ascension Day were held, at the conclusion whereof an elaborate banquet was served at one of the hotels of the city, which was attended by the Sir Knights and their ladies.

The next Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held at Lawrence, May 18, 1874. The printed records of the Grand Commandery call this the Sixth Annual Conclave, whereas the previous one had been designed as the fourth. Taking into consideration the special Conclave held May 18, 1872, this enumeration of annual gatherings is correct. During the year a dispensation had been issued for the establishment of Askelon Commandery at Salina, Kansas. A charter was granted at the Annual Conclave at Lawrence, Salina taking the sixth number in order of subordinate Commanderies.

The Seventh Annual Conclave was held at Leavenworth May 15, 1875, all Commanderies being represented, except Hugh de Payens Commandery of Fort Scott. During the year dispensations were granted for the establishment of two Commanderies, Oswego No. 7, at Oswego, and Emporia Commandery No. 8, at Emporia. These Commanderies made report, and were granted charters. The annual returns at this time showed the total membership of the eight Commanderies in the State to be 308, and the estimated value of the property owned at that time was \$6,000. Thus, in eight years Templarism prospered and grew strong. The membership trebled, and the property possessions became quite handsome for a young State.

The Eighth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held at Atchison on the 24th day of May, 1876. All Commanderies were fully represented at this Conclave, and the proceedings were the most extended of any conclave that had previously been held. The year showed a very handsome increase of 33 members, in the eight Commanderies, the total membership being 341, and the annual revenue from per capita tax being \$327.90.

The next Annual Conclave was held at the city of Topeka, May 1, 1877, the Grand Commandery convening in Represent-

tative Hall in the State Capitol then only partially completed. All the Commanderies were again represented, and the total membership reported was 387. This included the membership of Newton Commandery No. 9, dispensation for the institution of which was issued sixteen days before the Grand Commandery convened.

The Tenth Annual Conclave was held at city of Lawrence, May 14, 1878. This was the most important Conclave of the Grand Commandery, which had been held up to that time. Attracted by a competitive drill, and by the ceremonies of the dedication of the Grand Standard of the Grand Commandery, which had been purchased since the last Annual Conclave, the attendance was large. The competitive drill took place on the afternoon of the first day of the Conclave, and was witnessed by the flower of knighthood in Kansas, and a large portion of the population of the beautiful and cultured city of Lawrence. No event in the history of Kansas Templarism had previously transpired that aroused such enthusiasm as this, and the influence thereof was left upon the Order in the State, long after the incident became a matter of history. Only DeMolay Commandery of Lawrence and Topeka Commandery of Topeka, participated in the competitive drill. The Odd Fellows of the city of Lawrence, however, turned out as escort to the Commanderies as did also the cadets from the State University. Throughout and at the conclusion of the drill, the spectators manifested their hearty approval by frequent and vigorous applause. On the evening of the same day in the presence of probably the most distinguished company of Templars ever gathered in Kansas the Grand Standard was dedicated in a ceremony original and ornate. This ceremony became a part of the printed proceedings of the Grand Commandery of that year, and to-day constitutes one of the most valuable portions of Templar history in Kansas. At the conclusion of this ceremony the judges in the competitive drill announced the award in behalf of Topeka Commandery No. 5 of Topeka, and in commemoration thereof presented the Commandery a handsome silver trophy, which has ever since been preserved with reverent admiration by the members of that



SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE
WICHITA, KANSAS.

KANSAS-SCOTTISH RITE TEMPLE-WICHITA.

By Courtesy of Sir Kt. Col. Henry C. Loomis, 33° P. G. M.

Commandery. This is the only trophy ever offered by the Grand Commandery of Kansas and won by one of its subordinates. Later years have produced drill corps, notably those of Newton Commandery No. 9 of Newton, and Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 12 of Wichita, capable of making as creditable or better record on the score sheet, but no achievement of later years has impressed itself on the Templar membership more than did this event that transpired in Lawrence in 1878. The returns for 1878 showed a total membership in the State of 422, two Commanderies having been granted dispensations in April, 1878, just prior to the meeting of the Grand Commandery—St. Bernard No. 10 at Independence; and Tancred No. 11 at Ottawa.

On May 11, 1879, the Eleventh Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery was convened at Emporia. During the year the Grand Commandery and subordinate Commanderies had been called upon to aid the sufferers of the great yellow fever scourge that swept the South that year, and to this appeal most liberal response was made. Membership at the close of the year was 508, and three new Commanderies were established under dispensation and granted charters, viz., Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 12 at Wichita, Hiawatha Commandery No. 13 at Hiawatha, and St. Omer Commandery No. 14 at Great Bend.

To follow the history of the growth of the Grand Commandery of Kansas in detail would be interesting not only to its own members, but as well to those who take pleasure in the creditable achievements of the Order. The limited compass of this sketch will permit only general reference to the years following the first decade of the Grand Commandery's existence. In the first ten years the membership was five times multiplied, and the Commanderies increased from four to fourteen. In the succeeding period (twenty-one years) the membership has grown to 3,321 and the number of Commanderies to 48. New Commanderies were established in the several years as follows: One in 1880, two in 1881, two in 1882, three in 1883, two in 1884, one in 1885, one in 1887, three in 1888,

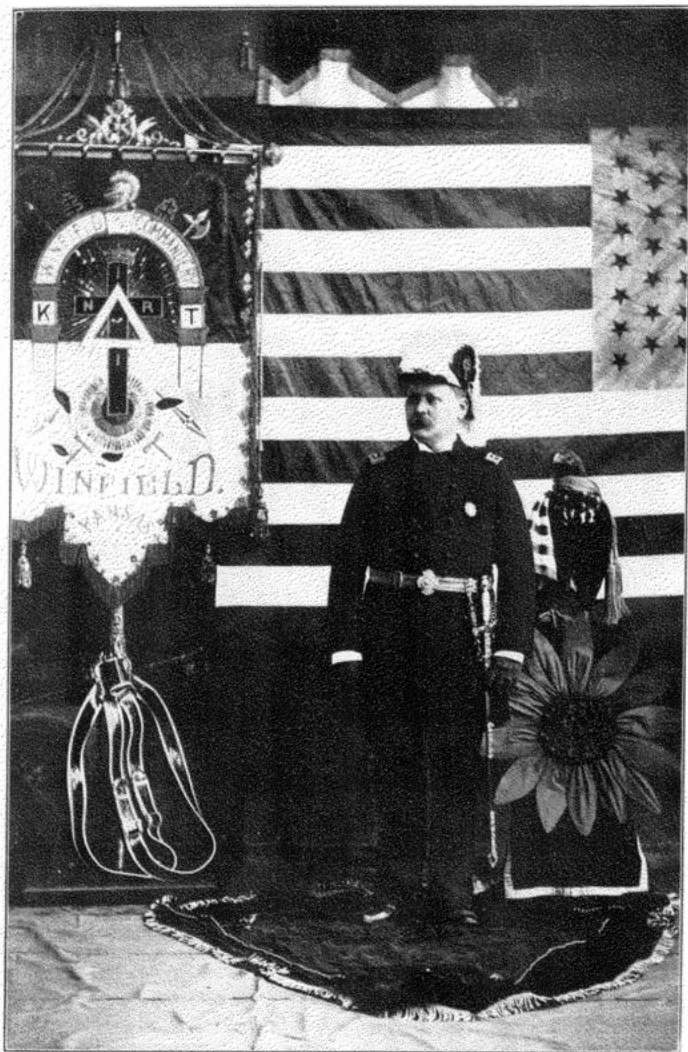
three in 1889, one in 1891, four in 1893, four in 1894, two in 1896, one in 1897, one in 1898, and one in 1899.

Templarism in Kansas has ever been identified with the best and most prominent elements in society. Early in the history of Topeka Commandery the custom was established of annually giving a ball and banquet, which was acknowledged to be the leading social event in the Missouri Valley. It never failed to attract prominent people from the neighboring and larger cities. The growth of the city, and the changes incident thereto led to a discontinuance of this custom at Topeka, but a similar custom prevails with the Commanderies at Ellsworth, Hays City, Sterling, and other points at the present time. The prominence which these events take in their several communities bespeak the consideration that is accorded by the residents of the State to the Order of Templarism.

At the several Triennial Conclaves of the Grand Encampment, Kansas has been well represented, especially at Denver in 1892 when Topeka Commandery had the greatest number of "swords" in line of any Commandery in the United States, Colorado Commanderies excepted.

The drill corps of Newton Commandery No. 9 at Newton, and Mt. Olivet Commandery No. 12 at Wichita have not only been the source of constant inspiration and pleasure at the Annual Conclaves of the Grand Commandery, but have won for themselves and the jurisdiction merited applause, at several Triennial Conclaves.

Of late years the Kansas delegation has been headed by its official band, an organization which has won the most flattering praise for itself, Marshall's Band of Topeka. This organization is composed of sixty non-professional musicians especially skilled in the rendition of concert music. It is an elegantly equipped band composed of gentlemen prominent in business and professional pursuits in the capital city, whose artistic tastes prompt them to maintain their musical organization. A very large number of them are Knights Templar. This official band appeared at the Twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave, held at Louisville, Ky., 1901.



EM. SIR EDWARD F. NELSON.
Past Em. Commander Winfield Commandery No. 15, K. T.—Winfield.



ILLUSTRIOUS ORDER RED CROSS, WINFIELD COMMANDERY
NO. 15, K. T.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Edw. W. Wellington, Ellsworth, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Thomas L. Bond, Salina, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight Chas. J. Webb, Topeka, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight Jno. C. Postlethwaite, Jewell City, Grand Capt. General.
 E. Sir Knight Bestor G. Brown, Topeka, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Thomas G. Fitch, Wichita, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Albert Watkins, Ellsworth, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight W. Frank March, Lawrence, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Thomas J. Anderson, Topeka, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Edgar R. Fulton, Marysville, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight David B. Fuller, Eureka, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Marvin L. Truby, Independence, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight Josiah V. Morgan, Concordia, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

Wm. O. Gould.
 *John H. Brown.
 *John M. Price.
 T. J. Anderson.
 *J. L. Philbrick.
 *Silas E. Sheldon.
 *Owen A. Bassett.
 *B. J. F. Hanna.
 *Ed. D. Hillyer.
 *Dwight Byington.
 A. M. Callaham.
 Samuel R. Peters.
 H. M. Waters.
 *Jacob DeWitt.
 B. E. Langdon.
 *Henry C. Cook.
 J. Jay Buck.
 Theo. P. Rodgers.
 Charles W. Hunt.
 *George W. Port.
 W. S. Corbett.
 Edward C. Culp.
 *Clark Gray.
 Alex. G. Robb.
 R. E. Torrington.
 Wm. C. Holmes.
 Will C. Chaffee.
 Geo. H. Jenkins.
 Edd Hayes.
 P. M. Hoisington.
 E. W. Wellington.

*DECEASED.

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Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
59	1	LEAVENWORTH	Leavenworth	C. C. Goddard	Peter J. Freling
94	2	WASHINGTON	Atchison	Alfred Bindewald	Alva C. Trueblood
42	3	HUGH DE PAYENS	Fort Scott	Fenton L. McDermott	Jos. W. Pinkston
80	4	DEMOLAY	Lawrence	Frederick D. Morse	Jos. T. Shanklin
264	5	TOPEKA	Topeka	Aug. O. Wellman	Luther M. Nellis
76	6	ASKELOX	Salina	George D. Adams	Alex. Berg
59	7	OSWEGO	Oswego	Chas. S. Wilkin	Ed. H. Hughes
121	8	EMPORIA	Emporia	Howard B. Morse	James Smith



KANSAS--EM. SIR HENRY C. LOOMIS, COMMANDER WINFIELD COMMANDERY NO. 15, AND BANNER--WINFIELD.

Kansas Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.—Continued.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
144	9	NEWTON	Newton	M. T. McGraw	Philip Lander
133	10	ST. BERNARD	Independence	Perry S. Hollingsworth	Edw. P. Allen
59	11	TANCRED	Ottawa	Charles W. Esterly	Olin M. Wilber
134	12	MT. OLIVET	Wichita	John Lee Powell	Fred J. Cossitt
70	13	HIAWATHA	Hiawatha	Nathaniel Salisbury	Henry M. Robinson
65	14	ST. OMER	Great Bend	Francis V. Russell	Henry E. Linds
51	15	WINFIELD	Winfield	Henry C. Loomis	Burton W. Trout
42	16	APOLLO	Larned	Wm. Thomas Penrose	Jas. F. Whitney
91	17	COEUR DE LION	Parsons	E. E. Bodwell	Chas. B. Fessenden
37	18	GARFIELD	McPherson	Richard Miller	Alex. C. Spilman
44	19	EL DORADO	El Dorado	John T. Evans	Frank R. Dodge
34	20	CORONADO	Clay Center	Henry P. Campbell	Andrew J. Sleeper
88	21	IVANHOE	Kansas City	Jacob W. Longfellow	Harry M. Wooster
86	22	ST. ELMO	Paola	Richard M. Johnson	John W. Tatham
77	23	CYRENE	Beloit	Wm. J. Keys	Wm. C. Hoffmeister
66	24	ST. JOHNS	Wellington	Wm. M. Martin	
62	25	ABILENE	Abilene	Thomas E. Dewey	Perley B. Ross
94	26	RENO	Hutchinson	John M. Kinkel	Chas. B. Winslow
88	27	ABD-EL-KADER	Fredonia	Peter Reeger	Jacob W. Paulen
37	28	PALESTINE	Girard	John W. Magie	James A. Smith
33	29	MONTJOIE	Pittsburg	Chas. Abner Patmor	Frank E. Mosteller
50	30	ARKANSAS CITY	Arkansas City	Alva N. Brown	Asa S. Brecount
82	31	ALEPPO	Hays City	George A. Lester	Chas. W. Reeder
46	32	COUNCIL GROVE	Council Grove	Mace E. Leatherwood	John T. Jacobs
55	33	ST. ALDEMAR	Ellsworth	George A. Collett	Wm. E. Sheriff
23	34	KINGMAN	Kingman	William H. Child	George J. Bush
68	35	DODGE CITY	Dodge City	Paul Henkel	Joseph H. Swett
44	36	HORTON	Horton	Chas. H. Schneider	H. M. Diefenbacher
81	37	ANTHONY	Anthony	Frederick P. Washburn	H. Lewelyn Jones
42	38	COLUMBIA	Goodland	Benjamin F. Brown	Eugene F. Murphy
48	39	OLATHE	Olathe	William Julien	James D. Dent
51	40	CORINTHIAN	Marysville	Emmett A. Bittel	Wm. Lonegran
62	41	SENECA	Seneca	Abijah Wells	John E. Stillwell
48	42	CONCORDIA	Concordia	Joseph D. Fell	Theodore Laing
67	43	JUNCTION CITY	Junction City	Charles H. Baskin	John Frye Brown
37	44	TEMPLE	Chanute	George N. Lindsay	George W. Reed
40	45	EUREKA	Eureka	Charles W. Shinn	John W. Kenner
38	46	GALENA	Galena	Edw. B. Schermerhorn	John C. Fetterman
57	47	STERLING	Sterling	Herbert K. Lindsley	Joseph T. Tyrrell
52	48	ORIENTAL	Manhattan	George S. Murphy	Clarence E. Bowen



KANSAS-EM. SIR HENRY C. LOOMIS--WINFIELD.

SPEECH OF M. W. HENRY C. LOOMIS ACCEPTING PAST GRAND MASTER'S JEWEL.

Most Worshipful Grand Master:

There are seasons in most men's lives when they are overwhelmed by their environments. In it there are crowded a number of histories and memories. A long train of recollections are set in motion that reach away from the present hour back through the long stretch of years called living. This is such a season and has created such an environment. It reminds me of my long association with the craft, and with the honorable members of this Grand Lodge. It reminds me of the many happy hours spent together in work and healthful pleasure. It reminds me of the honors you have thrust upon me, and may I say that if these laurel wreaths have faded from my brow, as is their nature, they have not faded from my heart. I hold them sacred, and shall ever hold them as a part of the resources of my life.

This act of yours is appreciated, and I accept from you this beautiful memento with a feeling of humility, yet with a feeling of pride; with a feeling of deep humility, because of the consciousness which accompanies it of my unworthiness; with pride because I am equally conscious of the splendid spirit which prompts it. This gift from you possesses intrinsic worth and value. A knight of chivalry or a king, loaded with the honors of peace and war might well be proud to number it with his possessions. It is of intrinsic value, because of what it represents in gilt and gold. Suspended here is the seal of our great State, a State with a name in history for heroic struggle and daring resolve, and never more prosperous and glorious than now. If we have come through difficulties to make our Commonwealth what it now is, the stars are only

the brighter and the air the more rarefied now that we live among the heights.

From us Ingalls has gone forth to make his name immortal by the keenness of his logic and the elegance of his diction. From us Funston has gone to make for himself a name among the world's immortal worthies. These, and hundreds of others, in blessing and enriching themselves have blessed and enriched us. Like the immortal Washington, who is loved by all his countrymen as the father of his country, and is revered by all Masons as a brother, are these men to us. What he is to the nation and the world these are in a measure to us. His life was the embodiment of our teaching. Our teaching became incarnate in him. He was an apt scholar in the Masonic school. And when more than a year ago I stood by the tomb that enshrines his sacred dust, my heart beat with proud emotion that a character so sublime and great, so like a mountain in girth and altitude, so like a vine in tenderness and fragrance, was made at our altars.

Above the seal of the State is the Masonic Home. To us it is one of the great institutions of the whole world. It is a monument to our zeal. Frozen in the cold granite there is the splendid poem of our heart's love. And it should remind us that we should ever be ready to defend the weak, the helpless and the oppressed, and in a brother's cause do all that may be demanded by manhood and fraternity.

Above it is the flag of our country, that proud emblem of liberty and progress. Its every star has risen from seas of trouble and has burst its way through clouds of doubt and the smoke of battle. The field in which these stars scintillate and burn has been purged of all impurity by the blood of martyrs fallen in the hour of triumph. Its stripes, fluttering in the breeze, are emblematic of peace and the price with which

it was purchased. Long may this flag wave out to the multitudes of this earth those virtues that all Masons revere.

Then I see the Holy Bible, the rule and guide of our faith, which all Masons love. It is the stay and staff of our lives; without it there could be no Masonry free and accepted. Here, too, are the working tools of our profession. By them we lay out the plan of our life, and by them we order our character. They are fitting to all, but the more to Masons who have become proficient in their use.

Over them all, and over us, is the All Seeing Eye which metes out life's path for us and guides us in the way of all truth. It is well that we should remember that His loving eye is ever over us.

I appreciate this gift coming from your hands, coming as it does from you, my brethren, and in the opening days of this new century so full of hope and trust. I thank you for it. But it is too much for me, and I must not keep it to myself nor for myself. Sooner or later I must submit to the army of years. Those silent soldiers have never lost a battle. They strike with invisible but irresistible hands. I must soon travel the well trodden path that leads to the grave, a path that is as solid as lead, and in whose weary miles no flowers grow. I can not take this memento with me, and I beg you receive it from me, that it may become the property of this Grand Lodge. This being the first annual communication of this Grand Lodge in the twentieth century, and the dawn of a new era, I take this opportunity to present through you, Most Worshipful, this memento which I prize so highly. Take it, sir; and if it be accepted by the Grand Lodge, I shall appreciate their acceptance of it as I appreciate it as a gift from them.

On motion of Right Worshipful Brother A. H. Ellis, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge accept this memento in the same spirit in which it is tendered, and that it be made the official jewel of this Grand Lodge, and that a picture of it with the address of the donor be printed in the proceedings.



KANSAS—Official Grand Lodge Jewel presented to M. W. Henry C. Loomis by Grand Lodge and in turn presented and accepted by the Grand Lodge Feb. 21, 1901.



EM. SIR WILLIAM C. NELSON.
Past Commander Indivisible Friends Commandery
No. 1—New Orleans.



R. EM. SIR RICHARD LAMBERT.
Grand Recorder; Grand Commander, 1872; Past
Commander Indivisible Friends Com-
mandery No. 1—New Orleans.



R. EM. SIR GRAHAM SURGHNOR.
Recorder Monroe Commandery No. 7; Grand Com-
mander 1900—Monroe.

**LOUISIANA—OFFICERS OF GRAND COMMANDERY. COMMANDERIES: INDIVISIBLE FRIENDS NO. 1, NEW ORLEANS;
MONROE NO. 7, MONROE.**

The Order of the Temple in Louisiana.

By
Richard Lambert,
Grand Recorder and
Past Grand Comman-
der of the Grand Com-
mandery of Louisiana.

Takes us to a period almost
coeval with the birth of this
great Republic.

BUT three years had passed since Gen. Andrew Jackson's cannon, from the bloody battlefield of Chalmette, had told in thunder-tones to an amazed, but listening, world that the mightiest of earth's nations had succumbed to the prowess of American arms, and that the infant republic born amid the storm and strife of 1776, had become a giant.

It was at this time (1815), that a petition was sent to the Grand Master of Knights Templar of New York, asking for letters of authorization to open and hold an encampment of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders in the city of New Orleans, State of Louisiana. There is no record of any dispensation being granted by the Grand Encampment of New York, but a charter was granted by that body on the fourth day of March, 1816, and on the nineteenth day of June, 1817. Indivisible Friends Encampment was formally instituted under said charter. The officers named in that instrument were: Denis Richard Deschanel Desessarts as Illustrious Grand Master; John Pinard as Generalissimo, and John Bertrand Casteres as Captain General. ¹ Its first place of meeting is not known. After the erection of the present Perseverance Hall, corner St. Claude and Dumaine streets, it met there and continued to do so until 1870, when it was removed to the Masonic Temple, which then stood on the site of the present building.

¹ It must be remembered that this was before the era of railroads, swift ocean steamers, telegraphs, or our present conveniences which are so familiar and so essential to our twentieth century existence. The apparently long interval between the application for a charter (1815), its granting (March 4, 1816), and the formal institution on June 19, 1817, can, therefore be readily understood.

The change in location of the old encampment, was not accomplished without frequent, and oftentimes heated, debate, as the old members claimed, and with great truth, that they had agreed to the removal of the old Concorde Chapter of Royal Arch Masons only upon a solemn promise of the English Fraters, that the Commandery should never be moved from its old home and Asylum. It had some years previously lost its distinctively French character, and the change in location alienated "*les vieux Chevaliers Templiers*" and they never after took active part in its affairs.

The last echo of the language in which its ceremonies and labors had been conducted for so many years, comes to us in the address of the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Sir Fulgence Ricau, at the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery in 1869, of which the first and last paragraphs are as follows:

"De nouveau assembles en conclave annuel dans cette asile sacré, pour delibérer sur les interets de notre Ordre en Louisiane, reunissons nous c'est autour du triangle et dans une fervente priere, remercions le Tout Puissant de la grâce qu'il nous à accordée, en n'éclairissant pas trop nos rangs, prions le de vouloir repondre sur nous un doux rayon de cette lumineuse lumiere. Qu'elle nous éclaire, et que de son vif éclat rejaillisse sur nous la paix, la prosperité, de bonheur."

"Recevezles sentiments distingué qui m'animent a votre egard, partent d'un coeur franc, vral, courtois, qu'il vide d'amitié pour vous tous." ²

² "Again assembled in Annual Conclave, in this sacred Asylum, to deliberate on the interests of our Order in Louisiana, let us unite around our triangle and in a fervent prayer thank the All Powerful for the mercy which He has accorded us in not too sensibly diminishing our ranks. Let us pray that He will shed upon us a sweet ray of His light, and that a year of peace, prosperity and happiness will be ours."

"Receive the distinguished sentiments which animate me towards you, as coming from a heart frank, true, courteous, and filled with friendship for all of you."

In 1844 it was, by special order of the Grand Encampment of the United States, attached to that body as an independent Commandery. On February 12, 1864, it assisted in the formation of the Grand Commandery of Louisiana and became No. 1 on its roll.

The many interesting incidents in the checkered career of this Commandery richly deserve a place in the history of Templarism, but must be omitted from this brief and necessarily imperfect sketch. I earnestly hope that, ere it is too late, some abler hand will gather up the skein and from it weave the story of its eighty-four years of active existence.

JACQUES DEMOLAY COMMANDERY NO. 2.

Was organized under dispensation from the Grand Encampment of the United States, on April 27, 1850. The first meeting was held in the Masonic Temple, corner Baronne and Perdido streets, and the officers under dispensation were: Thomas H. Lewis, Grand Commander; James N. McGuire, Generalissimo, and W. W. Johnson, Captain General. It was instituted under charter on May 23, 1851, with W. W. Johnson as Grand Commander; S. S. Selleck as Generalissimo, and R. C. Faulkner as Captain General. Its records show that in the years, just half a century, that have passed, it has steadily pursued the "even tenor of its way." The first Grand Commander of Louisiana was a member of this Commandery.

ORLEANS COMMANDERY NO. 3.

Instituted under dispensation from the Grand Encampment of the United States on May 19, 1860. Officers, under dispensation, were John Quincy Adams Fellows, Eminent Commander; William Johnson, Generalissimo, and Harmon Doane, Captain General. It was instituted under charter on September 4, 1862. First officers under charter: J. Q. A. Fellows, Eminent Commander; Hosea Edwards, Generalissimo; George W. Sizer, Captain General.

It flourished for twenty years then became subjected to retarding influences and on December 18, 1885, consolidated with Jacques DeMolay Commandery No. 2, and ceased to exist as a separate Commandery.

This concludes the first epoch in the history of Templarism in Louisiana and brings us to the

ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY.

From the proceedings of the Grand Commandery of Louisiana of 1864, I take the following account of the formation of the Grand Commandery:

"Pursuant to notice, the representatives of three Commanderies of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders, existing in the State of Louisiana, under charters from the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, assembled in the Asylum of Jacques DeMolay Commandery No. 2, in the city of New Orleans, on Friday, the 12th day of February, A. D., 1864, A. O. 746, at 12 o'clock m., for the purpose of organizing a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders, for the State of Louisiana, the following Sir Knights being present.

Indivisible Friends Commandery No. 1, New Orleans.—Sirs John Henry Holland, Francois Meilleur, Charles P. Crane, Fulgence Ricau, A. A. Pray, J. L. Daussat.

Jacques de Molay Commandery No. 2, New Orleans.—Sirs Henry M. Swasey, Samuel Manning Todd, John C. Smith, John McClure, Stephen S. Selleck, John A. Stevenson, Joseph Pearce, Gustavus Sontag.

Orleans Commandery No. 3, New Orleans.—Sirs J. Q. A. Fellows, Willis P. Coleman, Hosea Edwards, George W. Sizer, Joseph P. Horner.

The warrant received from the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Order authorizing the formation of a State Grand Commandery, for the State of Louisiana, was then read, and is as follows:

OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR,
 BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH, GRAND MASTER.
 OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To All True and Courteous Knights of Our Order:

Know ye, That, whereas, There is now established and existing three Commanderies in the State of Louisiana, holding their authority from the Grand Encampment of the United States, and working under its jurisdiction, to-wit, the Indivisible Friends Commandery No. 1; Jacques DeMolay Commandery No. 2, and Orleans Commandery No. 3.

And, whereas, On behalf of those several Commanderies, it has been duly certified unto me, that they are desirous to form, hold and maintain a Grand Commandery in and for the said State of Louisiana, subordinate to the Grand Encampment of the United States of America: Therefore, I, Benjamin Brown French, Grand Master, as aforesaid, being satisfied that such request is reasonable and proper, by virtue of the high powers in me vested, and in accordance with the Constitution and rules of our Order, do hereby authorize and empower the said Commanderies Nos. 1, 2, 3, in due order, to meet at such time and place as they may agree upon, and form a State Grand Commandery in and for the State of Louisiana, subordinate to our Grand Encampment. Such State Grand Commandery, when so formed, making due return and report to me of all their official doings and proceedings in the premises, and making a like return to our Very Eminent Grand Recorder. And for all their doings, in accordance with the rules and usages of our Order, in forming such State Grand Commandery, this shall be their warrant.

Given under my hand, and private seal, at the city of Washington, this 25th day of January, A. D., 1864, A. O. 746.

[Seal.] B. B. FRENCH, Grand Master.

The following authorization by the Most Eminent Grand Master was then read:

OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND ENCAMP-
 MENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE
 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
 BENJAMIN BROWN FRENCH, GRAND MASTER.

To All True and Courteous Knights Templar, Greeting:

Know ye, That reposing especial confidence in the integrity and the knightly ability of our Worthy Sir John Henry Holland, Knight, I do, by these presents, nominate, constitute and appoint him by proxy, for me, and in my name, as the Grand Master of Knights Templar in the United States, to summon, or otherwise meet the members of the Grand Commandery of Louisiana, at some Asylum in Louisiana, at such time as may be convenient, and then and there to fully organize the same, and to install the officers of such Grand Commandery according to the ancient ritual and usages of the Order, making due return to me of his proceedings in the premises.

Given under my hand, and private seal, at the city of Washington, this 25th day of January, A. D., 1864, A. O. 746.

[Seal.] B. B. FRENCH, Grand Master.

The formation of the Grand Commandery was completed by the election and installation of the following officers: Sir Henry Rufus Swasey, Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir John Quincy Adams Fellows, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Fulgence Ricau, Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir Willis Pierson Coleman, Eminent Grand Captain General; Sir John Henry Holland, Eminent Grand Prelate; Sir Charles Preston Crane, Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir Francois Meilleur, Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir Hosea Edwards, Eminent Grand Treasurer; Sir Samuel Manning Todd, Eminent Grand Recorder; Sir John Christopher Smith, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer; Sir Alfred Arnold Pray, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer; Sir George Washington Sizer, Eminent Grand Warder; Sir Stephen Sidney Selleck, Eminent Grand Captain of the Guards.

The records of the Grand Commandery do not exhibit any-

thing of an eventful character. It has carefully performed its functions as the head of the Order, in this jurisdiction, and observed every knightly courtesy. Since organization it has granted charters to six Commanderies, as follows:

GIRARD COMMANDERY NO. 4, OPELOUSAS.

Formed under dispensation October 17, 1872. Chartered, February 4, 1873. First officers under dispensation and under charter were: Michel Eloi Girard, Eminent Commander; Claudius Mayo, Generalissimo; Jonathan Levi Morris, Captain General. Its career was not successful and on February 15, 1884, its charter was declared forfeited by the Grand Commandery.

BATON ROUGE COMMANDERY NO. 5, BATON ROUGE.

Formed under dispensation November 24, 1881. Chartered, February 17, 1882. First officers, under both instruments, were: James L. Lobdell, Eminent Commander; Denison Stocking, Generalissimo; David N. Barrow, Captain General. It held but few meetings, made no returns for several years, and in 1891 surrendered the charter.

ASCENSION COMMANDERY NO. 6, SHREVEPORT.

Formed under dispensation February 20, 1883. Chartered, February 13, 1884. Officers under dispensation: John W. Jones, Eminent Commander; J. G. McWilliams, Generalissimo; Matthew L. Scovell, Captain General. Its first officers under charter were: John W. Jones, Eminent Commander; J. G. McWilliams, Generalissimo; William Robson, Captain General.

MONROE COMMANDERY NO. 7, MONROE.

Formed under dispensation December 1, 1894. Chartered, February 22, 1895. Officers under dispensation, James B. Illingsworth, Eminent Commander; George D. Chapple, General-

issimo; T. O. Brewer, Captain General. Under charter, James B. Illingsworth, Eminent Commander; John P. Parker, Generalissimo; Graham Surghnor, Captain General.

TRINITY COMMANDERY NO. 8, ALEXANDRIA.

Formed under dispensation February 22, 1898. Chartered, February 17, 1899. First officers under dispensation and also under charter were: Herman Cope Duncan, Eminent Commander; A. T. Allen, Generalissimo; George B. Lee, Captain General.

KENNETH COMMANDERY NO. 9, HAMMOND.

Formed under dispensation as Hammond Commandery July 31, 1900. Chartered as Kenneth Commandery No. 9, February 15, 1901. Officers under dispensation: Robert R. Reid, Eminent Commander; N. Olivieri, Generalissimo; J. B. Adams, Captain General. First officers under charter: Robert R. Reid, Eminent Commander; J. B. Adams, Generalissimo; John Puleston, Captain General.

This completes the roster of Commanderies in Louisiana. A petition for a new Commandery, to be located at Zachary, is now being considered by our Grand Commander.

The present membership in this State is but 332, as shown by last returns. It may not compare favorably, when numerically considered, with the membership of many other jurisdictions, but in earnestness, zeal, enthusiasm, and devotion to the principles of Christian knighthood, it is the peer of any. Surrounded by conditions unknown in other localities, with a total State population not equal to that of some of the great cities of our Union, Templarism in Louisiana has never been found wanting in the performance of any knightly duty. In common with the many thousands enrolled under the "Banner of the Cross," its knights are ready for every demand that may be made, and at the call their swords will be among the first to flash forth "in defense of helpless widows, innocent maidens, destitute orphans, and the Christian religion."

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Joseph J. Hooper, New Orleans, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Herman C. Duncan, Alexandria, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight Henry B. Schreiber, New Orleans, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight E. B. Kemp, New Orleans, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight F. A. Tusten, Shreveport, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight L. C. Allen, Shreveport, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight A. L. Abbott, New Orleans, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight Samuel Alston, P. G. C., New Orleans, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Richard Lambert, P. G. C., New Orleans, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight L. P. Alexander, Monroe, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight E. W. Fisher, New Orleans, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Robert R. Reid, Hammond, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight Henry Lusse, New Orleans, Grand Sentinel.

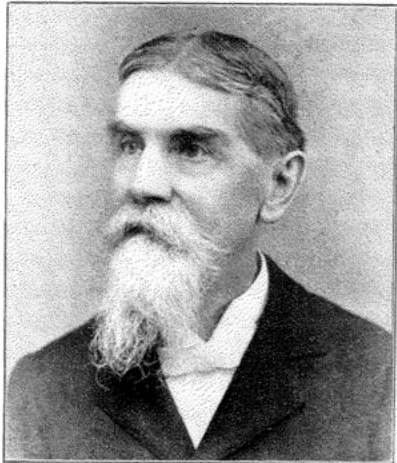
PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Hy. Rufus Swasey.
 *J. Q. A. Fellows.
 Sam'l. M. Todd.
 *Fulgence Ricau.
 *Joseph P. Horner.
 John A. Stevenson.
 Richard Lambert.
 *J. H. DeGrange.
 Berry Russel.
 Samuel Alston.
 Ed. Baker.
 *A. W. Hyatt.
 George Soule.
 Wm. H. Chaffe.
 A. N. Cummings.
 A. L. Abbott.
 A. H. DePass.
 *J. G. McWilliams.
 A. G. Brice.
 David R. Graham.
 D. A. DePass.
 A. S. Badger.
 Samuel Alston.
 Charles F. Buck.
 M. L. Scovel.
 Robert Strong.
 Thomas B. Chase.
 Graham Surghnor.
 Joseph J. Hooper.

*DECEASED.

Louisiana Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
80	1	INDIVISIBLE FRIENDS	New Orleans	E. B. Kemp	John B. Parker
152	2	JACQUES DEMOLAY	New Orleans	Leonard Schneider	John H. Douglas
39	6	ASCENSION	Shreveport	L. C. Allen	A. W. Cheesman
26	7	MONROE	Monroe	L. P. Alexander	G. Surghnor
16	8	TRINITY	Alexandria	H. C. Duncan	A. Wettermark, Jr.
19	9	KENNETH	Hammond	Robt. R. Reid	Thomas W. Cate.
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EM. SIR STEPHEN BERRY.
Grand Recorder; Past Commander Portland Commandery No. 2—Portland.



V. EM. SIR JOSEPH A. LOCKE.
Past Grand Commander; Past Commander St. Albans Commandery No. 8;
Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Encampment U. S. A.—Portland.

**MAINE—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: PORTLAND NO. 2 AND
ST. ALBANS NO. 8 OF PORTLAND.**

The Order of the Temple in Maine.

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Stephen Berry,
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of Maine.

ALTHOUGH the Grand Commandery of Maine does not rank among the oldest, Templary in this State, or what was then the Province of Maine and a part of Massachusetts, goes back nearly to the beginning, for on August 23, 1805, a Council of Knights of the Red Cross was self-constituted at Portland, and was called King Darius Council. On May 29, 1806, this body took a charter of recognition from the United States Grand Encampment, which had been formed in the meantime. In 1816 when the Grand Encampment of the United States was formed, this was one of the eight bodies represented. In 1821, a charter for an encampment of Knights Templar was taken from the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, into which the United States Grand Encampment had merged, and the name was changed to Maine Encampment.

In 1847 a charter was granted to Portland Encampment No. 2 by the Grand Encampment U. S., the Portland Fraters still holding the charter of Maine Encampment, and in 1850 a charter was granted to St. John's Encampment No. 3, at Bangor.

In 1852, on May 5th, a Grand Encampment for Maine was organized at Portland, and in 1854 the charter of Maine Encampment No. 1 was given to Fraters at Gardiner, who had received their Orders in Portland Encampment for that purpose.

In 1857, Bradford No. 4 was instituted at Biddeford; in 1864, Dunlap No. 5 at Bath, and Lewiston No. 6, at Lewiston; in 1865, Trinity No. 7 at Augusta; in 1866, St. Alban No. 8 at

Portland, Claremont No. 9 at Rockland, and DeMolay No. 10 at Skowhegan; in 1867, St. Bernard No. 11 at Eastport; in 1874, St. Omer No. 12 at Waterville; in 1875, Blanquefort No. 13 at Portland (now removed to Ellsworth); in 1882, Palestine No. 14 at Belfast; in 1885, Hugh de Payens No. 15 at Calais; in 1886, DeValois No. 16 at Vinalhaven; in 1887, St. Aldemar No. 17 at Houlton; in 1888, St. Elmo No. 18 at Machias; in 1890, Pilgrim No. 19 at Farmington, and in 1901, St. Amand, U. D., at Kennebunk.

In her almost a century of Templar life Maine has accentuated two valuable points in Templar history. First, that self-constituted Commanderies were not ignored at the beginning, and, secondly, that the Red Cross was supposed at the beginning to be an integral part of the Templar system, for here was a Red Cross Council existing as such for fifteen years, and recognized as a constituent in the formation of the Grand Encampment of the United States. Another point it has demonstrated was that parades in uniform were considered proper, notwithstanding that the opposite idea had prevailed in England, for on July 16, 1845, Maine Encampment uniformed, with Boston Encampment, escorted the Grand Lodge to Brunswick, to lay the corner-stone of King's Chapel for Bowdoin College.

The custom of parading has continued popular in Maine. In 1869, the Grand Commandery had a Field Encampment on one of the islands in Portland harbor, the Commanderies going into tents. The experience was a pleasant one, but it has never been repeated, and now the Commanderies content themselves with one or two annual excursions, and the reception of Commanderies which visit Maine.

Maine is relatively a strong Templar State, for it stands

No. 10 in numerical strength, and one-sixth of its Masons are Templars. The new century finds them as enthusiastic as ever, and the prospects of Templary was never brighter.

Maine has had several distinguished men among her Grand Commanders. Of these Freeman Bradford and Abner B. Thompson were able men and much esteemed in the Grand Encampment in their day. John W. Ballou was a strong man at the New Orleans Triennial. Joseph A. Locke was the chairman of the Denver Ritual Committee, and is the Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Encampment United States and Josiah H. Drummond is the leading Masonic jurist in the world, and is a power in the Grand Encampment.

Other well known Maine Templars have been Robert P. Dunlap, once General High Priest of the General Grand Chapter; John J. Bell, for many years Templar Correspondent, and Ira Berry, Grand Recorder from 1856-1891, when he died at the age of ninety.

In the nineteen chartered Commanderies there are now 3,600 members.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Clayton J. Farrington, Lewiston, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Frederick W. Plaisted, Augusta, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight Frederick C. Thayer, Waterville, Grand Generalissimo.

E. Sir Knight Ermon D. Eastman, Portland, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight Geo. C. Purington, Farmington, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Frank Keizer, Rockland, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Samuel Worcester, Portland, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight Leander W. Fobes, Portland, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight James H. Howes, Belfast, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Hugh R. Chaplin, Bangor, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Edwin F. Vose, Portland, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight Warren O. Carney, Portland, Grand Captain Guards.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Charles B. Smith.	John O'Shaw.
*Joseph C. Stevens.	William J. Burnham.
*Freeman Bradford.	Joseph A. Locke.
*John Williams.	Edwin M. Fuller.
*Abner B. Thompson.	Arlington B. Marston.
*Timothy J. Murray.	Thomas P. Shaw.
*Moses Dodge.	Horace H. Burbank.
Charles H. McLellan.	William J. Landers.
*Henry H. Dickey.	Frederick D. Walls.
John W. Ballou.	Albro E. Chase.
Seth C. Gordon.	*Fritz H. Twitchell.
Augustus B. Farnham.	Frank E. Sleeper.
Josiah H. Drummond.	Herbert Harris.
*John Bird.	Albert M. Spear.
Edward P. Burnham.	Clayton J. Farrington.
Isaac C. Bangs.	

*DECEASED.

Maine Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
133	1	MAINE	Gardiner	Elmer E. Beede	Edwin S. Lincoln
434	2	FORTLAND	Portland	Fred E. Sanborn	John S. Russell
320	3	ST. JOHN'S	Bangor	Philip H. Coombs	John H. Stone
203	4	BRADFORD	Biddeford	Nahum S. Drown	Samuel F. Pacher
258	5	DUNLAP	Bath	Sanford L. Fogg	Albert L. Strout
390	6	LEWISTON	Lewiston	Charles E. Merrill	Arthur C. Sprague
315	7	TRINITY	Augusta	Winfield S. Choate	James E. Blanchard
356	8	ST. ALBAN	Portland	Thomas E. McDonald	William N. Howe
146	9	CLAREMONT	Rockland	Albert W. Hodgkins	Charles E. Meservey
161	10	DEMOULAY	Skowhegan	Elwin E. Sturtevant	William R. G. Estes
75	11	ST. BERNARD	Eastport	Edward M. Small	Frederick E. Nutt
174	12	ST. OMER	Waterville	Charles F. Johnson	Thomas E. Ransted
92	13	BLANQUEFORT	Ellsworth	Elvert E. Parker	Thomas E. Hale
93	14	PALESTINE	Bedfast	S. Augustus Parker	George I. Keating
56	15	HUGH DE PAYENS	Calais	George E. Elliott	Stephen D. Morell
50	16	DE VALOIS	Vinalhaven	Samuel A. Crawford	Charles Littlefield
134	17	ST. ALDEMAR	Houlton	William R. Pipes	Elbridge H. Kidder
77	18	ST. ELMO	Machias	Frank L. Shaw	Thomas G. Albee
123	19	PILGRIM	Farmington	Levi G. Brown	George B. Cragin
10	U.D.	ST. AMAND	Kennebunk	Almon J. Smith	George E. Cousens
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E.M. SIR JOHN H. MILLER.
Grand Recorder; Past Commander Monumental Commandery No. 3—
Baltimore.

MARYLAND—GRAND RECORDER KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Order of the Temple in Maryland.

By
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Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of Maryland.

THE Order of the Temple was first conferred in Maryland, as far as is known, by Encampments Nos. 3 and 13 at Baltimore, and No. 24 at Havre de Grace, a village on the Susquehanna river and about thirty-nine miles distant from Baltimore. These encampments evidently were attached to the Blue Lodges of the same num-

bers, viz.: Washington No. 3; Concordia No. 13, and Zion No. 24, and conferred the Order under the sanction and authority of the warrants of those lodges. The first two lodges are still in existence, while the third became dormant in 1804 and its records were destroyed during the burning of Havre de Grace by the British troops in 1814.

Nothing is known as to when Encampments Nos. 13 and 24 went out of existence, although it was prior to 1805. Encampment No. 3, however, and possibly some of the members of No. 13, became merged into Encampment No. 1 of Maryland, which, assisted with encampments of Pennsylvania, New York and Delaware in the formation of the Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania in 1814, from which it received a charter of recognition and of which it was a constituent for about ten years. The charter of recognition was dated May 2, 1814, and names Philip P. Eckel, Grand Master; Peter Galt, Generalissimo, and Adam Denmead, Captain General, and was signed by William McCorkle, General Grand Master, and attested by George A. Baker, Grand Recorder, and is still in existence, having been preserved from destruction during the disastrous fire that destroyed the Masonic Temple in Baltimore on Christmas Day, 1890, by being locked in the safe of one of the mem-

bers of Maryland Commandery No. 1. Encampment No. 1 had at this time, May 2, 1814, thirty-three members.

Owing to the failure of the Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania to unite with those of New York and Massachusetts and Rhode Island in the formation of the Grand Encampment of the United States, which took place in New York City on June 20, 1816, Encampment No. 1 of Maryland, as a constituent of the Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania, missed the opportunity of assisting in that historical event.

Knight Templary in Maryland became dormant in 1824, but Encampment No. 1 was revived in February, 1828, and on July 4, 1828, formed a part of the procession which assisted in laying the corner-stone of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad. It met irregularly until August 2, 1848, when it took a new lease of life and has since met regularly. Col. Daniel A. Piper was elected Grand Commander on August 2, 1848, and the name changed to Maryland Encampment No. 1. This was changed in 1856 to Maryland Commandery No. 1, and the title of the presiding officer to Eminent Commander.

Col. Daniel A. Piper was the authority on Templar Masonry in Maryland for many years, and it was the work taught by him that was adopted by the Grand Commandery on May 16, 1873, and used until what was known as the "Carson" ritual was promulgated by the Grand Encampment of the United States. He was, also, a member of the Masonic Convention that assembled in Baltimore in 1843, and was for many years the Grand Tyler of the Grand Lodge and an able instructor in all the degrees of Blue Lodge and Templar Masonry.

On September 16, 1859, the Grand Encampment, which was then meeting in Chicago, Ill., granted a charter to Baltimore Commandery No. 2, Past Commander James Stirrat of Mary-

land Commandery No. 1 being the first Eminent Commander. Sir Knight Charles H. Mann, who was knighted in St. John's Commandery No. 4, of Philadelphia, was one of the charter members. He afterwards withdrew and after presiding over a Commandery at Harrisburg, Pa., returned to Baltimore, and became a member of Maryland Commandery No. 1, and the first Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maryland.

The black uniform was worn until 1862, when the white was adopted. This was changed in November, 1887, to the present close buttoned swallow-tail coat and black feathers, baldric and belt. In 1874, the brass buttons were removed in compliance with the edict of Grand Master Fellows in order to conform to the "frock coat" of society. This proved a great blow to the uniforming of the Sir Knights of Maryland, until the adoption of the standing resolution of 1897, which compels every Red Cross Companion to be fully uniformed and equipped before he can receive the orders of the Temple and Malta.

In 1866, a dispensation was granted by the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Sir Knight Henry L. Palmer, to a number of Sir Knights of Baltimore to form a Commandery, which was chartered on September 18, 1868, at St. Louis, as Monumental Commandery No. 3, Sir Knight Alexander S. Wafton being the first Eminent Commander. On the same date a charter was issued to Jacques DeMolay No. 4 of Frederick, Sir Knight George A. Hanson being the first Eminent Commander.

On November 20, 1866, the corner-stone of the New Masonic Temple was laid by the Grand Lodge of Maryland. In the procession was Sir Knight Henry L. Palmer, Grand Master, and four other officers of the Grand Encampment; Sir Knight Jeremiah L. Hutchinson, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, escorted by five Commanderies of his jurisdiction; Sir Knight G. H. Woolman, Deputy Grand Commander, and other Sir Knights of the Grand and Subordinate Commanderies of New Jersey; five Commanderies of Virginia, Washington Commandery No. 1, and Columbia Com-

mandery No. 2, of the District of Columbia; St. Louis Commandery No. 1 of Missouri; detachments of Malta Commandery No. 21, and Geneva Commandery No. 29, of New York, and the three Commanderies of Maryland Nos. 1, 2, and 3, U. D.

As soon as the ceremonies of laying the corner-stone had ended, the visiting Sir Knights were escorted by their Fraters of Baltimore to the "old" Front-street Theater, where a magnificent banquet had been spread for their delectation—over 850 being served, at long tables, which had been arranged on the stage and a floor that had been laid over the parquette, as it was then called, while the numerous bands of music were served in the galleries, after which they visited Holliday Street Theater at the invitation of Bro. Jno. T. Ford, to witness Bro. John Sleeper Clark in "The Member from Pike." The Sir Knights marched into the theater, headed by the Marine band of Washington City, and were greeted by the large audience with cheers, which they as heartily returned.

This event was quite notable, as it was the first large assemblage of the craft of the different jurisdictions since the war that separated the States from 1861 to 1865, and because it was the largest assemblage of uniformed Knights Templar that had gathered together up to that period in this country.

On March 29, 1869, a dispensation was granted by the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, Sir Knight William Sewell Gardner, for the formation of Crusade Commandery No. 5, William E. Hanna, being the first Eminent Commander.

In 1866, upon the organization of Monumental Commandery No. 3, the two junior Commanderies Nos. 2 and 3 began to advocate the formation of a Grand Commandery, but as Maryland Commandery No. 1 did not favor the project, it was abandoned until December 12, 1870, when there being five Commanderies in the State, four chartered and one under dispensation, the principal officers of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 assembled in the Masonic Temple and resolved to form a Grand Commandery and elected the following Grand Officers: Sir Knight Chas. H. Mann (1) Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir Knight Francis Lincoln (3) Very Eminent Deputy Grand Com-

mander; Sir Knight Michael Miller (2) Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir Knight Edward T. Schultz (1) Eminent Grand Captain General; Sir Knight John McCron (1) Eminent Grand Prelate; Sir Knight Byron H. Holmes (3) Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir Knight Herman L. Emmons, Jr. (1) Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir Knight Charles T. Sisco (3) Eminent Grand Treasurer; Sir Knight Frank J. Kugler (2) Eminent Grand Recorder.

The Secretary, Sir Knight Kugler, was directed by the Convention to notify the Grand Master of Knights Templar of the action taken and request him to grant his warrant for the formation of the Grand Commandery of Maryland, after which the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

On January 23, 1871, by virtue of the warrant of Grand Master William Sewell Gardner, Past Grand Commander, Jeremiah L. Hutchinson, of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, as proxy for the Grand Master, duly constituted the Grand Commandery of Maryland. Sir Knight Hutchinson was accompanied by several of the Grand Officers and members of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, who assisted in the ceremonies, at the conclusion of which the visiting Sir Knights were entertained at a banquet at Barnum's Hotel, which was a famous hotel at that time, but long since demolished by the march of improvement.

The Grand Lodge of Masons in Maryland having extended an invitation to the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons and the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States to assemble in Baltimore, a Special Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held in the Asylum, Masonic Temple, on March 8, 1871, for the purpose of making arrangements to receive and entertain the officers and members of the Grand Encampment during the Eighteenth Triennial Conclave, which was held on September 19th to 21st. 1871.

It was during this Triennial Conclave that the hospitality of the citizens of Baltimore made such a favorable impression upon the Order, as the Commanderies stationed in the city not only kept "open house" at their several headquarters, but even

the citizens themselves vied with the Sir Knights in doing honor to their guests by throwing open their homes to them and assisting in entertaining them in many ways.

Banquets, concerts and hops were given at the several Commandery headquarters every evening and standing lunches spread from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m. every day at the same places, to which all the visiting Sir Knights and their ladies were invited. Twenty thousand street-car tickets were purchased and suitably embellished with Masonic and Knight Templar emblems and distributed to them for use, but many were carried away by the visitors as souvenirs. Three steamboats were provided for excursions down the Chesapeake Bay, to which all were invited, and everything done by the Baltimore Commanderies to anticipate the wants of their guests. As one visiting Sir Knight complained: "I have been here four days and have not been able to spend one cent, not even for a street-car ride."

The total expense attending the entertaining during the Eighteenth Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment in Baltimore did not exceed \$22,000, all of which was raised by voluntary subscription, and which looks quite small in comparison with the large amounts now expended. About four thousand four hundred Knights Templar and eight hundred ladies accompanying them were entertained, as well as over eight hundred Royal Arch and Master Masons.

Since the formation of the Grand Commandery a charter has been issued to Crusade Commandery No. 5 at Baltimore, on May 10, 1871, and dispensations and charters to seven Commanderies as follows: January 14, 1873, to Antioch No. 6 at Cumberland, Chas. H. Ohr, Eminent Commander; March 15, 1873, to Palestine No. 7 at Annapolis, Jas. H. Brown, Eminent Commander; May 10, 1876, to Beauseant No. 8, at Baltimore, F. J. S. Gorgas, Eminent Commander; November 27, 1894, to St. Bernard No. 9 at Hagerstown, Wm. H. Ridenour, Eminent Commander; April 15, 1895, to Chesapeake No. 10 at Easton, Edward R. Trippe, Eminent Commander; November 26, 1895, to Thos. J. Shryock No. 11 at Salisbury, Chas. E. Harper, Em-

inent Commander, and St. Elmo No. 12 at Hyattsville, Henry B. Major, Eminent Commander. All of the Commanderies (12) are still in existence and doing good work, although two of the rural Commanderies are quite small in membership. The total number of Knights Templar on the roll on November 1, 1900, was 1,251.

The Grand Commandery of Maryland has been represented at every Triennial Conclave since its organization and has always been true and loyal to the laws and edicts of the Grand Encampment, even when it did not coincide with them, as for instance, Grand Master Fellows' "frock coat of society" edict in the spring of 1874, which nearly destroyed the uniform in the jurisdiction.

In December, 1874, during the Triennial Conclave at New Orleans, the Grand Commandery of Maryland was honored by the election of one of its distinguished members, Past Grand Commander Edward T. Schultz, well known as a Masonic writer and historian, to the exalted station of Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

Sir Knight Charles Clark, Baltimore, R. E. G. Commander.

Sir Knight William Jackson Cunningham, Baltimore, V. E. D. G. Commander.

Sir Knight Nicholas Franklin Burke, Baltimore, E. G. Generalissimo.

Sir Knight Edward Church Regester, Baltimore, E. G. Captain General.

Sir Knight Summerfield Berry Medairy, Baltimore, E. G. Senior Warden.

Sir Knight Daniel James Emich, Baltimore, E. G. Junior Warden.

Sir Knight George Wilhelm Hussell, Baltimore, E. G. Prelate.

Sir Knight Charles McDonald, Jr., P. G. C. Baltimore, E. G. Treasurer.

Sir Knight John Henry Miller, Baltimore, E. G. Recorder.

Sir Knight William Mohr, Baltimore, E. G. Standard Bearer.

Sir Knight Edward Garrott Staley, Baltimore, E. G. Sword Bearer.

Sir Knight Edward Mullins Laing, Baltimore, E. G. Warder.

Sir Knight George Edward French, Baltimore, E. G. Captain of Guard.

Sir Knight Harry Anderson Remley, Baltimore, E. G. Marshal.

Sir Knight Graham Dukehart, P. G. C., Baltimore, E. G. Inspector.

COMMITTEE ON WORK.

Sir Knight George Cook, P. G. C.

Sir Knight Graham Dukehart, P. G. C.

Sir Knight Summerfield Berry Medairy, G. S. W.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Sir Knight John Henry Miller, G. R.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

Graham Dukehart, Baltimore.

*Chas. H. Mann.

*Francis Lincoln.

Edward T. Schultz, Baltimore.

*William F. Adrion.

*Robert K. Martin.

*Henry W. Marston.

*Jacob E. Krebs.

George R. Coffroth, Baltimore.

Ferdinand J. S. Gorgas, Baltimore.

*Christian B. Kleibacker.

William A. Hanway, Baltimore.

*Woodward Abrahams.

Columbus C. Isaacs, Baltimore.

Charles W. Hatter, Baltimore.

J. A. Chas. Kahler, Baltimore.

Chas. McDonald, Jr., Baltimore.

Alfred E. Booth, Baltimore.

Henry O. Reese, Baltimore.

Stephen R. Mason, Baltimore.

William H. Ruby, Towson.

*James P. Clark.

William H. Martin, Baltimore.

*William H. Clark.

George Cook, Baltimore.

Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore.

John W. Snyder, Baltimore.

Lewis H. Uhrig.

*DECEASED.

Maryland Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

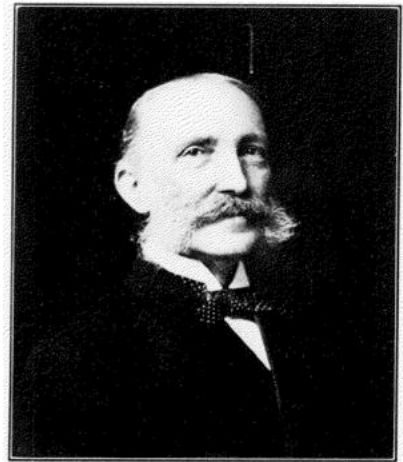
Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
267	1	MARYLAND	Baltimore	John W. Linthicum	Jas. W. Bowers
150	2	BALTIMORE	Baltimore	Harry A. Remley	Henry O. Reese.
167	3	MONUMENTAL	Baltimore	John T. Spicknall	Dr. Samuel Mansfield
60	4	JACQUES DEMOLAY	Frederick	Samuel G. Duvall	W. Nash Young
114	5	CRUSADE	Baltimore	John N. H. Menger	John W. Marshall.
79	6	ANTIOCH	Cumberland	John H. Holzshu	John Wiley De Neen.
23	7	PALESTINE	Annapolis	Louis D. Gassaway	L. J. M. Boyd.
215	8	BEAUSEANT	Baltimore	Clinton Richardson	Wm. H. Martin
53	9	ST. BERNARD	Hagerstown	Geo. R. Hutson	Albert Heard
60	10	CHESAPEAKE	Easton and Cambridge	Samuel Ed. Whitman	Dr. Ed. R. Trippe
27	11	THOMAS J. SHRYOCK	Salisbury	Henry J. G. Byrd	Chas. E. Harper
36	12	ST. ELMO	Hyattsville	Chas. R. Haslup	Frederick A. Holden
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E.M. SIR BENJAMIN WINSLOW ROWELL.
Grand Recorder; Past Commander Olivet Com-
mandery No. 26—Lynn, Mass.



E.M. SIR WALTER A. DAVIS.
Commander Jerusalem Commandery No. 19, 1900-
1901—Fitchburg, Mass.



V. E.M. HENRY W. RUGG.
Past Commander St. John's Commandery No. 1;
Grand Commander 1876-77; Grand Gen-
eralissimo Grand Encampment
U. S. A.—Providence, R. I.

**MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES:
ST. JOHN'S NO. 1, PROVIDENCE, R. I.; JERUSALEM NO. 19, FITCHBURG, MASS.; OLIVET NO. 26, LYNN, MASS.**

The Order of the Temple in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

By
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Rowell,**
Grand Recorder of the
Grand Commandery
of Massachusetts
and Rhode Island.

THE Order in the jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island is first mentioned in the records of the Royal Arch Lodge of Boston, Mass., August 28, 1869, which was set up by the side of the old Lodge of St. Andrew and worked by virtue of the charter of that Lodge, which was loaned to the Royal Arch brethren for that purpose, until the adoption of the present American system of Royal Arch Masonry about 1773. It is an established fact that the Royal Arch system prior to that date consisted as at present of four degrees; that of Excellent Masters which was analogous to the first section of the present Royal Arch Degrees, super Excellent, which was equivalent to the third section; (no Mark, Past, or Most Excellent Master) and High Knight Templar, and the earliest known record in this jurisdiction or country of conferring of the Knights Templar degree or order is contained in this record. There are but few recorded instances of conferring the Order of Knights Templar from that date until the organization of the present system of Templary in Boston and Providence in 1802. The founders of this organization received the Order of the Temple in the Royal Arch Lodge as follows:

Henry Fowle, January 28, 1795; Elisha Sigourney, May 28, 1789; James Harrison, 1796; Hezekiah Hudson, 1796; Joseph Tucker, 1797; Samuel Billings, 1797; Henry Purkitt, 1798; William Bentley, 1800. From August 18, 1769, to December, 1799, it is known from the records that the Order of the Temple was conferred on not less than fifty candidates, among whom were Gen. Joseph Warren, knighted May 14, 1770, and Paul Revere, December 11, 1769, organized and established

Boston Encampment of Knights of the Red Cross on the 12th day of March, 1802, which body was continued until March 15, 1806, when the body was dissolved and an Encampment of Knights Templar and Knights of Malta formed; so identical were these two bodies, the Encampment of 1802, and the Encampment of 1805, that the former, at the time of its dissolution, voted "to present regalia, furniture, etc., to the Encampment of Knights Templar, which is holden at Boston.

In 1802 St. John's Encampment of Providence, R. I., was founded, among those who formed this body was one Sir John Warner, knighted in 1787, whose diploma (now in the archives of St. John's Commandery) reads, "Knighted at the General Assembly held on the field at Concordia." Upon the records of St. John's Encampment of Providence, R. I., under date of August 23, 1802, we find the following: "The knights of the most noble and magnanimous Order of the Red Cross and of Malta, and the order of St. John of Jerusalem, residing in the town of Providence, having at a previous assembly determined that it is proper and expedient for the preservation and promotion of the honor and dignity of the Order of Knighthood, that an encampment should be formed and established in said town, assembled at Masonic Hall, for that purpose, at 7 o'clock, p. m., and the organization was formed.

In 1795, Newburyport Encampment of Knights Templar was established at Newburyport, Mass. Its old records have been lost, and the particulars of its organization can not now be obtained. It was, however, formed by an unconstitutional association of knights.

Darius Council of Knights of the Red Cross was formed August 23, 1805, at Portland, Me. (then part of Massachusetts, becoming an independent State in 1820).

In 1805 on the 6th day of May, a Grand Convention of

Knights Templar was holden in Providence, R. I., when the following measures were proposed and unanimously adopted, viz.:

Resolved, as the sense of this convention, That the formation and establishment of a Grand Encampment of Knights Templar in this State would tend to promote the honor and interests of the Orders of Knighthood and of Masonry.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to devise and report a form of constitution, explanatory of the principles, upon which a Grand Encampment shall be opened.

Resolved, That the convention be adjourned until Monday, the 13th instant, then to meet again in Masons' Hall, in Providence, Rhode Island.

The convention met, agreeably to adjournment, to take into consideration the report of the committee appointed on the 6th instant, which, being read and amended, was unanimously approved and adopted, and the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island and jurisdiction thereunto belonging was formed. Among the names mentioned in the record of this assembly are those of Sir Thomas Smith Webb, of St. John Encampment; Sir Henry Fowle, of Boston Encampment; Sir Jonathan Gage, of Newburyport Encampment; Sir John Carlisle of St. John's Encampment; Sir Nathan Fisher, of St. John's Encampment; Sir William Wilkinson, of St. John's Encampment. At an extra assembly of the Grand Encampment holden in Masons' Hall in Providence, R. I., first Monday in October, 1805, an application was made by St. John's Encampment of Knights Templar, praying for a charter and recognition, which was granted.

At an assembly holden in Providence, R. I., March 3, 1806, the style or title of the body was changed to "The United States Grand Encampment," and the constitution was amended accordingly.

A petition was presented from Boston Encampment, praying for a charter and recognition, which was granted.

At an assembly of the United States Grand Encampment holden in the city of Boston, Mass., May 29, 1806, it was on motion,

Resolved, That the Grand Officers be authorized and directed, whenever the Encampment of High Templars at Newburyport, and Portland, Me., shall petition for charter and recognition, to issue the same accordingly.

On June 17, 1814, a petition was received from Sir Knights at Newport, R. I., for a charter to establish an Encampment in that town, and the petition was granted.

On May 15, 1816, a committee appointed to revise the constitution, reported, amending the title of this grand body, expunging the words, "United States," and substituting therefor, "Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island," and so continued until and including 1868, when the title was changed to Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

In 1824, Worcester County Commandery No. 5 of Worcester, Mass., was chartered; in 1826, Springfield Commandery No. 6, of Springfield, Mass.; in 1848, DeMolay Commandery No. 7, of Boston, Mass.; and in 1849, Holy Sepulchre Commandery No. 8, at Pawtucket, R. I.; 1855, Pilgrim Commandery No. 9 at Lowell, Mass.; 1859, Palestine No. 10 at Chelsea, Mass., Milford No. 11 at Milford, Mass., and St. Bernard No. 12, at Boston, Mass.; 1860, Calvary No. 13 at Providence, R. I.; 1863, Haverhill No. 14 at Haverhill, Mass., and Old Colony No. 15 at Abington, Mass.; 1864, Sutton No. 16 at New Bedford, and Bethany No. 17 at Lawrence, Mass.; 1865, Winslow Lewis No. 18 at Salem, Mass., Jerusalem No. 19 at Fitchburg, Mass., Hugh de Payens No. 20 at Melrose, Mass., St. Omer No. 21 at South Boston, Mass., Berkshire No. 22 at Pittsfield, Mass.; 1866, Connecticut Valley No. 23 at Greenfield, Mass.; 1867, Woonsocket No. 24 at Woonsocket, R. I.; 1868, Godfrey de Bouillon No. 25 at Fall River, Mass.; 1869, Joseph Warren No. 26 at Roxbury, Mass., Narragansett No. 27 at Westerly, R. I.; 1870, William Parkman No. 28, at East Boston, Bristol No. 29 at North Attleboro, Northampton No. 30 at Northampton, South Shore No. 31 at Weymouth, Mass.; 1871, Trinity No. 32 at Hudson, Mass., Natick No. 33 at Natick, Coeur de Lion No. 34 at Charlestown, Mass.; 1872, Gethsemane No. 35

at Newton, Mass.; 1873, Olivet No. 36 at Lynn, Athol No. 37 at Athol, Cyprus No. 38 at Hyde Park, Bay State No. 39 at Brockton, Mass.; 1882, St. Paul No. 40 at North Adams, Mass.; 1886, Beauseant No. 41 at Malden, Mass.; 1890, Cambridge No. 42 at Cambridge, Mass., Bethlehem No. 43 at Gloucester, Mass.; 1892, St. George No. 44 at Beverly, Mass.; 1893, Orange No. 45 at Orange, Mass.; 1897, Ivanhoe No. 46 at Gardner, Mass. The Order in this jurisdiction is in a flourishing condition, having upon its roster forty-six Commanderies with a membership reported October, 1900, of 13,112 Sir Knights.

This Grand Commandery has been honored by the Grand Encampment of the United States by the election to office in that body of many distinguished Fraters who have been zealous laborers in the grand and subordinate bodies of this jurisdiction among whom were the following:

Right Eminent Sir William Sewall Gardner, Grand Master, 1868, and Deputy Grand Master, 1865.

Right Eminent Sir Benjamin Dean, Grand Master in 1880, Grand Generalissimo, 1877, Grand Captain General, 1871.

Right Eminent Sir Thomas Smith Webb (died while in office), Deputy Grand Master, 1816.

Right Eminent Sir Henry Fowle, Deputy Grand Master, 1819; Grand Generalissimo, 1816.

Right Eminent Sir John J. Loring, Grand Generalissimo, 1826; Grand Recorder, 1816-1819.

Right Eminent Sir Josiah Whittaker, Grand Generalissimo, 1829.

Right Eminent Sir Charles W. Moore, Grand Generalissimo, 1850-1853; Grand Captain General, 1847; Grand Sword Bearer, 1844.

Right Eminent Sir Winslow Lewis, Grand Generalissimo, 1859.

Right Eminent Sir Rev. Henry W. Rugg, D. D., Grand Captain General, 1898; Grand Senior Warden, 1895; Grand Junior Warden, 1892.

Right Eminent Sir John Carlisle, Grand Junior Warden, 1816-1819.

Right Eminent Sir Paul Dean, Grand Junior Warden, 1841; Grand Prelate, 1816, 1819, 1835, 1838, 1847 to 1856.

Right Eminent Sir Nicholas Van Slyck (died while in office), Grand Junior Warden, 1889; Grand Sword Bearer, 1886; Grand Warder, 1883.

Right Eminent Sir Peter Grinell, Grand Treasurer, 1816 to 1835.

Right Eminent Sir Edward A. Raymond, Grand Treasurer, 1835 to 1862.

Right Eminent Sir Rev. Ezekiel L. Bascomb, Grand Prelate, 1829.

Right Eminent Sir Rev. T. D. Lambert, Grand Prelate, 1871.

Right Eminent Sir John Snow, Grand Standard Bearer, 1816.

Right Eminent Sir William Field, Grand Standard Bearer, 1853; Grand Sword Bearer, 1850.

Right Eminent Sir Jacob Ameer, Grand Sword Bearer, 1832.

Right Eminent Sir Simon W. Robinson, Grand Sword Bearer, 1835; Grand Warder, 1838 to 1850.

Right Eminent Sir William C. Martin, Grand Captain of Guards, 1838.

Right Eminent Sir H. H. Tuttle, Grand Captain of Guards, 1850.

This Grand Commandery has among its subordinate Commanderies one of the largest numerically of any other Grand Commandery of Templars in the world, viz.: Boston Commandery No. 2 with 955 Sir Knights. It also has other strong subordinates as follows: DeMolay No. 7 of Boston, Mass., 744; St. John's No. 1 of Providence, R. I., 673; Springfield No. 6 of Springfield, Mass., 670; Worcester County No. 5 of Worcester, Mass., 601; Calvary No. 13 of Providence, R. I., 430; Joseph Warren No. 26 of Roxbury, Mass., 425; also six Commanderies with more than 300 each, and seventeen others whose membership is more than 200 each. Every subordinate ever chartered is still in active and flourishing condition.

The Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island holds two Conclaves in each year, a semi-annual in May at Providence, R. I., and the annual at Boston, Mass., in Octo-

ber, at such times as the Right Eminent Grand Commander may determine; the officers are elected at the Annual Conclave.

The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Massachusetts and Rhode Island is the oldest existing Grand Body of Knighthood in the United States. From its formation in 1805 to the present time (although, like the Grand Encampment of the United States, its name has been changed), it has been in uninterrupted existence. It has at no time required any revival to stimulate it into life. Its assemblies have been regularly held, and as its constitution provided. Its records are uniform, continuous; its succession of officers unimpaired. Its jurisdiction (with the exception of the State of Maine), has never been encroached upon, and is the same as in 1805.

Its past officers number some of the most distinguished Masons of the past or present century. In the reputation and working ability of its subordinates, it stands unequalled; while in the high personal character, knightly bearing, loyal devotion to the Order, and chivalrous conduct of its members and those of its subordinate Commanderies it is unrivaled by any similar body of men in America.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901-1902.

- R. E. Sir Knight George E. Hilton, Lynn, Mass., Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight George H. Kenyon, Providence, R. I., Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight Freeman C. Hersey, Boston, Mass., Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Dana J. Flanders, Malden, Mass., Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight Edwin A. Blodgett, Springfield, Mass., Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight E. Bentley Young, Boston, Mass., Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Rev. Chas. T. Morgan, Haverhill, Mass., Grand Prelate.
- E. Sir Knight James H. Upham, Dorchester, Mass., Grand Treasurer.
- E. Sir Knight Benjamin W. Rowell, Lynn, Mass., Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight Charles I. Litchfield, Plymouth, Mass., Grand Standard Bearer.

- E. Sir Knight John D. Monroe, Fall River, Mass., Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight J. Herbert Bowen, Lynn, Mass., Grand Warder.
- E. Sir Knight Charles A. Peabody, Worcester, Mass., Grand Captain of Guards.

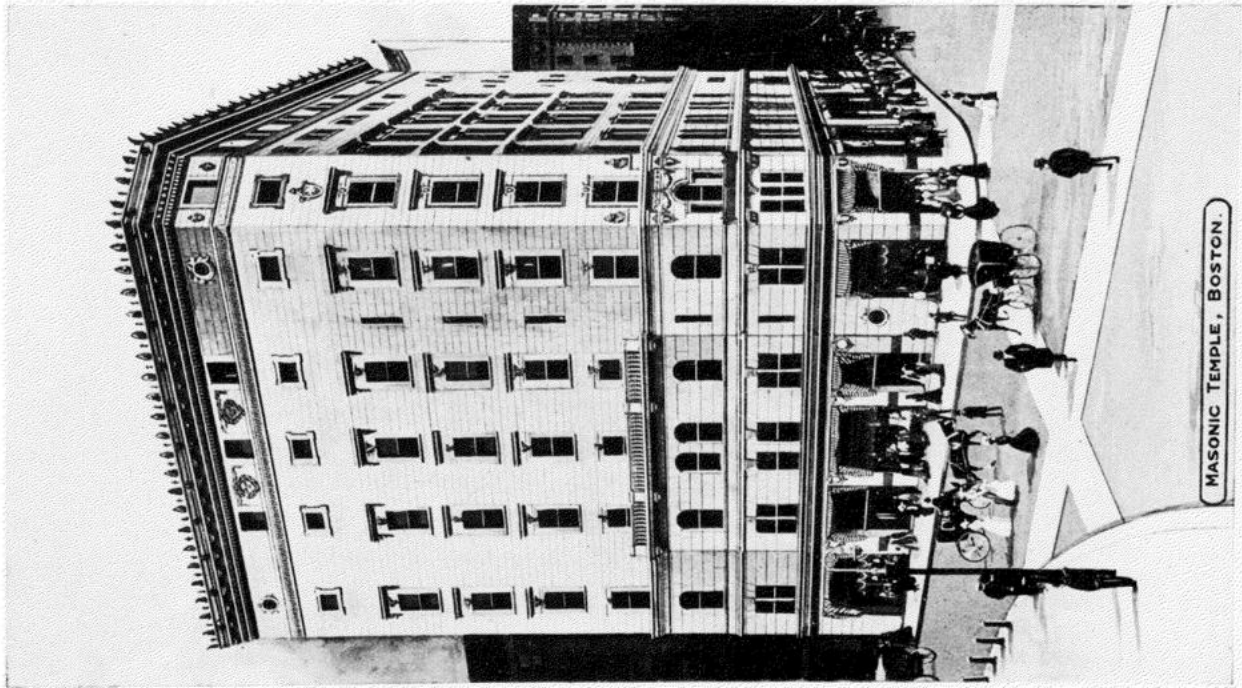
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- E. Sir Knight Thomas J. Evans, Weymouth, Mass.,
- E. Sir Knight Charles A. Estey, East Boston, Mass.,
- E. Sir Knight William E. Wilcox, Pittsfield, Mass., Grand Sentinel.
- E. Sir Knight Rev. Henry W. Rugg, D. D., Providence, R. I., Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

Grand Lecturers.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

- *Thomas Smith Webb.
- *William Wilkinson.
- *Henry Fowle.
- *John Carlile.
- *John James Loring.
- *Robert Lash.
- *Edward Asa Raymond.
- *Abraham Annis Dame.
- *John Hews.
- *Charles Whitlock Moore.
- *John Flint, M. D.
- *John Barrett Hammatt.
- *Ruel Baker.
- *John Rufus Bradford.
- *James Hutchison.
- *Simon Wiggin Robinson.
- *Daniel Harwood, M. D.
- *Winslow Lewis, M. D.
- *William Field.
- *William Ellison.
- *William Sewall Gardner.
- *Rev. Charles Henry Titus.
- *William Wilson Baker.
- *Benjamin Dean.
- *Nicholas Van Slyck.
- Charles A. Stott.
- Rev. Henry W. Rugg.
- *John Dean.
- Nelson W. Aldrich.
- *William H. Kent.
- Caleb Saunders.
- Charles C. Hutchinson.
- George H. Burnham.
- Edward P. Chapin.
- George H. Allen.
- Edward L. Freeman.
- James Swords.
- John P. Sanborn.
- Robert H. Chamberlain.
- William H. H. Soule.
- *Charles C. Fry.
- Samuel C. Lawrence.
- *Eugene H. Richards.
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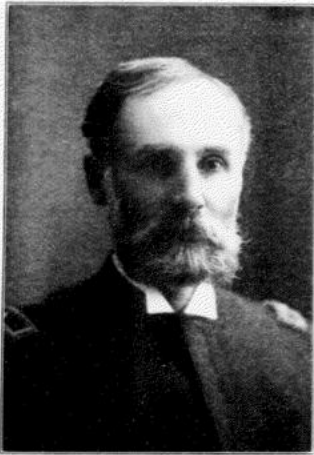
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Massachusetts and Rhode Island Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

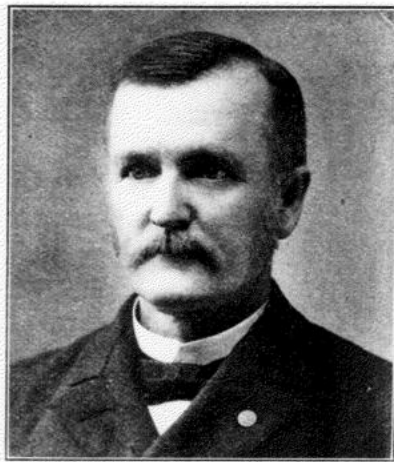
Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
690	1	ST. JOHN'S	Providence, R. I.	Henry A. Carpenter	Franklin A. Smith
950	2	BOSTON	Boston, Mass.	John H. Bowker	J. Gilman Waite
161	3	NEWBURYPORT	Newburyport, Mass.	Benjamin F. Warton	Geo. H. Stevens
204	4	WASHINGTON	Newport, R. I.	Thomas J. Pierce	David Stevens
616	5	WORCESTER COUNTY	Worcester, Mass.	Arthur H. Burton	William S. Dadmun
681	6	SPRINGFIELD	Springfield, Mass.	Thomas C. Hawks	George B. Miller
752	7	DEMOLAY	Boston, Mass.	Edward L. Rugg	Charles R. Magee
291	8	HOLY SEPULCHRE	Pawtucket, R. I.	John T. Oldham	William H. Barclay
353	9	PILGRIM	Lowell, Mass.	Frank K. Stearns	J. W. B. Shaw
273	10	PALESTINE	Chelsea, Mass.	Elmer L. French	Chas. S. Beatley
242	11	MILFORD	Milford, Mass.	Aaron H. Mayhew	S. C. Sumner
88	12	ST. BERNARD	Boston, Mass.	James T. Soutter	Thomas W. Davis
414	13	CALVARY	Providence, R. I.	Joseph Baker, Jr.	Chas. S. Pettee
263	14	HAVERTHILL	Haverhill, Mass.	William L. Smart	H. Parker Williams
180	15	OLD COLONY	Abington, Mass.	Ernest W. Calkins	David V. Poole
314	16	SUTTON	New Bedford, Mass.	William Deacon	Wm. M. Thorup
299	17	BETHANY	Lawrence, Mass.	H. L. Sherman	Wm. L. McDavitt
219	18	WINSLOW LEWIS	Salem, Mass.	Horace N. Smith	Wm. H. Rollins
246	19	JERUSALEM	Fitchburg, Mass.	E. D. Moody	Frank D. Page
366	20	HUGH DE PAYENS	Melrose, Mass.	Joseph A. Pierce	Calvin W. Sawyer
272	21	ST. OMER	South Boston, Mass.	T. F. Christian	William Morris
158	22	PERKSHIRE	Pittsfield, Mass.	James C. Clifford	Wm. T. Petherbridge
180	23	CONNECTICUT VALLEY	Greenfield, Mass.	Charles W. Schuler	John D. Bouker
253	24	WOONSOCKET	Woonsocket, R. I.	Stephen Magown	Harry H. Wardle
217	25	GODFREY DE BOUILLON	Fall River, Mass.	Herbert S. Weedon	Wm. E. Blossom
443	26	JOSEPH WARREN	Roxbury, Mass.	Silas W. Brackett	Wm. H. Gerrish
122	27	NARRAGANSETT	Westerly, R. I.	Charles M. Barbour	S. C. Burdick
376	28	WILLIAM PARKMAN	East Boston, Mass.	John W. Dicker	Edward H. Morse
206	29	BRISTOL	N. Attleboro, Mass.	Henry H. Curtis	Geo. H. Herrick
159	30	NORTHAMPTON	Northampton, Mass.	Eugene E. Davis	David C. Crafts
249	31	SOUTH SHORE	E. Weymouth, Mass.	Eben H. Cain	Frank H. Mason
221	32	TRINITY	Hudson, Mass.	F. A. Morse	George B. Cochran
183	33	NATICK	Natick, Mass.	Charles C. Henry	Willard W. Wright
401	34	COEUR DE LION	Charlestown, Mass.	Wm. H. Cushman	Wm. L. Barber
301	35	GETHESEMANE	Newtonville, Mass.	Frank L. Nagle	Asa C. Jewett

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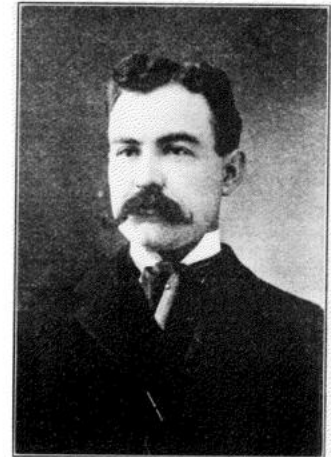
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258	36	OLIVET	Lynn, Mass.	Frank P. Bubier	J. Frank Pool
130	37	ATHOL	Athol, Mass.	Will S. Hinman	Festus G. Amsden
337	38	BAY STATE	Brockton, Mass.	Myron L. Keith	Henry C. Gurney
244	39	CYPRUS	Hyde Park, Mass.	William H. Barrett	Daniel E. Cluff
142	40	ST. PAUL	North Adams, Mass.	Edward M. Meekens	Junius B. Temple
293	41	BEAUSEANT	Malden, Mass.	Walter F. Medding	A. W. Hutchins
235	42	CAMBRIDGE	Cambridge, Mass.	Charles H. Morse	Chas. M. Pear
116	43	BETHLEHEM	Gloucester, Mass.	Conrad R. Hanson	S. D. Hildreth
113	44	ST. GEORGE	Beverly, Mass.	Wallace P. Hood	W. C. Hill
110	45	ORANGE	Orange, Mass.	Dexter L. Crandall	George H. Best
85	46	IVANHOE	Gardner, Mass.	Frank W. Smith	Josiah H. Whiting
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R. EM. SIR CHARLES R. HAWLEY,
Grand Commander 1901-02; Past Commander Bay
City Commandery No. 26—Bay City.



R. EM. SIR HENRY L. ANTHONY.
Grand Recorder; Grand Commander 1898; Past
Commander Columbia Commandery No.
18—Sturgis.



EM. SIR CHARLES G. GRAHAM.
Commander Ithaca Commandery No. 40—Ithaca.

**MICHIGAN—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: COLUMBIA NO. 18,
STURGIS; BAY CITY NO. 26, BAY CITY; ITHACA NO. 40, ITHACA.**

The Order of the Temple in Michigan.

By
Henry L. Anthony,
Grand Recorder
and
Past Grand Commander
of the
Grand Commandery
of Michigan.

THE first known record of any organization of Knights Templar in this State was made when Sir Knight E. Smith Lee and a few Sir Knights associated with him on September 12, 1850, petitioned the Most Eminent Grand Master of the United States to form and open in the city of Detroit an encampment of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders to be known as Detroit Encampment No. 1 and to be subordinate to the Grand Encampment. And on the 8th day of January, 1851, the first encampment of Knights Templar was organized, nearly every Sir Knight in the State being present, in order to make the requisite number to open a Commandery.

Pontiac Commandery No. 2 of Pontiac received a dispensation from the Grand Master in March 25, 1852. Eureka Commandery No. 3 of Hillsdale was opened on the 16th day of March, 1854, under authority granted by a dispensation from the same source. At the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment, held in September, 1853, these three Commanderies or Encampments, as they were then called, received their charters.

During the succeeding three years dispensations were issued by Grand Master Hubbard to the following named encampments: Peninsular Encampment, Kalamazoo, March 3, 1856; Monroe Encampment, Monroe, March 29, 1856; DeMolay Encampment, Grand Rapids, May 9, 1856, and at the Triennial, held in September of the same year, charters were granted them.

On January 15, 1857, pursuant to a call signed by the of-

ficers of Detroit Commandery No. 1, Pontiac Commandery No. 2, Eureka Commandery No. 3, Monroe Commandery No. 5, DeMolay Commandery No. 6, a convention was called to meet in the Asylum of Detroit Commandery No. 1 in the city of Detroit, to take steps looking to the formation of a State Grand Commandery, upon receipt of the necessary authority from Most Eminent Grand Master William B. Hubbard. Out of the twenty-two Knights Templar who composed this convention, the writer believes there is only one now living, he being the honored and loved Eminent Grand Prelate of the present Grand Commandery, Rev. Francis A. Blades.

On April 7, 1857, representatives from all of the Commanderies then in existence in the State, with the exception of Peninsular of Kalamazoo, who decided for the present to remain under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment, met pursuant to call at the Asylum of Detroit Commandery and by authority of a warrant issued by Grand Master Hubbard dated at Columbus, Ohio, February 12, 1857, formed and opened the first Grand Commandery of the State of Michigan, elected its officers, and transacted such business as was deemed necessary.

The following is a list of the officers chosen: Sir John Gilbert, Jr., of Detroit, Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir E. D. Cone, of Hillsdale, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Wm. P. Innes, of Grand Rapids, Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir James Darrah, of Monroe, Eminent Grand Captain General; Sir Rev. D. C. Jacokes, of Pontiac, Eminent Grand Prelate; Sir G. W. Wilson, of Lyons, Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir T. A. Flower, of Pontiac, Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir Wm. Barclay, of Detroit, Eminent Grand Treasurer; Sir Thomas Anderson, of Detroit, Eminent Grand

Recorder; Sir Franklin French, of Hillsdale, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer; Sir J. M. Oliver, of Monroe, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer; Sir L. R. Atwater, of Grand Rapids, Eminent Grand Warder; Sir C. D. Howard, of Detroit, Eminent Grand Captain of the Guards.

At the conclusion of the work of this Conclave the Grand Commandery adjourned, and was again called together by the Grand Commander on January 11, 1858, when the Grand Commandery was opened and its officers installed by the Most Eminent Grand Master, Sir William B. Hubbard.

After listening to an address from the Grand Master, who evinced the deepest solicitude for the future growth and prosperity of the Grand Commandery it was again closed to meet in Annual Conclave on the first Tuesday in June of same year.

Thus was the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Michigan under the careful guidance of the pioneers in the Order successfully started on its journey of now nearly half a century.

The fervent wishes of Grand Master Hubbard have been more than realized. Its prosperity has been all that its fondest lover could have wished, and its growth steady and continuous from the first, and now numbers a membership of 5,880. The membership of the Order of the Temple in Michigan as elsewhere is made up of the flower of manhood, men who are always and everywhere found in the van, laboring for the upbuilding of the Order, and as a natural sequence the uplifting and betterment of the race.

Its officers from first to last have been of the highest character. No stain has ever rested upon the name of any officer of the Grand Commandery of Michigan. The names of its present officers are:

Sir Charles R. Hawley, Bay City, R. E. Grand Commander.
 Sir James Findlater, Detroit, V. E. Deputy Grand Commander.
 Sir Thomas E. Borden, Saginaw, E. Grand Generalissimo.
 Sir Richard D. Swartout, Grand Rapids, E. Grand Captain General.
 Sir Frank C. Holmes, Alpena, E. Grand Senior Warden.
 Sir Joseph H. Crawford, Flint, E. Grand Junior Warden.
 Sir and Rev. Francis A. Blades, Detroit, E. Grand Prelate.
 Sir Charles H. Pomeroy, Saginaw, E. Grand Treasurer.
 Sir Henry L. Anthony, Sturgis, E. Grand Recorder.
 Sir Charles A. Warren, Detroit, E. Grand Standard Bearer.
 Sir Fred N. Bonine, Niles, E. Grand Sword Bearer.
 Sir Hutson B. Colman, Kalamazoo, E. Grand Warder.
 Sir Andrew J. Brow, Detroit, E. Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*John Gilbert, Jr.	William B. Wilson.
*Nathaniel P. Jacobs.	George W. Chandler.
*William P. Innes.	*Charles E. Grisson.
*Francis Darrow.	*Jesse E. Saxton.
*John Clark.	*Heman N. Moore.
*Luman R. Atwater.	R. Allen Hall.
Benjamin Porter.	William S. Lawrence.
*Garra B. Noble.	Thomas H. Williams.
*Seamon L. Dart.	Charles P. Bigelow.
*Edward D. Benedict.	John A. Gerow.
*John H. Armstrong.	William G. Doty.
*Theron A. Flower.	Edward C. Smith.
John L. Mitchell.	Jefferson S. Conover.
*Irving M. Smith.	Henry L. Anthony.
Oliver L. Spaulding.	Charles H. Pomeroy.
Ellery I. Garfield.	William E. Jewett.
Leonard H. Randall.	Edward D. Wheeler.
Salmon S. Mathews.	*Albert Styles.
Samuel C. Randall.	Francis M. Moore.
Hugh McCurdy.	Eugene P. Robertson.
*Hollis F. Knapp.	Philip T. Van Zile.
*Frank Henderson.	Charles R. Hawley.

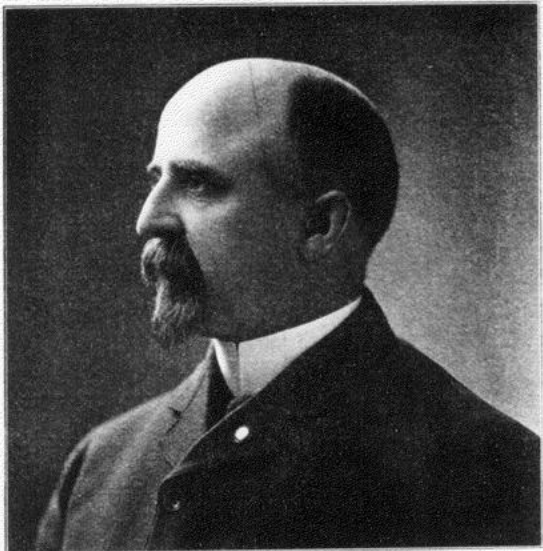
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Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
468	1	DETROIT	Detroit	William H. Kessler	Frank K. Wakefield
102	2	PONTIAC	Pontiac	Wm. H. Morgan	Geo. W. Dickinson
112	3	EUREKA	Hillsdale	Frank M. Gier	Morris Lamb
207	4	ADRIAN	Adrian	G. W. Armstrong	J. B. Richards
304	5	DEMOLAY	Grand Rapids	John Rawson	H. C. Taft
89	6	ROMEO	Romeo	Levant Bedell	James Gray
135	7	PORT HURON	Port Huron	John Rudge	W. F. Lewis
236	8	PENINSULAR	Kalamazoo	Hutson B. Colman	Henry W. Buechner
236	9	JACKSON	Jackson	Sam W. Winchester	A. D. Lathrop
102	10	JACOBS	Coldwater	Chas. E. Fanning	Geo. M. Drummond
94	11	IONIA	Ionia	Loren C. Fales	Chas. H. Mandeville
127	12	NILES	Niles	Harry L. Fox	E. C. Griffin
203	13	ANN ARBOR	Ann Arbor	Norman D. Gates	Alvick A. Pearson
66	14	FENTON	Fenton	Louis D. Remington	Chas. S. Eddy
221	15	GENESEE	Flint	C. S. H. Chase	C. B. Leland
194	16	ST. BERNARD	Saginaw	Andrew J. Lynd	Wm. Wallace
102	17	MARSHALL	Marshall	Samuel F. Dobbins	Edward Austin
48	18	COLUMBIA	Sturgis	M. E. Aulsbrook	Henry S. Church
49	19	MONBOE	Monroe	Clinton B. Southworth	Addis E. Dunbar
175	21	CORUNNA	Corunna	H. B. McLaughlin	Rudolph Colby
161	22	MUSKEGON	Muskegon	J. Charles Ireland	Wm. McComb
89	23	PILGRIM	Big Rapids	L. S. Griswold	Charlie Gay
117	24	ST. JOHN'S	St. Johns	Fred A. Swain	J. B. Henderson
119	25	LANSING	Lansing	Chas. M. Blakeslee	Wm. Ennis
235	26	BAY CITY	Bay City	Chas. Cottrell	Louis Goeschel
90	27	LEXINGTON	Lexington	Rudolph Pabst	Arthur W. Fenton
68	28	HOWELL	Howell	Oliver L. Davis	Wm. E. Beach
92	29	THREE RIVERS	Three Rivers	Melfert W. Lott	S. A. Greenwood
134	30	LAKE SUPERIOR	Marquette	John S. Bradford	Samuel M. Billings
70	31	APOLLO	Ludington	Henry B. Smith	A. D. Woodward
80	32	MANISTEE	Manistee	William H. Nuttall	John W. Sibbon
113	33	BATTLE CREEK	Battle Creek	W. G. Coburn	J. F. Raynes
98	34	ALPENA	Alpena	James C. Walker	Adam Ludewig
91	35	MENOMINEE	Menominee	Robt. G. Marriner	Leopold Jackman
70	36	IVANHOE	Petoskey	M. Earl Brackett	F. S. Vincent
113	37	CHARLOTTE	Charlotte	Horace S. Maynard	F. H. Pollard

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Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
152	38	MONTROSE	Calumet	Judson P. North	W. S. Whisler
55	39	NORTHVILLE	Northville	R. M. Johnson	Wm. T. Gurr
64	40	ITHACA	Ithaca	C. G. Graham	C. M. Brown
65	41	TRAVERSE CITY	Traverse City	W. W. Smith	Samuel Garland
208	42	DAMASCUS	Detroit	Wm. H. Wetherbee	Stephen B. Macklem
41	43	HUGH McCURDY	Crystal Falls	John Erikson	Louis F. Johnson
124	44	MALTA	Benton Harbor	John T. Owens	Geo. W. Fales
75	45	SAULT STE. MARIE	Sault Ste. Marie	Geo. Blank	E. E. Ferguson
34	46	GOGEBIC	Ironwood	John C. Yates	W. W. Turner
52	47	ESCANABA	Escanaba	O. B. Fuller	Chas. M. Thatcher
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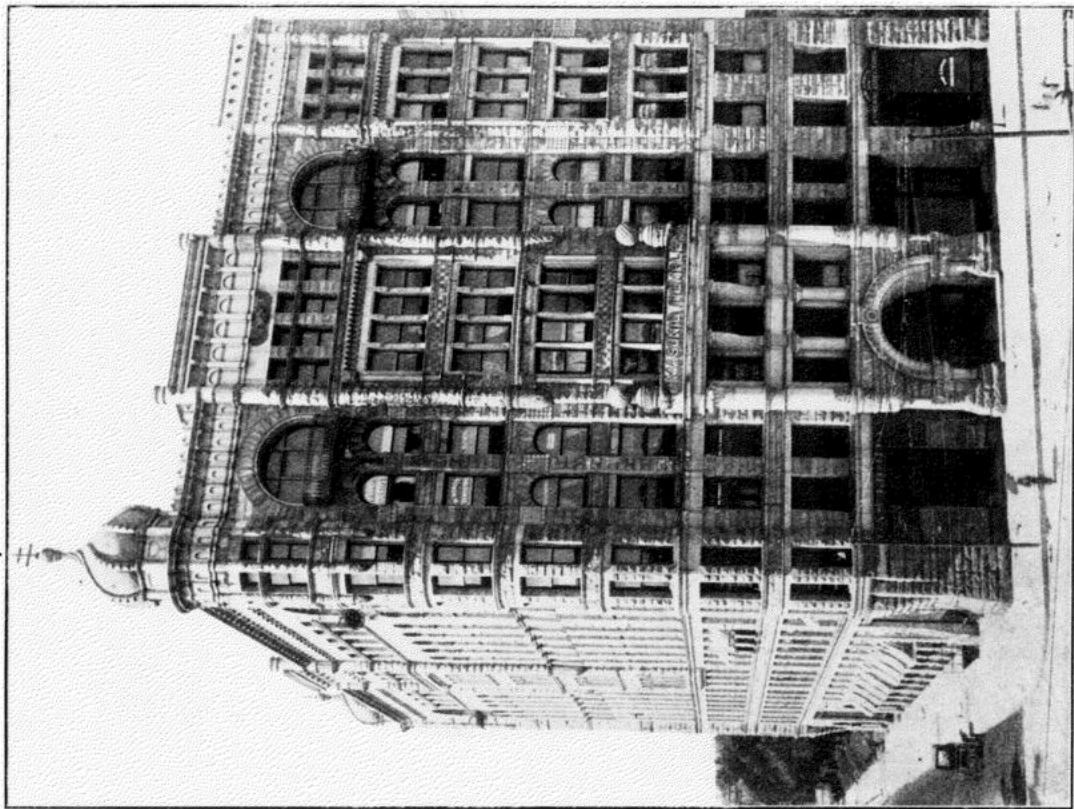


R. EM. JEHIEL W. CHAMBERLIN, M. D.
Grand Commander 1901-02—St. Paul.



EM. SIR SAMUEL S. KILVINGTON, M. D.
Grand Generalissimo 1901-02 (elected Deputy Grand Commander May,
1902)—Minneapolis.

MINNESOTA—GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.



MINNESOTA--MASONIC TEMPLE, MINNEAPOLIS.

The Order of the Temple in Minnesota.

By
**Thos. G
Montgomery,**
Grand Recorder
and Past Grand Com-
mander of the
Grand Commandery
of Minnesota.

A convention composed of the representatives of the four Commanderies in the State at the time, was held in Masonic Hall in the city of St. Paul, on Monday, October 23, 1865, for the purpose of forming a Grand Commandery. It was held by authority of a warrant dated October 19, 1865, from Henry L. Palmer, then Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States. Alfred E. Ames, of Minneapolis, was called to the chair and E. D. B. Porter, of Mankato, was chosen Secretary. A constitution was adopted, the convention adjourned, and Grand Master Palmer being present, the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Minnesota was opened, and Grand Officers elected and installed. Sir Knight George W. Prescott, of St. Paul, was the first Grand Commander.

The four Commanderies above referred to were stationed at St. Paul, Minneapolis, Winona, and Mankato. Damascus No. 1, of St. Paul, was organized under dispensation, dated July 8, 1856, from Wm. B. Hubbard, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States. The petitioners for same were: Azariah T. C. Pierson, Andrew J. Whitney, William Paist, Thos. J. Lombard, Sylvanus Patridge, J. W. Lynde, Alfred E. Ames, Samuel E. Adams, and John W. Boxell. A. T. C. Pierson was the first Commander. Within two weeks thirteen Sir Knights had been created. The Grand Encampment granted them a charter September 9, 1856, at which time they had twenty-three members.

Zion No. 2 of Minneapolis received a dispensation, dated May 19, 1863, from B. B. French, Grand Master. There were

eleven petitioners for same. Alfred E. Ames was the first Commander. Their charter was granted September 6, 1865, at which time they had fifty-eight members.

Coeur de Lion No. 3 of Winona was organized under dispensation dated May 13, 1864, from B. B. French, Grand Master. There were nine petitioners. Warren Powers was the first Commander. Their charter was granted September 6, 1865, at which time their enrollment was fifty-four.

Mankato No. 4 of Mankato also received a dispensation from Grand Master B. B. French, dated April 5, 1865. Ira Hawley was the first Grand Commander. They received a charter from the Grand Encampment dated September 6, 1865, at which time they had nineteen members.

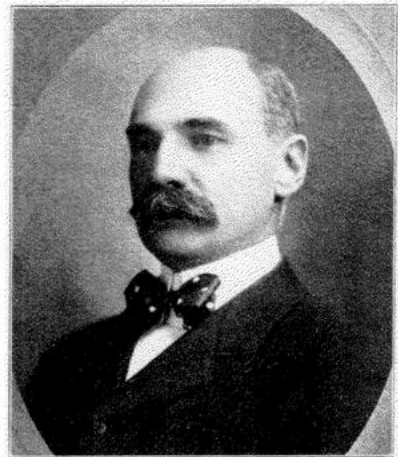
At the time the Grand Commandery was organized, these Commanderies had an enrollment respectively as follows: No. 1, 100; No. 2, 58; No. 3, 54; No. 4, 20. At the present time (April, 1901), their enrollment of members is: No. 1, 566; No. 2, 903; No. 3, 225; No. 4, 225, and their actual membership is: No. 1, 171; No. 2, 407; No. 3, 72; No. 4, 96.

From this beginning in 1865, the Grand Commandery has increased to 26 chartered Commanderies and 2 under dispensation in 1901, with over 2,800 members left out of an enrollment of nearly 5,200.

The other Commanderies with location and date of charter are as follows: Home No. 5, Rochester, June 24, 1868; Lake City No. 6, Lake City, June 24, 1870; Darius No. 7, Minneapolis, June 24, 1871; Faribault No. 8, Faribault, June 24, 1874; Cyrene No. 9, Owatonna, June 24, 1874; Red Wing No. 10, Red Wing, June 24, 1874; Bayard No. 11, Stillwater, June 25, 1878; Apollo No. 12, Albert Lea, June 24, 1870; St. Bernard No. 13, Austin, June 24, 1880; Palestine No. 14, Fergus Falls, June 26,



R. EM. ROLAND HILL HARTLEY.
Deputy Grand Commander 1901 (elected Grand Commander May,
1902)—Minneapolis.



EM. SIR GEORGE W. BUCK.
Grand Captain General—Duluth.

MINNESOTA--GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.



EM. SIR EDWARD P. SANBORN.
Grand Senior Warden; Past Commander and Pre-
late Damasens Commandery No. 1—St. Paul.



EM. SIR CHARLES L. WEST.
Grand Junior Warden; Past Commander St. Ber-
nard Commandery No. 13; Past High Priest;
Past Deputy Grand Master F. & A. M.
—Austin.



R. EM. SIR THOMAS MONTGOMERY.
Grand Recorder Grand Commander 1887-88
—St. Paul.

MINNESOTA--GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

1883; Redwood Falls No. 15, Redwood Falls, June 25, 1884; Ascalon No. 16, Brainerd, June 25, 1884; Melita No. 17, Leitchfield, June 24, 1885; Duluth No. 18, Duluth, June 24, 1886; Bethel No. 19, Morris, June 24, 1887; Constantine No. 20, Crookston, June 24, 1888; Paladin No. 21, St. Paul, June 25, 1889; Luverne No. 22, Luverne, June 24, 1891; Minneapolis Mounted No. 23, Minneapolis, June 24, 1892; Nazarine No. 24, St. Cloud, June 24, 1892; Malta No. 25, Preston, June 25, 1894; DeMolay No. 26, New Ulm, April 24, 1901.

An escort has been furnished the Grand Lodge on about twenty different occasions, at the laying of corner-stones of churches and public buildings. There have been several parades participated in by a number of Commanderies at various times, the largest in 1884, when 700 Sir Knights led by eleven bands of music paraded in Minneapolis.

Damascus No. 1 won a prize of a splendid set of Commandery jewels at the Chicago Triennial in 1880, and also took part in the competitive drill at Cleveland, as did also Zion No. 2 at St. Louis.

The fee for a dispensation and charter for a new Commandery is \$100. The minimum fees for the Order are \$40.

There have been thirty-three Grand Commanders of whom twenty-six are still living. Each have been presented with a handsome \$150 jewel. Sir Knight Philo. P. Huhbell served as Grand Prelate nearly eighteen years. A. T. C. Pierson was elected Grand Recorder fourteen times, and his successor Thos. Montgomery is serving on his twelfth year, while John G. McFarlane is serving his twenty-fifth year as Grand Treasurer. A. T. C. Pierson was elected Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Encampment of the United States in 1859, and Grand Captain General of same in 1862.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight J. W. Chamberlin, St. Paul, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Roland H. Hartley, Minneapolis, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight S. S. Kilvington, Minneapolis, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight George W. Buck, Duluth, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight Edward P. Sanborn, St. Paul, Grand Senior Warden.

E. Sir Knight Hermon L. Luther, Faribault, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Herman F. Parshall, St. Cloud, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight John G. McFarlane, Minneapolis, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Charles L. West, Austin, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Washington, Gray, Minneapolis, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight W. Hayes Laird, Winona, Grand Warden.

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 E. Sir Knight John House, Morris, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight George C. Miles, Fergus Falls, Grand Warden.
 E. Sir Knight James T. Graves, Minneapolis, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

George W. Prescott.	Henry Birkett.
*Alfred E. Ames.	Thos. Montgomery.
James M. Cole.	John A. Schlener.
E. D. B. Porter.	Walter H. Sanborn.
*Geo. L. Otis.	Anthony Z. Levering.
*M. W. Getchell.	Milton E. Powell.
*H. L. Carver.	T. W. Hugo.
B. H. Langley.	Joshua W. Nash.
*D. A. Monfort.	W. H. S. Wright.
E. F. Dodge.	H. E. Whitney.
Wm. Lochren.	John H. Randall.
W. C. Williston.	Benj. F. Farmer.
R. L. McCormick.	W. E. Richardson.
*L. Z. Rogers.	John C. Munro.
W. G. Bronson.	Thomas H. Warren.
A. M. Shuey.	J. W. Chamberlin.
W. D. Cornish.	

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Minnesota Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1902.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
180	1	DAMASCUS	St. Paul	Fred W. Zollman	Milton T. Emery
426	2	ZION	Minneapolis	E. R. Hazeltine	C. E. Ovenshire
72	3	COEUR DE LION	Winona	Will Hayes Laird	Isaac C. Slade
93	4	MANKATO	Mankato	Joseph A. Eckstein	Frederick L. Searing
91	5	HOME	Rochester	John W. Rowley	George B. Doty
48	6	LAKE CITY	Lake City	C. A. Hubbard	N. C. Pike
289	7	DARIUS	Minneapolis	B. H. Timberlake	E. M. VanCleve
87	8	FARIBAULT	Faribault	Patrick H. White	C. L. Lowell
46	9	CYBENE	Owatonna	Thomas J. Howe	J. Palmer Johnson
67	10	RED WING	Red Wing	Hiram Howe	Geo. H. Delpenbrock
58	11	BAYARD	Stillwater	Thomas H. Warren	Fred A. Lenox
70	12	APOLLO	Albert Lea	P. C. Johnson	A. G. Brundin
88	13	ST. BERNARD	Austin	John E. Ober	Parke Goodwin
63	14	PALESTINE	Fergus Falls	George C. Miles	Wilford R. Smith
40	15	REDWOOD FALLS	Redwood Falls	O. L. Dornberg	M. E. Powell
79	16	ASCALON	Brainerd	W. A. M. Johnson	E. A. McKay
62	17	MELITA	Litchfield	Christian Bertelson	August T. Koerner
215	18	DULUTH	Duluth	William B. Patton	Alfred Le Richeux
74	19	BETHEL	Morris	W. L. Colyer	C. B. Burpee
70	20	CONSTANTINE	Crookston	John Cromb	C. C. Strander
150	21	PALADIN	St. Paul	Walter G. Tubby	George Herbert
44	22	LUVERNE	Luverne	John P. Houg	Mark Swedberg
257	23	MPLS. MOUNTED	Minneapolis	James I. Brown	John M. Norris
46	24	NAZARENE	St. Cloud	Herman F. Parshall	John C. Munro
53	25	MALTA	Preston	William J. Hey	Henry Nupson
36	26	DEMOLAY	New Ulm	Joseph Bobleter	Albert Marden
52	27	FAIRMONT U. D.	Fairmont	Val Wohleter	C. N. Peterson
25	28	MARSHALL U. D.	Marshall	John E. Burchard	A. J. Chamberlain
8	29	WADENA U. D.	Wadena	L. W. Babcock	Jacob L. Meyer
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EM. SIR W. HAYES LAIRD.
Grand Warder-Winona.



R. EM. SIR JOHN A. SCHLENER.
Grand Commander 1888-83-Minneapolis.



R. EM. SIR ANTHONY Z. LEVERING.
Grand Commander 1890-91-Minneapolis.



R. EM. SIR JOHN H. RANDALL.
Grand Commander 1896-97-Minneapolis.

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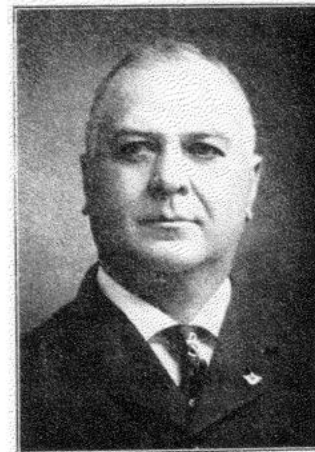
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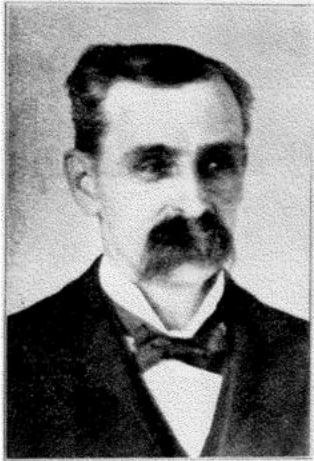


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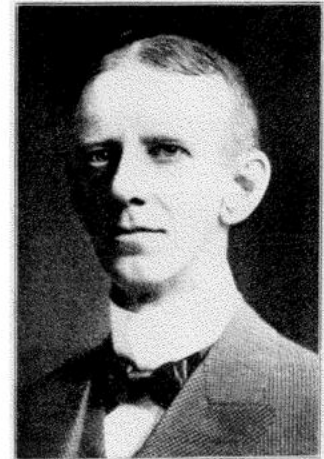


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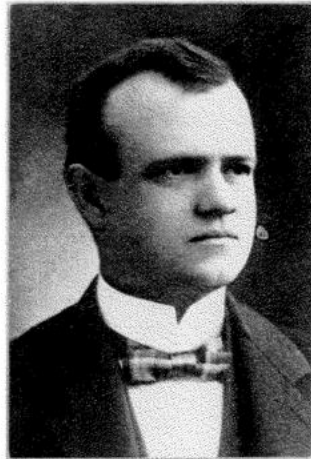
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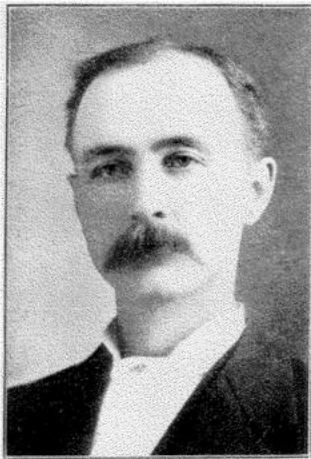
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EM. SIR JOHN E. BURCHARD.
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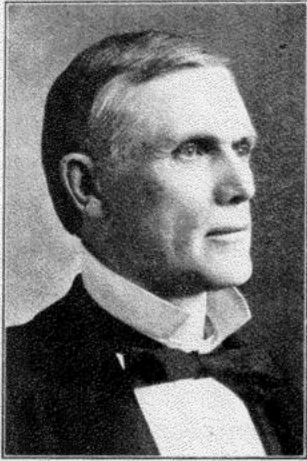


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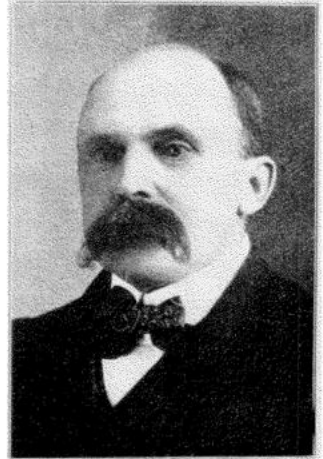


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Treasurer.

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EM. SIR CORY DIEHL.
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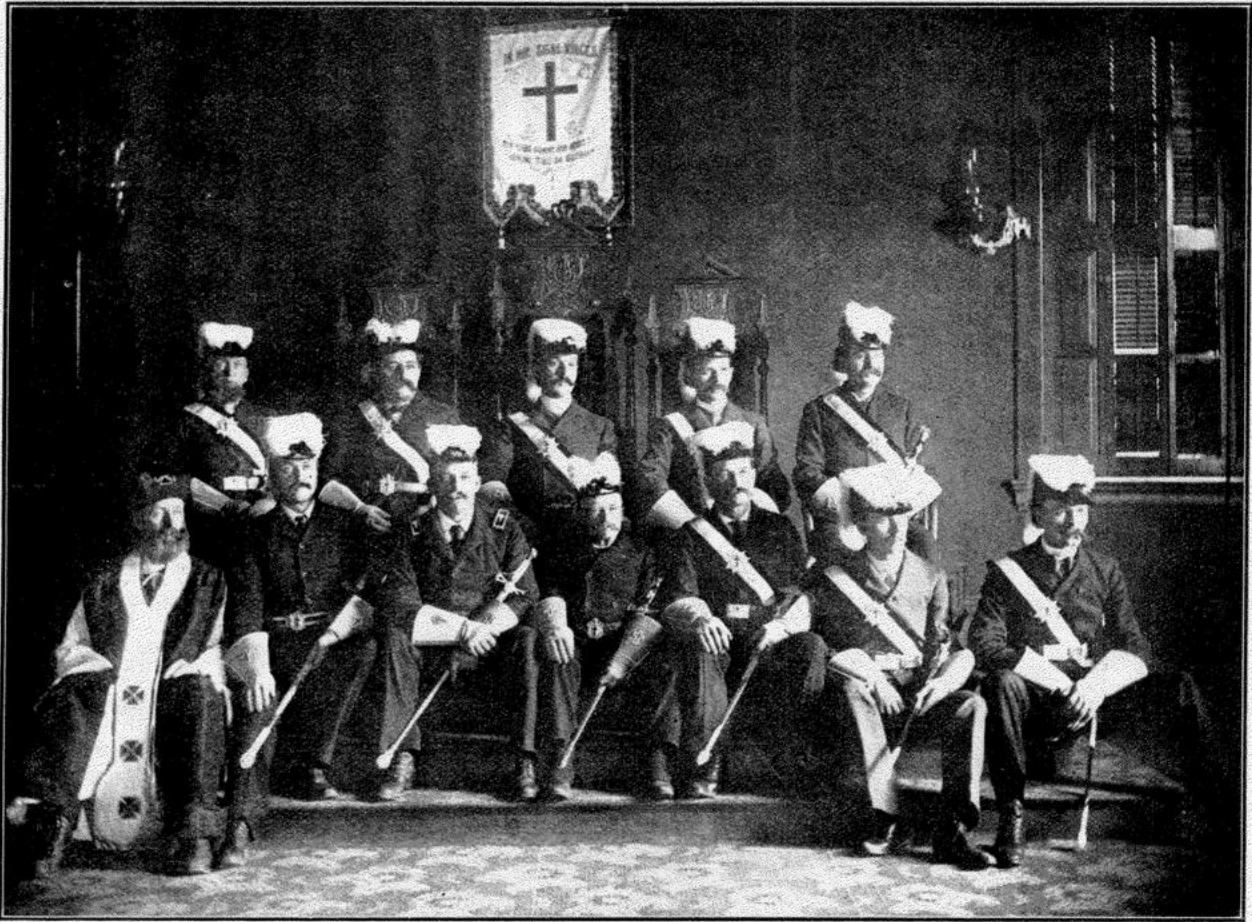


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H. P. Edwards, Prelate.	H. D. Gerth, Generalissimo.	Valentine Wohlheter, Em. Commander.	F. S. Livermore, Capt. Gen'l.	F. A. Brown, Sword Bearer.
				A. A. Horton, Standard Bearer.
				E. N. Chute, Warder.

MINNESOTA-OFFICERS FAIRMONT COMMANDERS NO. 27 K. T., IN THEIR ASYLUM-FAIRMONT.



EM. SIR VALENTINE WOHLHETER.
Commander.



SIR KT. HENRY D. GERTH.
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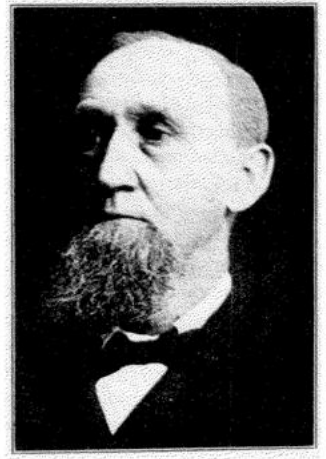
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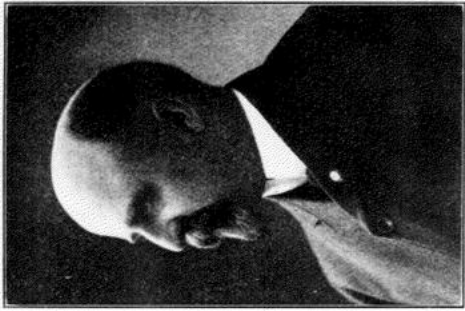


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Recorder.



SIR KT. HENRY DETTMER.
Sentinel.

MINNESOTA-FAIRMONT COMMANDERY NO. 27, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR-FAIRMONT.



R. EM. SIR JEMIEL W. CHAMBERLIN.
Past Commander Paladin Commandery No. 21;
Past Grand Commander 1901-02—St. Paul.



EM. SIR ALONZO T. STERRINS.
Past Commander Home Commandery No. 5;
Past Grand Captain General; Past Grand
Master A. F. & A. M.—Rochester.

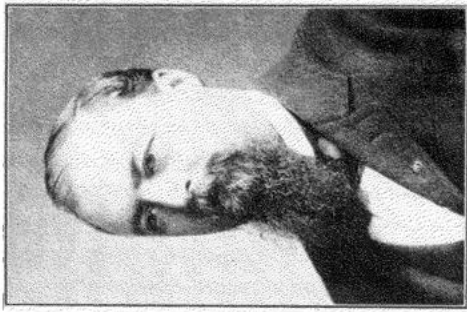


EM. SIR GEORGE W. BUCK.
Past Commander Duluth No. 18; Grand Captain
General—Duluth.



EM. SIR EDWARD F. SANBORN.
Past Commander and Prelate Damascus Command-
ery No. 1; Grand Senior Warden—St. Paul.

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HOME NO. 5, ROCHESTER; DULUTH NO. 18. DULUTH;
PALADIN NO. 21, ST. PAUL.



EM. SIR GEORGE A. LOVE, M. D.
Commander Malta Commandery No. 25-Preston.



P.M. SIR HENRY NUFSON.
Recorder; Post Commander Malta Commandery
No. 25-Preston.



EM. SIR JOSEPH A. ECKSTEIN.
Commander Mankato Commandery No. 4; Past
W. M. Charity Lodge No. 98; Past High
Priest New Ulm Chapter No. 67
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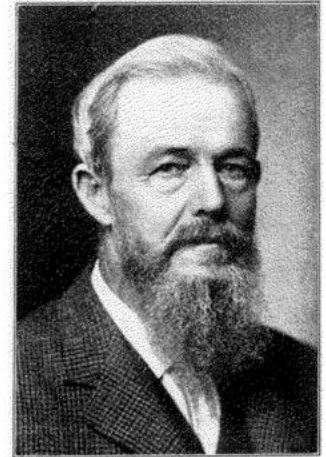


SIR KT. CHARLES C. WHITNEY.
Damascus Commandery No. 1-St. Paul.

MINNESOTA-COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. DAMASCUS NO. 1 ST. PAUL
MANKATO NO. 4, MANKATO; MALTA NO. 25, PRESTON.



EM. SIR NICHOLAS J. SCHAFER.
Past Commander Cyrene Commandery No. 9—Owatonna.



EM. SIR THOMAS J. HOWE.
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EM. SIR A. A. AMES.
Past Commander Zion Commandery No. 2; Past
Grand Generalissimo—Minneapolis.

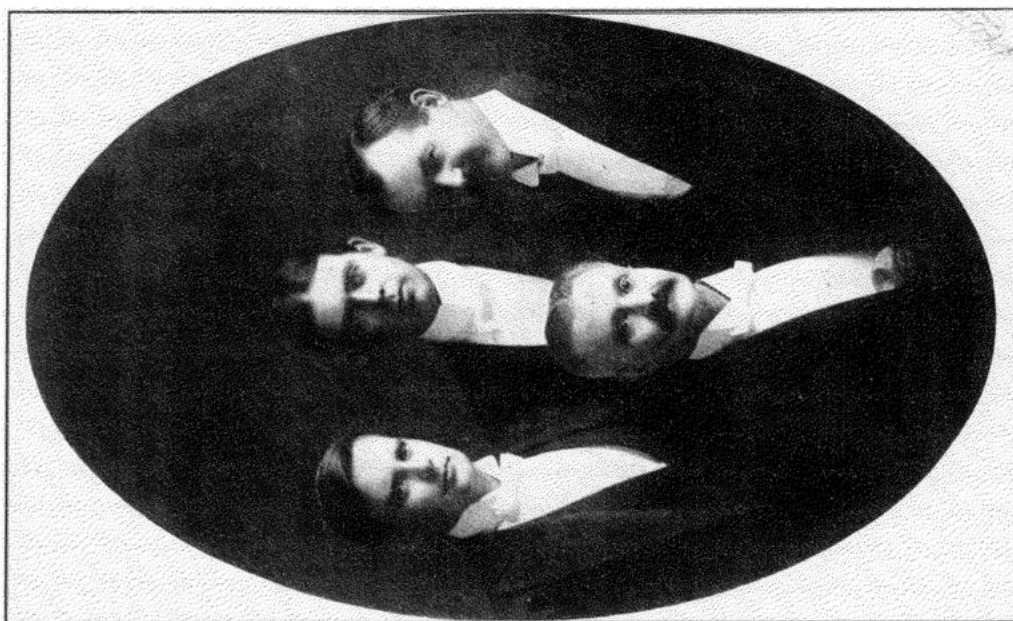


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Bethel Commandery No 19—Browns Valley.



SIR KT. JOHN A. FITCHETTE.
Zion Commandery No. 2—Minneapolis.

MINNESOTA—COMMANDERIES: ZION NO. 2, MINNEAPOLIS; CYRENE NO. 9, OWATONNA; BETHEL NO. 19, MORRIS.



**MINNESOTA--MINNESOTA MASONIC QUARTETTE, DARIUS
COMMANDERY NO. 7--MINNEAPOLIS.**

GEORGE O. BROWN, 1st Tenor--DR. N. M. KING, 2d Tenor--F. E. BAR-
ROW, 1st Bass--D. A. PELLIATT, 2d Bass.



E.M. SIR CARL E. VAN CLEEVE.
Commander.



SIR KT. BYRON H. TIMBERLAKE.
Generalissimo.



SIR KT. ALVA E. WHITMORE.
Captain General.



SIR KT. S. M. HAUSER.
Prelate.



R. E.M. SIR ANTHONY Z. LEVERING.
Past Commander; Past Grand
Commander 1890.



R. E.M. SIR ROLAND H. HARTLEY.
Past Commander; Deputy Grand
Commander 1901.



E.M. SIR EDWARD M. VAN CLEEVE.
Past Commander; Chairman of Com-
mittee on Asylum Tactics.



R. E.M. SIR JOHN H. RANDALL.
Past Commander; Past Grand Com-
mander 1896.

MINNESOTA-DARIUS COMMANDERY NO. 7 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR--MINNEAPOLIS.

**Minneapolis
Mounted
Commandery
No. 23,
Knights
Templar.**

MINNEAPOLIS Mounted Commandery No. 23, Knights Templar was organized January 27, 1892, under a dispensation granted by Milton E. Powell, Right Eminent Grand Commander of Minnesota appointing Sir William J. Hahn as the first Eminent Commander, Sir Frederick Hooker, as Generalissimo, and Sir Reese R. Henderson as Captain General; Sir Robert G. Evans, Senior Warden; Sir Eugene G. Hay, Junior Warden; Sir Robert D. Russell, Prelate; Sir John G. McFarlane, Treasurer; Sir William S. Streeter, Recorder; Sir M. F. Lenox, Standard Bearer; Sir John P. Harrison, Sword Bearer; Sir Al. A. Keith, Warder.

The charter members other than these above named were: Sir J. C. Beall, Eminent Sir John I. Black, Sir W. M. Brackett, Sir Fred V. Brown, Sir H. C. Carlisle, Sir Henry Doerr, Sir F. D. Ford, Sir Otto E. Greely, Sir Geo. C. Farnham, Sir H. G. Hicks, Sir J. C. Howard, Sir Ray W. Jones, Sir Stanley R. Kitchili, Sir M. B. Koon, Sir W. B. Leach, Sir W. K. Morrison, Sir Wm. Powell, Sir C. McC. Reeve, Sir J. T. Rogers, Sir Sol Smith Russell, Sir J. W. Stone, Sir J. H. Thompson.

A charter having been granted August 2, 1892, the Commandery was constituted, and officers duly installed by Right Eminent Grand Commander T. W. Hugo.

From the granting of the dispensation until the year 1896, during the term of office of Eminent Sir Fred V. Brown, the progress and growth of the Commandery was slow. During this year a distinct advance was made, the membership increasing from 42 at its beginning to 63 at its close. During

the term of Eminent Sir W. H. Norris, the roll increased to 128, a gain of 65, being 39 by admission and 26 by creation. The acme of its growth was reached, however, during the term of Eminent Sir S. S. Kilvington, who created 58 and admitted 34. Indeed, a large part of the growth and development of the Commandery is to be credited to the indefatigable efforts of Eminent Sir Kilvington, who from the date of his admission and election as Captain General in May, 1896, spared no effort to advance the interest and welfare of the Commandery. Since his term the increase in membership has been less rapid, yet a natural and healthy growth has been maintained.

In 1897, the Commandery first assumed its proper charter as a Mounted Commandery, and at the present time 200 of the Sir Knights are provided with full mounted equipment, and participate as mounted Sir Knights in the drills and parades of the Commandery.

The affairs of the Commandery are in every sense prosperous, its members are mostly young, active, and aggressive, its equipment is ample, and its finances are in excellent condition, a reserve fund being maintained and constantly increased by additions from the current receipts, which largely exceed the necessary expenditures. Throughout the Northwest, Minneapolis Mounted Commandery is regarded as one of the foremost exemplars of knightly cheer and hospitality, and its Asylum is a favorite resort for sojourning Sir Knights at all times, and the prediction is freely made among those best qualified to judge, that with added years, membership and wealth, which are sure to come, this Commandery will come to be recognized as one of the foremost Templar bodies in the country.

OFFICERS.

Chas. W. Drew, Eminent Commander.
 James I. Brown, Generalissimo.
 Thos F. Quinby, Captain General.
 Wellington A. Freemier, Senior Warden.
 James E. Houghton, Junior Warden.
 Elviro L. McMillan, Prelate.
 Chas. A. Grahn, Treasurer.
 John M. Norris, Recorder.
 Leonard H. Wells, Standard Bearer.
 Greenbury L. Fort, Sword Bearer.
 Hugh R. Scott, Warder.
 James G. Graves, Sentinel.

PAST COMMANDERS.

Wm. J. Hahn	H. L. Daniels
John A. Schlener, 33° P. G. C.	F. W. Gove
John P. Harrison	J. B. Hudson
Fred V. Brown	A. A. Keith
Wm. H. Norris	W. B. Leach, P. G., Sr. W.
S. S. Kilvington, 33° P. M., G. G.	J. W. Nash, P. G. C.
John H. Robertson	E. B. Sanders
Chas. Wilkins	F. A. Simmons
John I. Black	

HONORARIUM.

Sir Benj. F. Farmer, P. G. C.	Sir Wm. E. Richardson, P. G. C.
Sir Trevanion W. Hugo, P. G. C.	Sir Harry E. Whotney, P. G. C.
Sir Oscar M. Metcalf, P. G., St. B.	Sir Henry R. Wells, P. G. M.
Sir Milton E. Powell, P. G. C.	Sir W. H. S. Wright, P. G. C.

ROSTER OF SIR KNIGHTS MINNEAPOLIS MOUNTED COMMANDERY NO. 23, K. T.—Minnesota.

Adams, Samuel E.	Buchanan, John R.	Daniels, Horace L.	Fort, Greenbury L.
Allen, Bert	Buchanan, Wallace C.	Day, Lorenzo D.	Freemire, Wellington A.
Allan, John W.	Capen, Edwin P.	Dickey, Courtland N.	Gammons, Leonard W.
Backus, Gerrit F.	Caldwell, John	Dickey, Harrison G.	George, Wm. T.
Bahan, Geo. W.	Calhoun, John F.	Dobbin, Joseph L.	Girling, Thomas H.
Baker, R. M.	Campbell, S. C.	Doe, Frank H.	Girwin, Samuel.
Barber, Henry E.	Carlisle, Henry C.	Doerr, Henry.	Gjertsen, Henry J.
Barnett, Lewis C.	Chmel, Albert.	Dorr, Adam L.	Gottshall, C. J.
Beeman, Geo. C.	Christiansen, Chas. A.	Drake, Geo. H.	Gould, Chas. D.
Berry, J. H.	Choate, Augustus B.	Drew, Chas. W.	Gove, F. B.
Black, John I.	Cirkler, Chas. H.	Dumas, Fred.	Graham, John W.
Blake, Joseph D.	Clement, Foster R.	Dunlap, Andrew G.	Grahn, Chas. A.
Booth, Chas. H.	Clements, Oscar H.	Eitel, Geo. G.	Graves, Jas. G.
Boyd, Geo. F.	Cobban, Walter H.	Ellis, A. B.	Graves, Jas. McC.
Brant, Jabez A.	Colby, Chas. L.	Evans, Robt. G.	Greeley, Otto E.
Brevick, Harry G.	Cooley, Clayton R.	Ewe, Gustav F.	Greenleaf, Geo. S.
Brinsmaid, Chas. H.	Cole, Tracy E.	Faude, Rev. John J.	Gregory, Walter.
Brown, Fred V.	Corrison, Frank T.	Farnham, Geo. C.	Griffith, J. M.
Brown, Geo. W.	Cox, Leo A.	Ferguson, Nicholas A.	Grosskopf, W. B.
Brown, Jasper E.	Cravens, Geo. H.	Fisher, Henry A.	Hahn, Wm. J.
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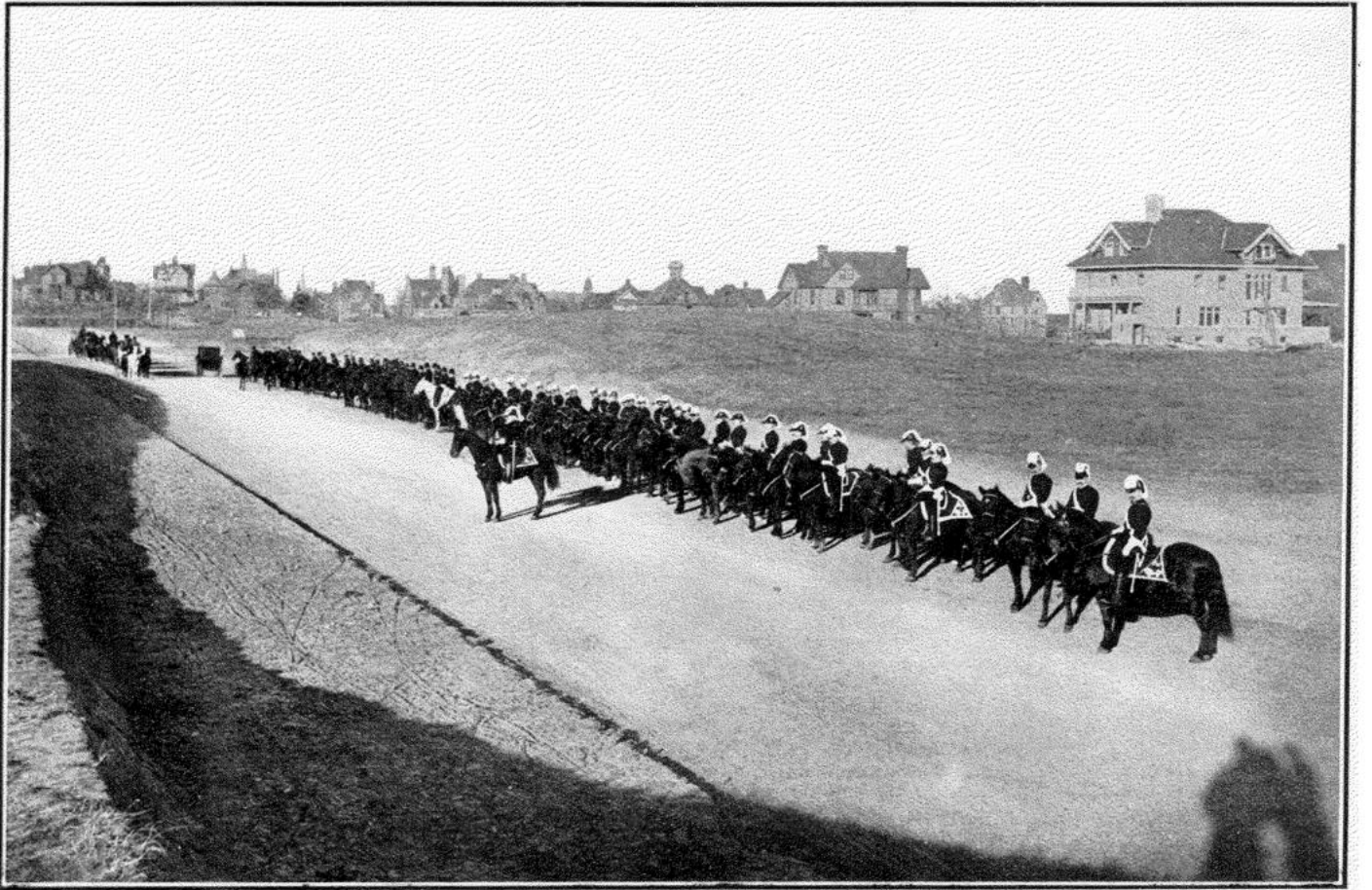
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 Hazlett, Isaac.
 Healy, Theron P.
 Heinrich, Gustav, J.
 Henderson, R. R.
 Herman, A. B.
 Hernlund, Joseph C.
 Hertig, Wendel.
 Heywood, Frank.
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 Hicks, Robt. M.
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 Hoffin, Joseph R.
 Houghton, Jas. G.
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 Hunsberger, Harvey.
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 Johnson, John A.
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 Jones, Vivian D.
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 Kennedy, Chas.
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 Quinby, Thos. F.
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 Remund, L. C.
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 Sanders, E. B.
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 Whittaker, John R.
 Wilcox, Wm. W.
 Wilkins, Chas.
 Williams, C. W.
 Williams, Gus.
 Willits, Albert G.
 Wissler, Owen F.
 Works, Geo. S.
 Works, Samuel D.
 Worrell, Frank C.



MINNESOTA—MINNEAPOLIS MOUNTED COMMANDERY NO. 23—FIRST MOUNTED INSPECTION.



EM. SIR CHARLES W. DREW, M. D.
Commander.



EM. SIR CHARLES WILKINS.
Past Com. Past High Priest Ark
Chapter R. A. M.



SIR KT. WELLINGTON A. FREEMIRE
Senior Warden; High Priest Ark
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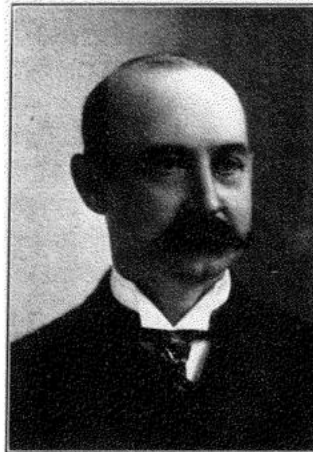
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Prelate.



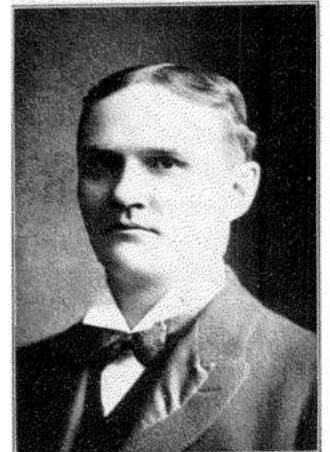
SIR KT. LEONARD HOGIN WELLS.
Standard Bearer.



SIR KT. HUGH R. SCOTT.
Sword Bearer.



SIR KT. RAY W. JONES.



SIR KT. W. B. GROSSKOPF.

MINNESOTA-MINNEAPOLIS MOUNTED COMMANDERY NO. 23, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR-MINNEAPOLIS.



EM. SIR SAMUEL S. KILVINGTON.
Past Commander; Grand Generalissimo.



R. EM. SIR JOHN A. SCHLENER, 33
Past Commander; Grand Com-
mander 1888-89.



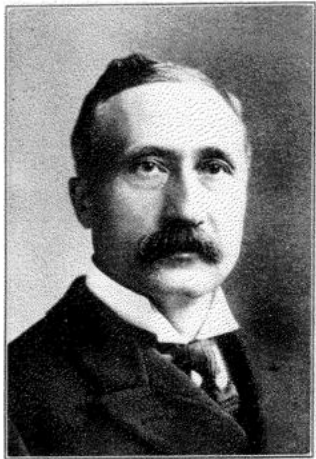
R. EM. SIR BENJ. F. FARMER.
Hon. Mem. Gr. Com. 1897-98.
Spring Valley.



EM. SIR JOSEPH H. THOMPSON.
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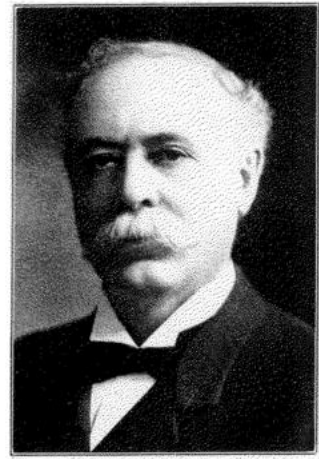
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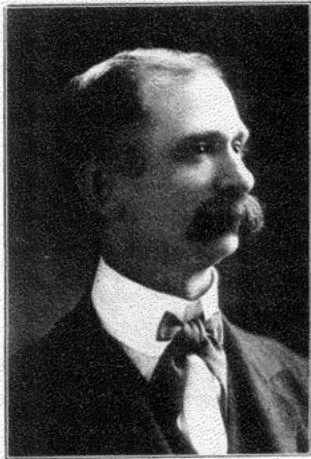
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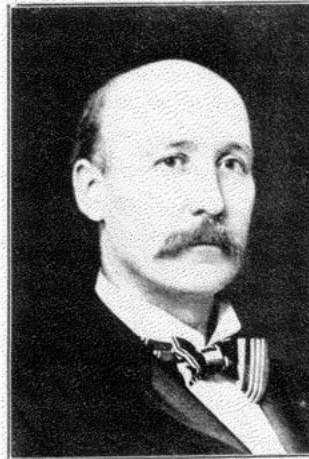
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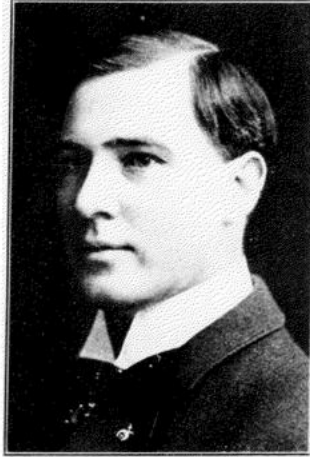
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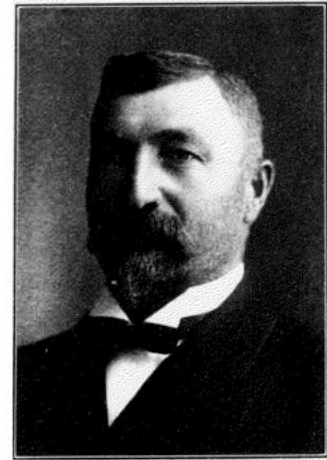
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MINNESOTA—MINNEAPOLIS MOUNTED COMMANDERY NO. 23, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR—MINNEAPOLIS.



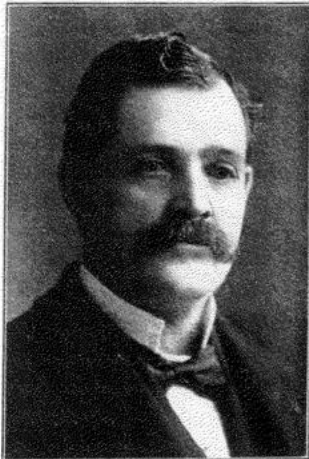
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SIR KT. HAROLD D. McCORD.

MINNESOTA-MINNEAPOLIS MOUNTED COMMANDERY NO. 23, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR-MINNEAPOLIS.



From left to right they are Eminent Sirs—
F. A. Simmons. Fred V. Brown. John H. Robertson. W. J. Hahn. John A. Schiener. S. S. Kilvington. C. W. Drew, M. D. W. H. Norris. Chas. Wilkins.

MINNESOTA--PAST COMMANDERS. MINNEAPOLIS MOUNTED COMMANDERY NO. 23, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR--MINNEAPOLIS.

The Order of the Temple in Mississippi.

By

John L. Power,
Grand Recorder
and Honorary Past
Grand Commander of
the Grand Comman-
dery of Mississippi.

THE Grand Commandery of Mississippi ranks twelfth in date of organization, having been organized January 21, 1857, under letters of authority from Grand Master W. B. Hubbard, dated Columbus, Ohio, December 22, 1856. Three Commanderies were represented as follows: Mississippi No. 1, Sirs Thomas Palmer, E. P. Russell, Thomas W. Caskey; Magnolia No. 2, George P. Crump, Benjamin S. Tappan, Christopher A. Manlove; Lexington No. 3, William H. Dyson, William McMillion, A. V. Rowe. A constitution was adopted on the day following.

There were no Grand Conclaves in 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865. In January, 1866, when the Grand Commandery assembled in Vicksburg, Grand Commander Tappan made appropriate and pathetic reference to the four years of pilgrimage that severely tested the faith and constancy of those who endured it; and after fitting reference to the chivalrous and knightly dead, he said: "We once more, knights and companions of our Order, set our watches and pitch our tents around the hallowed temple of Zion. The vivid convulsions and the armed conflicts through which we have passed have but proved the constancy of our faith in the great principles upon which the temple is founded, and that which will make it as permanent as the religion it represents, and upon which, in every great and unlooked for emergency, like that which has so long suspended the functions of our Grand Commandery, it is our privilege to look for aid."

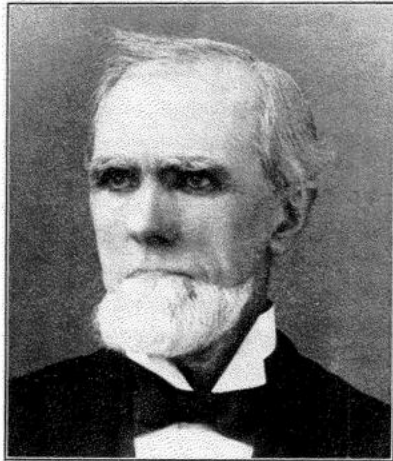
Past Grand Commander Frederic Speed is Chairman of Committee of Templar Law; Past Grand Commander Enoch George DeLap writes the inimitable reports of fraternal cor-

respondence, and has been thus most acceptably serving his Grand Commandery since 1875. He has much of the milk of human kindness in his make-up. Those who know him best love him most.

On the death of Grand Recorders Robert Macoy, of New York, and Robert Brewster, of Texas, Sir John Logan Power became the Senior Grand Recorder of Knights Templar, in years of continuous service, in the world. He was elected January 22, 1870, so that he is now serving his thirty-second year. On the recent death of Grand Secretary Parvin, he came third in seniority in the Grand Lodges; Companion Christopher G. Fox, of New York, ranks him in the Grand Chapter, and in the Grand Council he is nearest to the jumping-off place, having been elected Grand Recorder January 23, 1870. He is serving his second four years term as Secretary of State. It was of him that Bro. Frederic Speed wrote the American Tyler about two years ago.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901-1902.

- R. E. Sir Knight Harry T. Howard, Biloxi, Grand Commander.
- V. M. Sir Knight Oliver L. McKay, Meridian, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight R. H. Henry, Jackson, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Frank Burkitt, Okolona, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight Rev. Irvin Miller, Walnut Grove, Grand Prelate.
- E. Sir Knight G. J. Bahin, Natchez, Grand Treasurer.
- E. Sir Knight J. L. Power, Jackson, Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight J. F. Dixon, Natchez, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Rev. H. M. Waddell, Meridian, Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Geo. C. Meyers, Holly Springs, Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Nolan Stewart, Jackson, Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Geo. C. Hoskins, Brookhaven, Grand Warder.
- E. Sir Knight Joe Croom, Water Valley, Grand Captain of the Guard.



R. EM. SIR JOHN LOGAN POWER.
Grand Recorder; (Senior Grand Recorder in years of continuous service,
elected January 22, 1870) Honorary Past Grand Commander,
elected 1891; Past Commander and Prelate Mis-
sissippi Commandery No. 1--Jackson.
Died Sept. 24, 1901.

MISSISSIPPI--GRAND RECORDER.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*William H. Stevens.	*William S. Patton.	William French.	W. A. Bodenhamer.
*George P. Crump.	E. George DeLap.	James T. Meade.	S. W. Ferguson.
*Giles M. Hillyer.	*E. T. Henry.	H. M. Romberger.	J. C. French.
*Harvey W. Walter.	Phineas M. Savery.	*W. P. Towler.	Frank P. Jinkins.
*Benjamin S. Tappan.	*Gid W. Cox.	John H. Gordon.	J. M. Buchanan.
*Edward Lea.	Oliver Clifton.	*B. A. Vaughan.	James T. Harrison.
*Christopher A. Manlove.	*William Fairchild.	*N. S. Walker.	*William Staring.
*Fleet C. Mercer.	*William G. Paxton.	Frederic Speed.	John S. Cobb.
John K. Fulson.	Charles M. Erwin.	James J. Hayes.	Rev. John A. B. Jones.
*Charles T. Bond.	*William G. Benbrook.	*J. E. Leigh.	Harry T. Howard.

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Mississippi Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

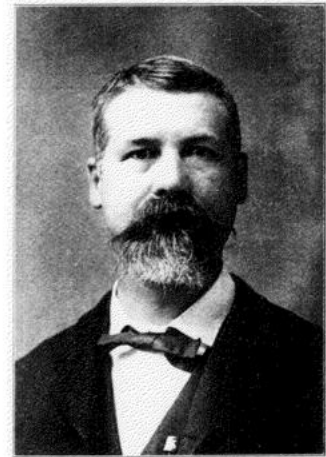
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36	1	MISSISSIPPI	Jackson	D. E. Adkisson	Wm. J. Brown
58	2	MAGNOLIA	Vicksburg	Edward M. Moore	Alex. M. Paxton
27	3	LEXINGTON	Lexington	R. A. Stigler	P. A. Lindholm
15	4	HOLLY SPRINGS	Holly Springs	W. B. Bradbury	L. B. Mosby
43	5	ROSALIE	Natchez	J. C. French	C. F. Merrick
84	6	ST. CYR.	Water Valley	William James	J. B. Pate
31	8	DEMOLAY	Columbus	C. L. Lincoln	T. W. Harris
96	9	CYRENE	Meridian	R. E. Moody	H. C. Smith
60	10	IVANHOE	Okolona	W. A. Bodenhamer	Frank Burkitt
25	14	MARY SAVERY	Corinth	J. P. Collier	J. W. McAnulty
27	16	DELTA	Greenville	E. N. Thomas	W. T. Steger
30	17	ABERDEEN	Aberdeen	A. A. Posey	F. P. Jinkins
56	18	ST. ELMO	Brookhaven	John M. Maynor	J. B. Daughtry
29	19	THE COAST	Biloxi	T. H. Gleason	H. J. Meaut
45	20	WEST POINT	West Point	H. A. Hayes	H. A. Dugan
40	21	HATTIESBURG	Hattiesburg	J. P. Carter	J. W. Montague
17	22	COAHOMA, U. D.	Clarksdale	J. S. Brooks	J. H. Johnson
18	23	YAZOO	Yazoo City	M. L. Stigler	S. S. Shipp
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R. EM. SIR W. A. BODENHAMER.
Grand Commander 1892-93; Commander Ivanhoe
Commandery No. 10.



EM. SIR FRANK BURKITT.
Grand Captain General, 1901; Past Commander
and Recorder Ivanhoe Commandery No. 10.



R. EM SIR JOHN S. COBB.
Grand Commander 1899-1900; Past Commander
Ivanhoe Commandery No. 10.

MISSISSIPPI-IVANHOE COMMANDERY NO. 10, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR-OKOLONA.



SIR KT. E. J. HALL.
Generalissimo.



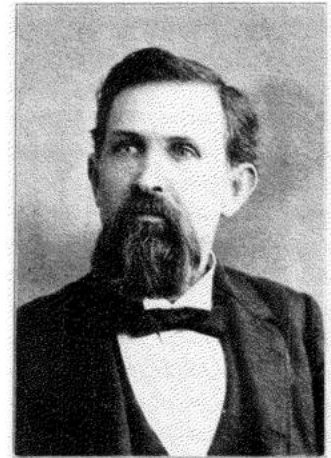
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Captain General.



SIR KT. G. L. RUSSELL.
Prelate.



SIR KT. J. M. DAVIS, M. D.
Senior Warden.



SIR KT. Z. T. HARPER.



G. L. Russen. E. J. Hall. W. A. Bodenhamer. T. M. Walton. Frank Burkitt.
 T. J. Keeney. J. R. Price. Z. T. Harper. Frank Elliott. J. F. Harrell. W. L. Harrell. J. M. Davis.
 G. W. Anglin. T. R. Schrimoher. James Gordon. T. W. Williams. J. M. Trice. R. W. Chandler. L. P. Haley. W. D. Frazee. R. M. Sadler.

MISSISSIPPI—SMALL SECTION OF IVANHOE COMMANDERY NO. 10, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, OKOLONA, IN ITS ASYLUM.

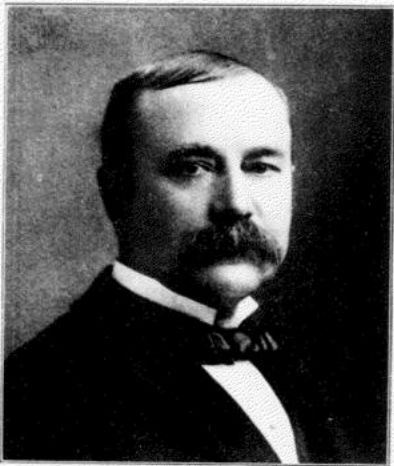


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LAURA PATRICK OF TUPELO, MISS.
The Alpha of Templar Sponsors; Sponsor for Ivanhoe Commandery
No. 10, at Conclave of Grand Commandery of Mississippi,
held at Biloxi, Miss., February, 1898.



MRS. JOSIE FRAZEE CAPPLEMAN.
Sponsor Ivanhoe Commandery No. 10, 28th Triennial Conclave, Louisville,
1901; Past Conductress and present Worthy Matron of Ruth Chapter
No. 6, Order of the "Eastern Star;" President "Daughters of
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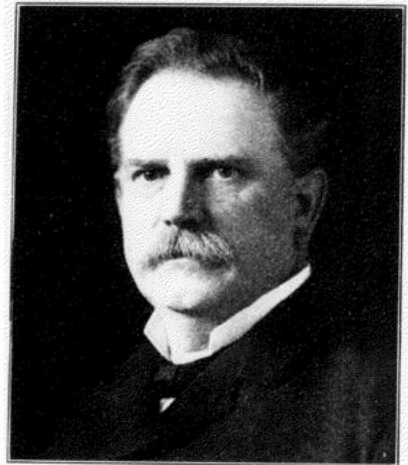
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R. EM. HORACE G. CLARK.
Grand Commander 1901-02; Past Commander St.
Omer Commandery No. 11—St. Louis.



V. EM. SIR JOHN F. EATON.
Deputy Grand Commander 1901-02 selected Grand
Commander 1902; Past Commander Oriental
Commander No. 35—Kansas City.



V. EM. SIR WILLIAM H. MAYO.
Grand Recorder (in continuous service from 1877
to date); Past Grand Recorder Grand En-
campment U. S. A.—St. Louis.

MISSOURI—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in Missouri.

By
Wm. D. Mayo,
Grand Recorder of the
Grand Commandery
of Missouri,
and Past Grand
Recorder Grand Encampment U. S. A.

IN the month of October, 1846, Sir Knights J. W. S. Mitchell, Joseph Foster, S. W. B. Carnegy, J. Worthington Smith, George Meyers, Elihu H. Sheppard, Frederick L. Billon, A. C. North, Merrill Davis, A. Moore and others met in the Masonic Hall in St. Louis, and drafted a petition to the General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America praying for a charter empowering them to open and hold an Encampment of Knights Templar at St. Louis, Missouri. This petition was presented to the General Grand Encampment at its Fourth Triennial Conclave on the 14th day of September, 1847, and upon the recommendation of the Committee on New Encampments, a charter was ordered to issue with J. W. S. Mitchell, Grand Commander; S. W. B. Carnegy, Generalissimo, and Merrill Davis, Captain General. The encampment was duly organized October 15, 1847, under the name and title of St. Louis Encampment No. 1. From the proceedings of the Twelfth Triennial Conclave of the General Grand Encampment, held in September, 1853, we find that a charter was granted to a number of Sir Knights to open and hold an encampment by the name of Weston Encampment No. 2, at Weston, Mo., with James Miller, Grand Commander, David Lindley, Generalissimo, and Wellington A. Cunningham, Captain General.

At the Thirteenth Triennial Conclave of the General Grand Encampment a charter was granted to Lexington Encampment at Lexington, Mo., September 10, 1856, with the following officers: Oliver Anderson, Grand Commander; Wm. H. Russell, Generalissimo, and John F. Ryland, Captain General.

On the 22d day of May, 1860, the representatives of the above mentioned encampments or Commanderies, pursuant to previous agreement, met in the Asylum of St. Louis Commandery No. 1, in the city of St. Louis and under authority of a warrant from the Most Eminent Grand Master Sir Knight Benjamin B. French proceeded to organize the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Missouri, with Benjamin M. Runyon, President, and Ludwell R. Ringo, Recorder of the convention. A constitution and by-laws were adopted. The following officers were duly elected and installed, viz.: Sir Knight Geo. W. Belt, Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir Knight R. M. Henderson, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Knight John W. Crane, Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir Knight Henry Flynt, Eminent Grand Captain General; Sir Knight Ludwell R. Ringo, Eminent Grand Prelate; Sir Knight Wm. N. Loker, Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir Knight George W. Culver, Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir Knight John D. Daggett, Eminent Grand Treasurer; Sir Knight E. G. Heriot, Eminent Grand Recorder; Sir Knight O. F. Porter, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer; Sir Knight S. M. Hays, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer; Sir Knight A. D. Hoy, Eminent Grand Warden; Sir Knight H. T. Schlossner, Grand Sentinel.

So far as the writer is informed all of the above mentioned Grand Officers, with the exception of Sir Knight George W. Belt, have entered into

"Those low green tents
Whose curtains never outward swing"

and calmly rest, while they wait the trump to sound the glad reveille that shall awaken to the glory of life immortal all those who sleep in the Christian's hope.

The First Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held in the city of St. Louis, May 23, 1860, from the printed proceedings of which we find that a charter was granted to St. Joseph Commandery No. 4, at St. Joseph, Mo., which had been instituted under a dispensation from the Grand Encampment of which Wm. R. Penick was Commander, George C. Catlett, Generalissimo, and W. A. Cunningham, Captain General. The total membership of the four Commanderies at that time was as follows: St. Louis No. 1, 48; Weston No. 2, 91; Lexington No. 3, 46; St. Joseph No. 4, 16. Total, 201.

No Conclave was held in 1862 on account of the Civil War.

The Third Annual Conclave was held in St. Louis, in May, 1863.

The Fourth Annual Conclave was held in St. Louis, in May, 1864.

At both these Conclaves the attendance was small and very little business was transacted, owing to the ravages and devastation caused by the war. The membership of the Grand Commandery at this time was only 153.

The Sixth Annual Conclave was held in St. Louis on the 21st day of May, 1866. The usual routine business only was transacted, and the time for holding the next Annual Conclave was changed from May to October; and that bold, fearless, conscientious, grand man, George Frank Gouley was elected and installed Grand Commander.

His administration was an active and efficient one, as well as a long one (from May, 1866, to October, 1867). It was during this, his first administration, that the great controversy between the Scottish Rite and the York Rite branches of Freemasonry took place in this State, which was very far reaching however in its results. The man who would write a fair and impartial account of Templar history in Missouri and not mention or report this controversy would do himself and the Order a great injustice, whatever his personal feelings or views might be.

Grand Commander Gouley in his very able annual address in October, 1867, devotes seven pages of closely printed mat-

ter to giving his views and his reasons for opposing the claims and actions of the Scottish Rite branch. It is very interesting and instructive reading, as he gives the entire correspondence pro and con in the controversy with General Albert Pike, the head of the Scottish Rite branch. The whole matter was referred to a committee, who made the following report which was unanimously adopted by the Grand Commandery:

"Your committee having dispassionately considered the very important question involved in the issue raised by the Right Eminent Grand Commander relative to the so-called Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, have concluded to offer the following resolutions as the expression of the will of this Grand Commandery, to-wit:

"WHEREAS, This Grand Commandery views the antagonistic position of the said Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite to the principles of Masonic Knighthood (as submitted by the Right Eminent Commander) and its repudiation of us as Templars and the substitution of one of its own degrees instead thereof, with an assertion of their authority and character as Templars; therefore,

"Resolved, That in vindication of the prerogatives of this grand body as the supreme authority over the orders of Masonic Knighthood in this jurisdiction, it is hereby ordered that no Knight Templar, holding allegiance to the Grand Commandery of Missouri, can be present in any of the bodies of said so-called Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite and witness or assist in the conferring of any of their degrees upon any one who has not already received the orders of Knighthood in a regularly constituted Commandery of Knights Templar.

"Resolved, That this Grand Commandery is the supreme and only source of Templar Masonry in the State of Missouri and has supreme and exclusive authority over the same, and in like manner as the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Council in their respective spheres, and that we repudiate any and all other bodies or organizations claiming to confer, or to authorize the conferring of any of the orders of Templar Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction; that no organization can

confer the orders of Templar Masonry in this State without a dispensation or charter from this Grand Commandery; and members acknowledging allegiance to this Grand Commandery are forbidden to have any knightly or other Masonic intercourse with any organization claiming to exercise such authority.

Resolved, That this Grand Commandery reasserts its strict adherence to the principles of legitimate Freemasonry, as taught and practiced by this Masonic family of the York Rite, viz.: Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, and Grand Council, and that we recognize the transactions of no other body of so-called Masons as legitimate.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published with the proceedings of this Grand Commandery and that they be duly enforced and obeyed."

This drastic action on the part of the Grand Commandery and the vigorous criticisms and writings of Bro. Gouley in his paper, "The Freemason," caused General Albert Pike to prefer a series of charges and specifications against Bro. Gouley in the Scottish Rite (Bro. Gouley being at the time a 32° member of the Scottish Rite), which resulted in his expulsion from that Rite by the Supreme Council as shown by the official printed proceedings of that body for the year 1868.

Sir Knight Gouley was re-elected Grand Commander in October, 1867.

This unpleasant and unfortunate controversy continued for several years. Templar Masonry flourished, new Commanderies were formed in all the large towns and cities in the State, the membership doubled, quadrupled and increased tenfold. A quarter of a century after this controversy found the Grand Commandery of Missouri with 56 subordinate Commanderies and a membership of 3,650, and the Scottish Rite branch with only one body of each subdivision, organized in St. Louis and one in Kansas City, and with about 100 members in each subdivision.

This unfortunate controversy was, however, brought to a close officially in November, 1872. About this time Bro.

Gouley was restored to all the rights and privileges of Scottish Rite Masonry, and at the next Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, which was in October, 1873, the following was adopted:

"Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite resolutions repealed.

"Sir Wm. N. Loker offered the following, seconded by Sir George Frank Gouley, which were unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS, In 1867, the Grand Commandery of Missouri did, in consideration of certain portions of the ritual of Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, pass certain preamble and resolutions forbidding all Knights Templar in this Grand Jurisdiction from being present at or assisting in conferring certain degrees in the above Rite; and,

"WHEREAS, The said Ancient and Accepted Rite, having expunged from its ritual all objectionable portions, therefore be it

Resolved by this Grand Commandery, That the said resolutions of 1867 be and are hereby repealed, and all knightly and amicable relations extended to the brethren and Sir Knights, who may also be members of that Rite."

To the Grand Commandery of Missouri is due the credit of inaugurating in 1868, the assembling of subordinate Commanderies at the Triennial Conclaves of the Grand Encampment, which has grown in popularity until the gorgeous pageants and magnificent entertainments have rendered these social occasions the wonder and admiration of the world. At all of these Triennial Conclaves the Grand and Subordinate Commanderies of the State of Missouri have been well represented and have contributed their share to the festivities by maintaining separate headquarters, where pilgrims from other Grand Jurisdictions have found a hospitable welcome and a place to rest and refresh themselves.

In 1866, Anthony O'Sullivan, the Nestor of Freemasonry in Missouri, who had been Grand Secretary of all the Masonic Grand Bodies in the State for many years, died and A. B. M. Thompson was appointed Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery.



EM. SIR VAN F. BOOR.
Past Commander Oriental Commandery No. 35;
Grand Master First Vell Grand Chapter
Mo.—Kansas City.



SIR KT. GEORGE H. ROBINSON M. D.
Oriental Commandery No. 35—Kansas City.



SIR KT. W. F. DIETRICH.
St. Louis Commandery No. 1—Minneapolis, Minn.

MISSOURI—COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR: ST. LOUIS NO. 1, ST. LOUIS; ORIENTAL NO. 35, KANSAS CITY.

In October, 1868, James F. Aglar was elected Grand Commander and George Frank Gouley, Grand Recorder.

The printed proceedings of this year contain a very full account of the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, which was held in September of that year in the city of St. Louis. This was the first great national gathering of Knights Templar. Thousands of them and tens of thousands of their friends were gathered together in St. Louis on that occasion. Not only the Knights Templar of St. Louis and many from other points of the State, but citizens also generally were taxed to the fullest extent to entertain this great throng of "strangers that were here within our gates."

In October, the Tenth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery was held with James F. Aglar, Grand Commander presiding. During the year he had been very active as shown by his address, and the proceedings of that year. The Grand Commandery did not sustain him in several of his official acts, notably, his action concerning the Camp of Instruction, held at Columbia.

At this, the end of the first decade of the existence of the Grand Commandery, the record shows sixteen subordinate Commanderies with a total membership of 690.

The next few years were uneventful, the usual routine business was transacted and there was a steady, healthy growth of the order in the State.

On April 11, 1877, George Frank Gouley lost his life at the burning of the Southern Hotel in St. Louis. He was a most active and zealous Mason; he was an acknowledged power in the Masonic fraternity of Missouri, and won a national reputation as a Masonic writer, both in his Reports on Correspondence and in "The Freemason," a Masonic journal he edited and published in St. Louis, which had a very wide circulation and wielded a great influence among the craft. William H. Mayo was appointed to fill out the unexpired term of Grand Recorder, and has been annually re-elected to that position ever since.

In October, 1878, the Grand Commandery changed the time for holding its Annual Conclave to May, 1880, thereby missing the year 1879 entirely, and in May, 1888, changed to the month of April, since which time Conclaves have been held annually in that month.

In May, 1880, at the end of the second decade, the Grand Commandery had thirty-two subordinate Commanderies, with a total membership of 1,285.

At the Annual Conclave in May, 1882, a committee was appointed to make arrangements with railroads and hotels for the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar, to be held in San Francisco, California, in August, 1883, with that indefatigable worker and zealous Templar, Past Grand Commander, James Frank Aglar as chairman. At the Annual Conclave in May, 1883, the committee reported that a reduced rate had been secured from the railroads for the pilgrimage across the Continent, and that suitable accommodations had been secured at the Baldwin Hotel in San Francisco, Cal., including headquarters. This report was adopted and the Grand Commandery recommended that such Commanderies and individual members who intended making the pilgrimage go with the "*Missouri Trans-Continental Excursion.*"

On motion of Sir Knight Aglar, the representatives of this Grand Commandery to the Triennial Conclave to be held in San Francisco in August next, were instructed to exert themselves to secure the meeting of the Twenty-second Triennial Conclave in the city of St. Louis. An exceedingly pleasant pilgrimage was made across the Continent, and our representatives in compliance with the above resolution, succeeded in securing the meeting of the Triennial Conclave to be held in 1886 for St. Louis. At the Triennial Conclave in San Francisco, Missouri was honored by the appointment of Sir Knight Rev. George C. Betts as Grand Prelate and Past Grand Commander, John R. Parson as Grand Sword Bearer of that National body.

In October, 1884, Grand Commander Flavius J. Tygard in

his annual address gave a very interesting account of the pilgrimage across the Continent under the leadership of Past Grand Commander Aglar, who was manager of the "Missouri Trans-Continental Excursion." Action was also taken at this Conclave looking to the proper preparation for the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar, to be held in St. Louis in September, 1886, by the creating of an Executive Committee with Past Grand Commander John R. Parson as Chairman.

The Grand Commandery of Missouri has ever had a watchful eye over the comfort and care of the destitute widows and helpless orphans of our brothers, who have been called to their eternal homes. When the Grand Encampment convened in the city of St. Louis in 1886, it found that a day had been set apart for the entertainment of the visiting Sir Knights and their friends, which was called "Charity Day." At this entertainment over thirty-five thousand dollars net was realized, which was turned over to the Board of Directors of the Masonic Home of Missouri, and added very materially to the establishment of our Home, which now cares for 55 girls, 32 boys, 21 old ladies, and 21 old gentlemen. Total, 129.

This Home is an honor and a credit to the Masons of Missouri, to which they point with just pride and satisfaction. All the Masons of the State contribute regularly, and most of them cheerfully, to its support and maintenance.

A large part of the proceedings of the Grand Commandery in May, 1887, and of Grand Commander Joseph S. Browne's address, is devoted to reports of committees concerning the details of the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar, which met in St. Louis in September, 1886.

In April, 1890, the first report, giving in detail all about the finances, etc., of the Masonic Home, was made to the Grand Commandery, it having been dedicated, opened and put into practical operation since the last Annual Conclave.

At this, the close of the third decade of the Grand Commandery's history, we find that there were 55 subordinate Commanderies with a total aggregate membership of 3,253.

In the year 1894, Sir Knight Charles S. Glasspell, Grand Commander, made the following decision, which was approved by the Grand Commandery:

Question. We have in _____ Commandery a Sir Knight, who took a demit from the Blue Lodge and remained, of his own accord, an unaffiliated Mason over twelve months. What is his standing in the Commandery?

Answer. His name should be stricken from the rolls, as he has lost his standing in Lodge and Chapter."

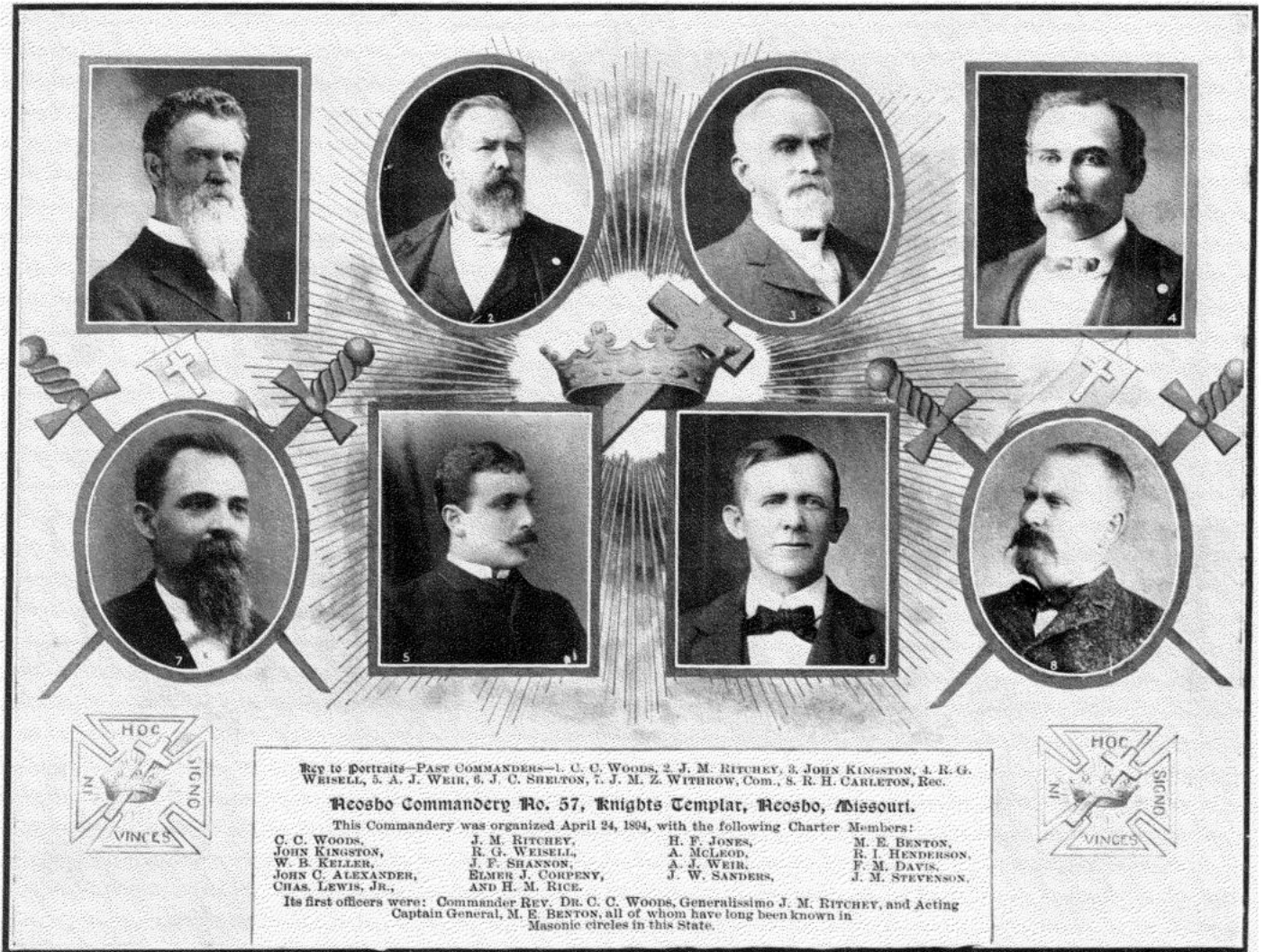
Extended arguments were added in support of his decision.

In 1895 Sir Knight, Thomas R. Morrow, Grand Commander, reported that an appeal had been taken from the action of the Grand Commander in this case to the Grand Encampment.

The appeal was not taken by the party interested, Sir Knight Smith, but by a Past Grand Commander, Sir Knight David W. Wallace. The Grand Commander decided that the appeal acted as a supersedeas, and that Sir Knight Smith, during the pendency of the appeal, was entitled to all the rights and privileges of Templar Masonry.

The Grand Commander made an exhaustive report on the whole matter, which has been justly styled a "State Document," in which he established his reputation as a Masonic jurist. He contended that mere non-affiliation with Lodge or Chapter did not, under the law as it then stood, deprive Sir Knight Smith of his Masonic standing. Each of his positions were sustained by the Grand Encampment in 1895 at Boston, Mass. The law of the Grand Encampment on this subject has since been materially changed, but this does not change the invincible logic and clear statement of the case under the law as it then stood.

At the Twenty-sixth Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar, held in Boston, Mass., in August, 1895, Grand Commandery of Missouri was represented by a very large attendance from all parts of the State. At this Conclave Sir Knight Wm. H. Mayo, Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Missouri was elected Grand Recorder of that General Grand Body.



The Annual Conclaves of the Grand Commandery have always been held in the city of St. Louis, except in 1894, when they met in Kansas City and in 1896 at Springfield, then again in Kansas City in 1900.

Quoting from Grand Commander Allan McDowell's address in 1889: "We of Missouri have ever been sound to the core in our allegiance to the Grand Encampment," hence few changes have been made in our laws, except to make them comply with Grand Encampment law from time to time.

At the time of preparing this article, the close of the fourth decade, the Grand Commandery of Missouri has 56 subordinate Commanderies, with a total membership of 4,606.

Missouri has furnished the following named officers for the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America:

George W. Belt, Grand Captain General, 1868-1871; George W. Belt, Grand Senior Warden, 1865-1868; Rev. Geo. C. Betts, Grand Prelate, 1883-1886; William H. Mayo, Grand Recorder, 1895-1901; John R. Parson, Grand Standard Bearer, 1886-1889; John R. Parson, Grand Sword Bearer, 1883-1886; Richard Elms, Grand Sentinel, 1868-1871; John A. Sloan, Grand Sentinel, 1892-1895.

The Grand Commandery of Missouri has been fortunate in the selection of its officers, many of them having attained distinction in the various walks of life, on the bench, at the bar, in the pulpit and also in other professions.

GRAND OFFICERS 1901.

Sir Knight Horace G. Clark (11), St. Louis, R. E. Grand Commander.

Sir Knight John F. Eaton (35), Kansas City, V. E. Deputy Grand Commander.

Sir Knight Emanuel F. Hartzell (4), St. Joseph, E. Grand Generalissimo.

Sir Knight Wm. A. Hall (20), Springfield, E. Grand Captain General.
Sir Knight Geo. M. McGuire (22), Kirksville, E. Grand Senior Warden.
Sir Knight Wm. H. Hutters (55), Cape Girardeau, E. Grand Juniot Warden.

Sir Knight Rev. John H. Miller (15) Nevada, E. Grand Prelate.
Sir Knight Flavius J. Tygard (30), Butler, E. Grand Treasurer.

Sir Knight Wm. H. Mayo (1), St. Louis, E. Grand Recorder.

Sir Knight Alson A. White (17), Independence, E. Grand Standard Bearer.

Sir Knight Campbell Wells (9), Platte City, E. Grand Sword Bearer.

Sir Knight Gib. W. Carson (18), St. Louis, E. Grand Warden.

Sir Knight John W. Owen (16), St. Louis, Grand Guard.

Sir Knight Clarence A. Sinclair (1), St. Louis, Grand Inspector.

Sir Knight Wm. H. Mayo (1), St. Louis, Correspondent.

NOTE.—The number indicates the Commandery of which the officer is a member.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

Geo. W. Belt.
*Thos. W. Wannall.
*Geo. Frank Gouley.
*James F. Aglar.
Jno. D. Vincil.
*Francis M. Tufts.
Oren Root.
John Ure.
Sam. A. Gilbert.
John C. Bloomfield.
Fred. B. Young.
John R. Parson.
Carroll J. Atkins.
Sol. E. Waggoner.
Wm. G. Hall.
Wm. J. Terrell.
Flavius J. Tygard.
John A. Sloan.

Geo. F. Rogers.
Joseph S. Browne.
Eli H. Mix.
Allan McDowell.
Robt. McCulloch.
Walter J. Hilton.
Noah M. Given.
David W. Wallace.
Chas. S. Glaspell.
Thos. R. Morrow.
*Leslie Orear.
Ira V. McMillan.
John Gillies.
Morris Fred Bell.
John Greenough.
Reuben Barney.
Horace G. Clark.

*DECEASED.

Missouri Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
281	1	ST. LOUIS	St. Louis	Charles L. McDonald	Reuben H. Caffall
42	2	WESTON	Weston	James W. Cox	August Schneider
35	3	DEMOLOY	Lexington	Evi B. Farley	Horace W. Winsor
123	4	ST. JOSEPH	St. Joseph	Willard Case	Edward C. Browne
42	5	EXCALIBAR	Hannibal	A. C. Robards (act.)	Chas. H. Yancey
37	6	LIBERTY	Liberty	Edward E. Truex	Robert W. Stogdale
55	7	EMMANUEL	Macon	Charles G. Howe	Josephus L. Martin
65	8	IVANHOE	St. Louis	Peter J. Steinman	Herman F. Mardorf
54	9	BELT	Platte City	Guy C. Colman	John L. Carmack
181	10	KANSAS CITY	Kansas City	John H. Barr	Albert A. Nicol
79	11	ST. OMER	Sedalia	Charles H. Zoll	James H. Mara
40	12	ST. GRAAL	Columbia	James A. Hudson	Geo. W. Henderson
49	14	COEUB DE LION	Brookfield	Robert W. Davis	C. H. Chamberlain
95	15	O'SULLIVAN	Nevada	Andrew J. Smith	Chas. H. Brown
346	16	ASCALON	St. Louis	Lewis F. Campbell	William B. Hawken
92	17	PALESTINE	Independence	William C. Dunn	David W. Wallace
558	18	ST. ALDEMAR	St. Louis	William M. Porteus	Wesley P. Rickart
43	19	MARY	Warrensburg	William P. Hunt	John Le Mar
110	20	ST. JOHN'S	Springfield	J. Frank Carmack	Fred W. Ball
61	21	KADOSH	Cameron	Ernest L. Dildine	John S. Nelson
83	22	ELY	Kirksville	George M. McGuire	Albert F. Grassle
67	23	CRUSADE	Mexico	Kenneth M. Deane	John J. Steele
64	24	GODFREY DE BOUILLON	Trenton	James B. Wright	John W. Schooler
108	25	TANCRED	Moberly	William A. Rothwell	Eli H. Mix
64	26	BAYARD	Harrisonville	Robert H. Adams	Samuel E. Brown
43	27	CONSTANTINE	Greenfield	Wynnee G. Howard	Orrin S. Ragland
41	28	CALVARY	Fulton	John E. Sallee	John W. McIntire
39	29	PRINCE OF PEACE	Jefferson City	Jesse W. Henry	Arthur M. Hough
46	30	GOULEY	Butler	Abraham L. McNally	Omar D. Austin
44	31	JASPER	Carthage	Peter Peters	Thos. Buckbee
66	32	PASCHAL	Chillicothe	Fred E. DeLongy	Reuben Barney, Jr.
21	33	LEBANON	Lebanon	Chris Hanson	Jno. G. Lingswieler
42	34	BOANERGES	Clinton	Charles H. Williams	Chas. H. Tietsort
296	35	ORIENTAL	Kansas City	A. I. Smith	Robert F. Stevenson
80	36	MISSOURI	Marshall	Charles W. Lacy	Joseph W. Barnhill
21	36	STAR OF BETHLEHEM	Canton	William S. Page	Thos. W. Furlong
28	38	TEMPLE	Fayette	Corona H. Briggs	S. B. Cunningham

Missouri Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.—Continued.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
93	39	ASCENSION	Joplin	Clyde S. Pool	John C. Faulkender
86	40	MARYVILLE	Maryville	Ira V. McMillan	Tunis S. Cordill
24	41	MEMPHIS	Memphis	Culvin F. Sanders	Jesse D. Skidmore
43	42	BETHANY	Bethany	Bolden B. Boatright	Chas. W. Gillidett
33	43	ST. ELMO	Bolivar	James C. Weaver	Jas. M. O'Kelley
55	44	PARSIFAL	Paris	Cyrus A. McCormick	James S. McGee
34	45	NAVARRE	Carrollton	John W. Stilwell	Henry M. Pettit
29	46	MT. OLIVE	Lamar	Andrew J. Wray	Charles D. Goodrum
38	47	RICHMOND	Richmond	Frank P. Divillbiss	R. B. Kirkpatrick
57	48	WEST PLAINS	West Plains	Madison B. Clarke	Robt. S. Hogan
171	51	HUGH DE PAYENS	St. Joseph	Albert P. Hall	Benton Quick
60	52	ST. BERNARD	Milan	Robert B. Ash	Chas. A. Schoene
47	53	OLIVET	Boonville	William F. Johnson	Andrew J. Fluke
30	54	AUBORA	Aurora	Edward A. Gibson	Henry A. Pearce
53	55	CAPE GIRARDEAU	Cape Girardeau	Fred A. Kage	Ed. A. Johnston
98	56	DE SOTO	De Soto	Samuel A. Whitehead	James F. Carley
41	57	NEOSHO	Neosho	Robert Y. Weisell	Robt. H. Carleton
56	58	HARMONY	Monett	Wm. C. Templeton	Harry H. Westbay
47	59	ROLLA	Rolla	Millard F. Faulkner	Henry Wood.
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The Order of the Temple in Montana.

By
Edward D. Reill,
Grand Recorder
and Past Grand Com=
mander of the Grand
Commandery of
Montana.

THE introduction of Templarism into Montana followed close upon the settlement of that rich and fertile territory. The hardy pioneers who opened the mines and buildd the towns were gathered from all parts of the Union, and among them were Knights Templar. For some time after settlement in their new homes, these knights were denied the boon of meeting their Fraters in the lodge room, because there were no organized lodges in which to meet. Whatever of fraternization then occurred took place during the casual meeting of brethren in the camp or on the ranch, where one recognized the other. In the course of time, however, mining camps assumed the importance of towns and Masonic lodges were established, followed by Templar organizations. As to the first, it is outside our province to recount their history.

To Virginia City belongs the distinction of organizing the first Commandery of Knights Templars in Montana. On August 2, 1866, just after the close of the Civil War and to the pioneer organization, we find the name of "Virginia City Commandery No. 1 Knights Templar." At that time Virginia city was a large and prosperous mining town, with a rapidly increasing population. It was the *Mecca* of fortune hunters, large numbers of whom had but recently quitted the army.

Early in this year (1866), enthusiastic Masons determined to organize a Commandery at that place, but upon examination it was found that there were not enough resident Templars to sign the application for a dispensation. The only brethren in the city were Sir Hezekiah L. Hosmer of Toledo

Commandery No. 7 of Toledo, O.; Sir Paris S. Pfouts of Denver Commandery No. 1, Denver, Col.; Sir Samuel Russell of St. Joe Commandery No. 4 of St. Joe, Mo., and Sir Wm. Martin of Kansas.

These brethren wrote to Most Eminent Grand Master Harry L. Palmer requesting a warrant to open a Commandery, which authority was granted. They met on July 12th, in Virginia City Masonic Hall, and organized a Commandery of the indispensable number, and received petitions from nine companions. They were referred to a committee with instructions to report one week later, July 19th. The petitioners were: L. W. Frary, J. J. Hull, J. R. Boyce, Sr., Richard Leach, F. E. W. Patton, F. C. Cornell, James F. Foreman, O. A. Sedman, and John F. Rodman. On the latter date the Commandery met as per adjournment, Sir Hosmer as Eminent Commander, and Sir Pfouts as Recorder. Sirs Russell and Martin were present, also Sir W. I. Marshall, of Mt. Vernon Commandery No. 1 of Ohio. The nine petitioners at the first meeting were elected, and a council of the Red Cross was opened, with Sir Hosmer as Sovereign Master; Sir Pfouts as High Priest; Sir Russell as Senior Warden; Sir Martin as Junior Warden; and Companions L. W. Frary, F. C. Cornell and James F. Foreman were created Knights of the Red Cross.

On July 23d ensuing, Companions J. J. Hull, F. E. W. Patton, and J. R. Boyce, Sr., were created Knights of the Red Cross, and the following evening, July 24th, Companions Sedman, Leach and Rodman were similarly raised. Two days later, July 26th, Companions Frary, Cornell, and Patton received the orders of the Temple and Malta. J. R. Boyce, Jno. P. Rodman, and O. A. Sedman received the order Friday, July 27th, and Richard Leach and J. J. Hull on July 30th.

COMMANDERY INSTITUTED.

The foregoing preliminary steps having brought matters into a state of preparation, on Thursday evening, August 2, 1866, a Commandery of Knights Templar was provisionally instituted, with the following officers: Sir H. L. Hosmer, Eminent Commander; Sir J. R. Boyce, Generalissimo; Sir F. C. Cornell, Captain General; Sir P. S. Pfouts, Prelate; Sir Samuel Russell, Senior Warden; Sir William Martin, Junior Warden; Sir Richard Leach, Treasurer; Sir F. E. W. Patton, Recorder; Sir L. W. Frary, Warder; Sir J. J. Hull, Sentinel; Sir J. F. Rodman, Guard; Sir O. A. Sedman, Guard.

Sir Jos. F. Foreman was introduced and created Knight of the Temple and of Malta.

At the same meeting a petition to the Grand Master was prepared and signed, asking for a dispensation, recommending Sir H. L. Hosmer for Eminent Commander; Sir J. R. Boyce, Sr., for Generalissimo, and Sir F. C. Cornell for Captain General, which was in due time granted by Grand Master Palmer, dated Milwaukee, August 27, 1866. This dispensation was read at a meeting held on September 13, 1866. After the reading of this authority, the brethren then duly opened Virginia City Commandery, U. D., for the first time, with the officers aforementioned at the meeting of August 2d. After receipt of the dispensation, and until surrender of the same, thirty-one other persons were knighted, this evidencing the great interest taken at the time in Templary in that locality.

The Grand Master reported this action at the Seventeenth Triennial Conclave, held at St. Louis, September 15, 1868, the Sir Knights of Virginia City No. 1 at the same time submitting their dispensation and records for inspection. All the papers were referred to a committee, who, on September 18th, reported favorably and recommended the granting of a charter, as desired by the applicants. This charter was accordingly granted, of date October 9, 1868, but was lost in transit, and a new one was issued by the Grand Master, of date November 27, 1868.

Grand Master Gardner issued his proxy to Sir Samuel Russell to formally institute Virginia City No. 1, which was done on Thursday evening, December 24, 1868, in due form. Since that time it has continued without interruption, holding regular meetings.

The history of Virginia City No. 1 has been recorded here at some length, because of the fact that it was the pioneer Commandery of the State. The other lodges composing the Grand Commandery of Montana are entitled to equal description, but lack of space compels me to condense facts relative to their institution and progress.

HELENA COMMANDERY NO. 2.

In 1868, Helena having grown to be quite a city, and already possessing three organized lodges and a chapter, the Masons agitated the question of a Commandery. Sir Knight J. R. Boyce, Sr., having moved from Virginia City, set about the work and secured signers to a petition to the Most Eminent Grand Master for a dispensation to organize a Commandery. This petition was signed by ten persons, and the dispensation was granted by Most Eminent Wm. Sewall Gardner, under date of January 21, 1869, to Helena Commandery, with Sir Jos. R. Boyce, Sr., as Eminent Commander; Sir Albert G. Clark, Sr., of St. Joe, No. 4, St. Joe, Mo., as Grand Generalissimo, and Sir John T. Henderson, of Virginia City No. 1 as Captain General. These, with the other signers of the petition, formally opened Helena Commandery, U. D., some time in February, 1869. The records having been destroyed by fire, the date of institution is lost. Fifteen companions were knighted under the dispensation.

The Grand Master having reported his action in the matter to the Eighteenth Triennial Conclave, and the report going through the usual form of a committee reference, the charter issued September 20, 1871, by Grand Master Wm. Sewall Gardner was issued by the Most Eminent Grand Master Jno. Quincy Adams Fellows, March 20, 1872, who appointed Sir Hugh Duncan of Virginia City No. 1, as his proxy



EM. SIR EDWIN H. BREWSTER.
Deputy Grand Commander 1901-02; Past Commander Damascus Com-
mandery No. 4—Wibaux.



EM. SIR EDWARD D. NEILL.
Grand Recorder; Grand Commander 1896-96; Past Commander Helena
Commandery No. 2—Butte.

MONTANA--OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

to install the officers, which he did on April 9, 1872, viz.: Sir Jos. R. Boyce, Sr., Eminent Commander; Sir Albert G. Clarke, Sr., Generalissimo; Sir John T. Henderson, Captain General, together with the other officers. From that year, 1872, the Commandery increased rapidly in numbers and influence.

On May 14, 1888, in the Asylum of Helena Commandery, the Grand Commandery of Montana was organized.

MONTANA COMMANDERY NO. 3.

The history of Montana Commandery No. 3, of Butte City, dates from the year 1878, when a number of resident Templars agitated the question, and under the leadership of Sir Knight Wm. A. Clark, prepared a petition, with a recommendation also from Helena No. 2. These were sent to Most Eminent Grand Master Sir Vincent L. Hurlbut, who, on June 26, 1878, granted the dispensation prayed for, and appointed Sir Wm. A. Clark Eminent Commander; Sir Joseph A. Hyde, Generalissimo, and Sir Preston Scott, Captain General; each of them had been knighted in Helena No. 2. There were seven other names to the petition.

The petition being received, a meeting was held in Masonic Hall, at Butte, and a Commandery opened August 2, 1879. The organization being perfected, the orders were conferred on two candidates. The Grand Master reported his action in the matter at the Twenty-first Triennial Conclave, at Chicago, August 17, 1880; it was duly considered, the committee recommending that dispensation be continued in force until the next Triennial. Afterwards the chairman of the committee, Sir Knight Dana, of Vermont, made a supplemental report, and a charter was voted, same being dated August 20, 1880. Accordingly on June 21, 1881, Grand Master Most Eminent Sir Benjamin Dean having appointed Sir Cornelius Hedges, as his proxy, the latter formally instituted Montana No. 3, with William A. Clark, Eminent Commander and Joseph A. Hyde, Generalissimo, together with the other officers. Grand Master Dean reported the steps he had taken to the Twenty-second Triennial, held at San Francisco, in 1883.

At this Conclave, also permission was granted to form a Grand Commandery in the jurisdiction of Montana.

DAMASCUS COMMANDERY NO. 4.

The initial steps taken for the formation of Damascus Commandery No. 4 were taken during the year 1884-5, when Miles City was highly prosperous as a cattle shipping point. Early in 1886, Sir Carl T. Peterson secured a petition with nine signatures, and forwarded it to the Grand Master. He being out of the country, Sir Charles Roome, Deputy Grand Master, issued the dispensation on March 8, 1886. On March 16th, the dispensation having arrived, Sir Peterson and associates met, opened and constituted Damascus Commandery No. 4, with Sir Carl T. Peterson, of Tancred No. 4, Dakota, as Eminent Commander; Sir Ralph Webster of Colorado No. 1 as Generalissimo, and Sir Edward A. Kreidler, of Columbia No. 2, Washington City, as Captain General. Their action was reported to the Twenty-third Conclave, held at St. Louis, September 21, 1886. The committee reported favorably, recommending a charter, which was issued on September 23d. The Grand Master appointed Sir Samuel J. Prentiss as his proxy, and on November 13th following, the latter instituted Damascus No. 4, with Sir Edward A. Kreidler as Eminent Commander; Sir Arthur C. Logan as Generalissimo, and Sir Wm. B. Skinner as Captain General, with other officers.

As a result of various causes, among which was the extension of the Northern Pacific through the upper cattle ranges, and the building of new towns in the Valley of the Yellowstone, this Commandery gradually declined through the removal of members to other places. Lacking sufficient members to hold further meetings, in 1890 they secured from Grand Commander Barrett, a dispensation, dated April 30, 1890, permitting them to remove the Commandery to Glendive, where it attained at once a vigorous growth.

ALDEMAR COMMANDERY NO. 5.

At Billings, in the center of famed Yellowstone Valley, a Masonic stronghold, having both a lodge and a chapter, in

the summer of 1886, was agitated the formation of a Commandery. The leading spirit in the movement was Samuel J. Prentiss, who circulated a petition for the purpose. A recommendation was also secured from Damascus No. 4, then located at Miles City. These were sent to Grand Master Roome, who granted a dispensation of date January 28, 1887, to Sir Prentiss, as Eminent Commander; Sir James H. McLeary as Generalissimo, and Sir Albert L. Babcock as Captain General, together with eight other Sir Knights to constitute the Commandery. They met on the evening of February 7, 1887, and opened Aldemar No. 5, and while under dispensation, knighted twenty-two candidates. The Grand Commandery of Montana having organized at Helena on May 14, 1888, the Sir Knights of Aldemar applied for and obtained, the following day, a charter. On June 19th, they organized with Sir Albert L. Babcock as Eminent Commander, Sir Horace S. Williston as Generalissimo, and Sir Philip M. Gallaher as Captain General; other officers were also duly selected. The installation was performed by Sir George M. Hays, proxy for the Grand Commander.

ST. BERNARD COMMANDERY NO. 6.

A number of Sir Knights located at Livingston, in Yellowstone Valley, where there was a strong lodge and chapter, decided in 1887 to institute a Commandery. A petition, headed by Sir Carl T. Peterson, was gotten up and presented to Grand Master Roome, praying for a dispensation. This was granted July 1, 1887, to Sir Peterson of Damascus No. 4 as Eminent Commander; Sir Benj. F. Myers of same, as Generalissimo, and Sir Frederick W. Wright, of same, as Captain General, ten others being associated with them under the dispensation. All but two of the number had been knighted in Damascus Commandery.

On the evening of July 14, 1887, they met and opened St. Bernard Commandery U. D. A petition for a charter was presented to the Grand Commander of Montana at its First

Conclave, May 14, 1888, the same being granted the following day, May 15th.

On September 22, and October 8, 1888, Sir Charles T. Peterson, proxy for the Grand Commander, met with the petitioners and instituted the Commandery, with Sir Benj. F. Myers as Eminent Commander; Sir Joseph C. Vilas as Generalissimo, and Sir Don L. Willard as Captain General, with the other officers.

ST. ELMO COMMANDERY NO. 7.

The lodge and chapter of Dillon, after erecting for themselves a handsome home, set about the formation of a Commandery. Lacking the necessary number to secure a dispensation, they applied to Montana Commandery and received the orders there. Application was then made to the Grand Commandery for a dispensation, which was granted by Commander Davidson, November 17, 1890, on recommendation of Virginia City No. 1. The dispensation was granted in the name of A. H. Barrett Commandery. On February 1, 1891, the Sir Knights met and organized under that name. At the Fourth Annual Conclave, held at Butte, October 13, 1891, the name was changed to St. Elmo, and a charter was granted. Sir Knight Edward D. Atkins, proxy for the Grand Commander, instituted the Commandery of St. Elmo on December 22, 1891, with Philip H. Poindexter as Eminent Commander; Goodwin T. Paul as Generalissimo, and Hersey D. Pickman as Captain General.

BLACK EAGLE COMMANDERY NO. 8.

In the fall of 1890 a number of Sir Knights at Great Falls agitated the formation of a Commandery, and the following winter, 1890-1891, a petition, headed by Sir Wm. B. Coombe and a dozen others was presented to the Grand Commander, asking for a dispensation. This petition was endorsed by Helena No. 2. In the absence of the Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander Sir. F. W. Wright issued a dispensation, dated February 5, 1891. Under this dispensation was

instituted Black Eagle Commandery U. D., on February 21, 1891. At the following Conclave a charter was asked for, and was granted by that body on October 13, 1891. Sir Edward D. Aikin, proxy, formally installed the officers of Black Eagle No. 8, November 13, 1891, with Wm. B. Coombe, Eminent Commander; James B. Carner, Generalissimo, and Wm. E. Chamberlain as Captain General.

ST. OMER COMMANDERY NO. 9.

In 1895, the formation of a Commandery was urged by the Sir Knights resident at Missoula, but little was done until the summer of 1897, when Sir Joseph Bradley, of Cataract Commandery, took matters in hand, and secured a petition, dated October 14, 1897, the same being also endorsed by Helena No. 2, October 19th, and Montana No. 3, October 21st. This being presented to Grand Commander Chamberlain, he issued the dispensation on October 21st. Under this authority, the petitioners assembled on the evening of October 29, 1897, and organized a Commandery. A petition for a charter was presented to the Eleventh Conclave of the Grand Commandery, held at Helena, September 12, 1898, and the same was granted by that body on the day named. There were thirty-six names signed to the petition.

Pursuant to invitations issued by Helena Commandery No. 2 Knights Templar and in accordance with the authority of the Grand Encampment of the United States at its Twenty-second Triennial Conclave, held in San Francisco, August 23, 1883, the representatives of the four chartered Commanderies of Montana, viz., Virginia City No. 1, Helena No. 2, Montana No. 3, and Damascus No. 4 met in the Asylum of the hall of Helena Commandery No. 2 Knights Templar, in the Masonic Temple at the city of Helena at 10 o'clock, a. m., May 14, 1888, and were called to order by Past Commander Sir Walter E. Frederick of Helena Commandery No. 2, who, as proxy for the Most Eminent Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States, Charles Roome, read the following warrant:

Grand Encampment Knights Templar,
United States, Grand Master's Office,

New York, April 9, 1888.

To All True and Courteous Knights Templar, Greeting:

WHEREAS, Application has been made to me, as Grand Master of Knights Templar in the United States by four Commanderies of Knights Templar, to-wit: Virginia City No. 1; Helena No. 2; Montana No. 3, and Damascus No. 4, located in the territory of Montana, to be constituted into a Grand Commandery, in and for said territory;

Now, therefore, I now, by virtue, of the power in me vested, do issue this my warrant therefor, and reposing special confidence in the integrity, zeal, and knowledge of that worthy Sir Knight, Walter E. Frederick, of Helena in the aforementioned Territory, I do by these presents constitute him as my proxy, for me and in my name, as Grand Master aforesaid to summons or otherwise meet at such place and at such time in the said Territory as may be convenient, such Knights Templar as may be entitled to be present, and then and there to fully organize a Grand Commandery for the Territory of Montana in accordance with the constitution and code of statutes of the Grand Encampment and install its officers, observing to make due return to me of his proceedings with this warrant.

Given under my hand the day and year above written.

CHARLES ROOME, Grand Master.

After the reading of the Grand Master's warrant, Sir Knight Samuel Word, as proxy for the Eminent Commander of Virginia City, Commandery No. 1, was elected to preside as Chairman and Cornelius Hedges, Past Commander of Helena Commandery No. 2 was elected Secretary. A committee of credentials was appointed and reported those present and entitled to seats as follows:

Virginia City No. 1—Sir Knight Samuel Word, proxy for Eminent Commander Julian M. Knight; Sir Knight Isaac R.

Alden, proxy for Generalissimo and Captain General; Sir Knight D. W. Tilton, Past Eminent Commander.

Helena Commandery No. 2—Sir Knight E. W. Knight, Eminent Commander; Sir Knight W. M. Baldwin, Generalissimo; Sir Knight John C. Major, Captain General; Sir Knight A. J. Fisk, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight C. Hedges, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight H. R. Comly, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight A. J. Davidson, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight W. E. Frederick, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight J. W. Hathaway, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight T. H. Kleinschmidt, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight H. M. Parchen, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight J. C. Maor, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight E. W. Knight, Past Eminent Commander.

Montana Commandery No. 3—Sir Knight E. D. Aiken, Eminent Commander; Sir Knight A. J. Dusseau, Generalissimo; Sir Knight H. G. Valiton, Captain General; Sir Knight W. A. Clark, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight A. W. Barnard, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight J. A. Hyde, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight Rodney Wing, Past Eminent Commander; Sir Knight A. H. Barret, Past Eminent Commander.

Damascus Commandery No. 4—Sir Knight E. A. Kreidler, Eminent Commander; Sir Knight A. C. Logan, proxy for W. B. Skinner, Generalissimo; Sir Knight T. J. Lanktree, proxy for N. W. B. Holbrook, Captain General.

E. W. KNIGHT, Chairman.

ISAAC R. ALDEN.

H. G. VALITON.

E. A. KREIDLER.

After the report of the committee a constitution was adopted, after which the chairman stated that the next order of business was the election of officers and designated Sir Knights Baldwin and Dusseau to act as tellers. The election was held with the following results: Right Eminent Commander, A. J. Fisk (2); Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, A. H. Barret (3); Eminent Grand Generalissimo, E. A. Kreidler (4); Eminent Grand Captain General, J. R. Alden

(1); Eminent Grand Prelate, F. T. Webb (2); Eminent Grand Senior Warden, W. N. Baldwin (2); Eminent Grand Junior Warden, H. G. Valiton (3); Eminent Grand Treasurer, A. J. Davidson (2); Eminent Grand Recorder, C. Hedges (2).

This completed the work of the convention and it adjourned *sine die*. Immediately upon the adjoining of the convention, Sir W. E. Frederick, as proxy for the Most Eminent Grand Master, having filled the several stations, proceeded to open a Commandery of Knights Templar in due form.

The Right Eminent Grand Commandery announced the following appointments: Eminent Grand Standard Bearer, A. L. Baccock; Eminent Grand Sword Bearer, E. D. Neill; Eminent Grand Warder, F. W. Wright; Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard, A. J. Dusseau, and the several elected and appointed officers were installed by Sir W. E. Frederick.

A committee of Commanderies U. D. was appointed for installation and in due time made report upon the records of Aldemar Commandery at Billings and St. Bernard Commandery at Livingston and recommended that charters be issued to the present officers and members and that they be enrolled on the registry of the Grand Commandery of the Territory of Montana as Aldemar Commandery No. 5 and St. Bernard No. 6; the recommendation was adopted.

Grand Commandery adjourned until May 15th, at 2 o'clock p. m., after which a special meeting of Helena Comandery was held and the order of the Red Cross was conferred by Sir Knight E. A. Kreidler as Sovereign Master upon Samuel R. Douglass.

The Grand Commandery met in session May 15, 1888 at 2 o'clock, p. m., at which time a number of committees were appointed and considerable routine business transacted.

C. HEDGES, Grand Recorder.

The total membership of the jurisdiction was as follows: Virginia City No. 1, 28; Helena No. 2, 64; Montana No. 3, 33; Damascus No. 4, 19; Aldemar No. 5, 33; St. Bernard No. 6, 25. Total, 202.

Meetings of the Grand Commandery have been held regularly every year since.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901,

R. E. Sir Knight James H. Monteath, Butte, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Joseph J. Hindson, Helena, Deputy Grand Com-
 mander.
 E. Sir Knight Edwin H. Brewster, Glendive, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight Richard H. Wearing, Billings, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight Francis D. Jones, Helena, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight William F. Brown, Great Falls, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Henry M. Parchen, Helena, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Edward D. Neill, Livingston, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Frank D. Lewis, Missoula, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight Joseph Bradley, Billings, Grand Standard Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Alexander Fraser, Dillon, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Emerson Hill, Grand Warder.
 _____, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

1888 Andrew J. Fisk.	1895 Edward D. Neill.
1889 Anthony H. Barret.	1896 Cornelius Hedges.
1890 Ansalem J. Davidson.	1897 William E. Chamberlain.
1891 Carl T. Peterson.	1898 Edward C. Day.
1892 *Edward D. Aiken.	1899 George M. Hays.
1893 Albert L. Babcock.	1900 James H. Monteath.
1894 Michael C. Riley.	1901 Joseph J. Hindson.

*DECEASED.

Montana Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
15	1	VIRGINIA CITY	Virginia City	George H. Gohn	Robert Vickers
93	2	HELENA	Helena	Alex. M. Palmer	George Booker
86	3	MONTANA	Butte	J. Benton Leggat	Edwin Skinner
30	4	DAMASCUS	Glendive	Henri J. Haskell	James W. McKenzie
38	5	ALDEMAR	Billings	Charles R. E. Spear	Robert T. Leavins
40	6	ST. BERNARD	Livingston	John A. Savage	Josiah C. Vilas
22	7	ST. ELMO	Dillon	L. D. Grater	Fidel Huber
65	8	BLACK EAGLE	Great Falls	Marshal N. Race	William P. Beachly
37	9	ST. OMER	Missoula	Tyler B. Thompson	Sidney J. Coffee
	10	CYRENE	Kalispell
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The Order of the Temple in Nebraska.

By
Francis E. White,
Grand Recorder
and Past Grand Com-
mander of the
Grand Commandery
of Nebraska.

THE Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Nebraska was organized on the 28th day of December, 1871, by duly accredited representatives from Mt. Calvary Commandery at Omaha, Mt. Olivet Commandery at Nebraska City, Mt. Carmel Commandery at Brownville, and Mt. Moriah Commandery at Lincoln.

On the 16th day of November, 1871, Most Eminent Sir John Q. A. Fellows, Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States of America, issued his warrant authorizing the four Commanderies above named to meet at such time and place as might be agreed upon for the purpose of forming and constituting a Grand Commandery. On the same day said Grand Master issued his warrant appointing Right Eminent Sir Theodore S. Parvin, of Iowa, as his proxy, and as such, authorizing him to constitute said Grand Commandery and install its officers.

On the 28th day of December, 1871, the representatives of the four Commanderies above named assembled for the purpose aforesaid as follows:

Mt. Calvary Commandery, Omaha.—Sirs Champion S. Chase, Edwin A. Allen, and Eben K. Long.

Mt. Olivet Commandery, Nebraska City.—Sirs William E. Hill and Henry Brown.

Mt. Carmel Commandery, Brownville.—Sirs Robert W. Furnas, Henry L. Crist, and Daniel H. Wheeler.

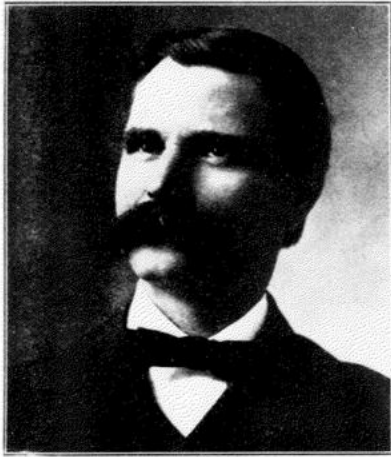
Mt. Moriah Commandery, Lincoln.—Sirs James M. Hurty, Rolland H. Oakley and Homan J. Walsh.

Sir Champion S. Chase was elected chairman of the con-

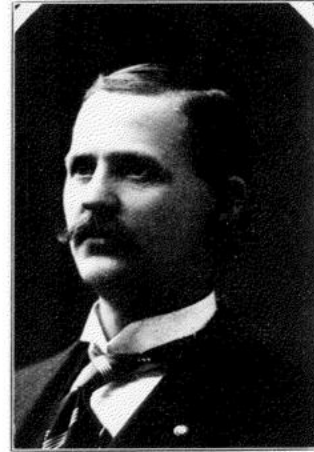
vention of said representatives and Sir Rolland H. Oakley was elected secretary, and after the adoption of a code of statutes and regulations for the government of said Grand Commandery, said convention proceeded to the selection of the following officers to serve for the first Templar year thereafter: Sir Harry P. Deuel, Grand Commander; Sir William E. Hill, Deputy Grand Commander; Sir James M. Hurty, Grand Generalissimo; Sir Daniel H. Wheeler, Grand Captain General; Sir Rev. George C. Betts, Grand Prelate; Sir Champion S. Chase, Grand Senior Warden; Sir Rolland H. Oakley, Grand Junior Warden; Sir Henry Brown, Grand Treasurer; Sir Robert W. Furnas, Grand Recorder; Sir Eben K. Long, Grand Standard Bearer; Sir John Reed, Grand Sword Bearer; Sir John Blake, Grand Warder; Sir Homan J. Walsh, Grand Captain of the Guards.

These officers were duly installed and the Grand Commandery of the State of Nebraska declared to have been duly constituted.

At this time the membership of the four Commanderies thus constituting the Grand Commandery was 178. Since that time the Grand Commandery has constantly grown in numbers and influence and has held an Annual Conclave each year up to the present time. From 178, its membership at the time of its organization, has grown until on February 28, 1900, it had a membership of 1,640. From the time of its organization up to the present time it has had twenty-nine Grand Commanders, all except six of whom are still living. The complete list of these Grand Commanders is as follows: Harry P. Deuel, Robert W. Furnas, Orsamus H. Irish, Rolland H. Oakley, Charles F. Catlin, James W. Moore, Daniel H. Wheeler, George H. Thummel, Joseph K. Marlay,



R. EM. SIR FRANCIS E. WHITE.
Grand Recorder; Grand Commander 1883-84; Past Commander Mt. Zion
Commandery No. 5—Plattsmouth.



EM. SIR BENJAMIN F. PITMAN.
Commander Melita Commandery No. 22—Chadron.

NEBRASKA—GRAND OFFICERS KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: MT. ZION NO. 5, PLATTSMOUTH;
MELITA NO. 22, CHADRON.

Eben K. Long, Francis E. White, Samuel G. Owen, Thomas Sewall, Allen B. Smith, Edwin F. Warren, Edgar S. Dudley, John J. Wemple, Henry Gibbons, Lewis M. Keene, Louis H. Kory, Edgar C. Salisbury, William R. Bowen, James A. Tulleys, Charles B. Finch, Richard P. R. Millar, Edwin C. Webster, Wilton K. Williams, George W. Lininger and Thomas G. Rees.

The constituent Commanderies have increased from four at the time of organization of the Grand Commandery to twenty-four at the present time. Each of these Commanderies is reasonably well equipped for the conferring of the orders and the conduct of its general business and at each Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery the rule is quite general for each of said Commanderies to have representatives among its membership.

At the Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, held at Lincoln on January 6, 1875, the following resolution was adopted, which has continued to be the law of the Grand Commandery upon that subject to the present time:

"Resolved, That hereafter all officers and members of this Grand Commandery be required to appear in full uniform at Annual Conclaves."

The two new Commanderies first chartered by the Grand Commandery were Mt. Zion Commandery No. 5, located at Plattsmouth and Mt. Lebanon Commandery No. 6, located at Grand Island. The charters for these Commanderies were ordered issued on the 12th day of November, 1873.

At its Annual Conclave held January 6, 1875, the law of the jurisdiction was amended so as to provide that:

"The Past Commanders of the several Commanderies within its jurisdiction shall be and they are hereby constituted life members of the Grand Commandery of the State of Nebraska; and each one of them, when present, shall be entitled to one vote in all of its proceedings."

This provision has been quite effective in increasing the efficiency and importance of the Grand Commandery. By this provision the most experienced and capable Sir Knights

within the jurisdiction are made life members of the Grand Commandery.

At its Annual Conclave, held April 7, 1880, it being learned that Eminent Sir George W. Lininger was about to visit the Old World, traveling in search of further light in Masonry, on motion of Past Grand Commander Daniel H. Wheeler, it was resolved that the Grand Commander and Grand Recorder be instructed to prepare a suitable certificate of the knightly standing of Sir Knight George W. Lininger commending him to the knightly courtesy and attention of all Sir Knights and Commands with whom he may meet during his sojourn abroad. In accordance with this resolution a suitable certificate was prepared and presented to Sir Knight George W. Lininger for the purpose indicated.

During his travels abroad, Sir Knight George W. Lininger gained very much information relating to the Order, particularly relating to the Island of Malta and the city of Jerusalem, which he afterwards, in a truly knightly and courteous manner, communicated to the Grand Commandery.

On the 13th day of November, 1873, the Grand Commandery in Annual Conclave assembled, elected Sir Knight William R. Bowen as its Grand Recorder. Sir Knight Bowen thereafter continued in the service of the Grand Commandery as its Grand Recorder, until the day of his death, with the exception of one year during which he served the Grand Commandery as its Right Eminent Grand Commander, he having been elected Grand Commander at the Annual Conclave, which convened in the city of Fremont, Nebraska, on the 11th day of April, 1893, and served with efficiency until his successor was elected and installed Grand Commander in April, 1894, when Sir Knight William R. Bowen was re-elected Grand Recorder, and thereafter continued to serve until May 6, 1899, when death terminated his earthly existence. Really, however, Sir Bowen's services as Grand Recorder were continuous from the time of his first election to the date of his death, because when he was elected and installed Grand Commander, Eminent Sir Thomas A. Creigh, who was

at the same time elected Grand Recorder, declined to be installed out of deference to Sir Bowen and during that year Right Eminent Sir Bowen served this Grand Commandery as its Grand Commander and Grand Recorder as well.

Among the many regulations with which the name of Sir Knight Bowen was intimately associated, was the regulation making membership in the Commandery dependent upon and co-existent with membership in a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. On the first day of May, 1889, Sir Knight Bowen introduced in this Grand Commandery a resolution in vigorous terms declaring that it was the sense of this Grand Jurisdiction that membership in a Commandery must be dependent upon and co-existent with membership in a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. This resolution thus introduced by Sir Knight Bowen was unanimously adopted as expressing the judgment of this Grand Commandery, and the Grand Encampment of the United States was requested to so amend its statutes and regulations as to adopt this regulation.

At the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of the United States held in the city of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, in 1898, Sir Knight Bowen was one of the representatives from the Grand Commandery of Nebraska, and he and his associates succeeded in securing the adoption of the above regulation as a part of the law of the Grand Encampment.

This Grand Commandery is very largely indebted to this Right Eminent Frater for the high standing which has been accorded to it among the Grand Commanderies of the United States.

At his death Right Eminent George W. Lininger, the Grand Commander, with the universal approval of his Fraters, appointed Past Grand Commander Francis E. White as his successor. This appointment was unanimously endorsed by the Grand Commandery at its last session when Right Eminent Sir Francis E. White was by the unanimous vote of the Grand Commandery chosen Grand Recorder.

On the 8th day of April, 1891, the Grand Commandery adopted the following, and made the same a part of the law of this Grand Commandery:

"Each Commandery in this jurisdiction is hereby ordered to assemble at its Asylum, or other suitable place, on Good Friday, Easter, or Ascension Day, as it may elect, in each year, with or without uniform, for religious services suitable to the occasion."

This regulation, since that time, has been scrupulously observed within this Grand Jurisdiction. In the observance of this regulation, it is the almost universal custom of Commanderies to assemble at their respective Asylums, and thence march in a body in full uniform (but without swords), to some church in the city in which such Commandery is located, and there engage in religious service, on one of the days named in this regulation of each year. In this manner the Commanderies, in obedience to the regulations of the Grand Commandery, exemplify before the world their belief in and fidelity to the Christian religion.

At its Annual Conclave, which convened in Omaha on the 23d day of April, 1895, upon the recommendation of Grand Recorder William R. Bowen, the Grand Commandery added to its list of standing committees, a committee "on the office of the Grand Commandery." It further ordered, that this committee should always consist of the Grand Commander, the Grand Recorder and the Junior Past Grand Commander. It was made the duty of this Committee to recommend to the Grand Commandery from time to time such improvements as should be made in the office of the Grand Commandery and its equipments, and in the preservation of its archives, and to be ready to act upon any opportunity that may offer for better and more secure accommodations. This committee has been continued as a part of the working force of the Grand Commandery ever since. Under its supervision the archives of the Grand Commandery, through the munificence of the Masonic fraternity of Omaha, have been greatly extended and perfected. The fire-proof vault room, furnished through the liberality of our Fraters in Omaha, consists of two rooms, one immediately above the other, which are used by the Grand Commandery jointly with the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter and Grand Council, is fitted up and furnished for the

purposes for which it was designed in a very satisfactory manner. The shelving is arranged so that the proceedings, documents, etc., belonging to each of the separate Grand bodies above referred to are conveniently placed so as to be readily accessible at any time.

At its Annual Conclave, which convened in Omaha on the 21st day of April, 1898, the attention of the Grand Commandery was called to the proposition, to permanently locate the headquarters of the Grand Encampment of the United States in the city of Washington; and that the matter would be finally determined at the Triennial Conclave at Pittsburg in 1898. This matter was called to the attention of the Grand Commandery by Past Grand Commander Daniel H. Wheeler, and a committee upon the subject was appointed of which Past Grand Commander Robert W. Furnas was made chairman. This committee submitted the following report, which was unanimously adopted:

"To the Grand Commandery of Nebraska:

"WHEREAS, There is now pending and under consideration, a proposition to permanently locate the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States at the city of Washington; therefore,

"Resolved, That the Grand Commandery of Nebraska is opposed to such location.

"Resolved, That the representatives of this Grand Commandery to the Grand Encampment of the United States be and are hereby instructed to vote against the location named;

"Resolved, That the members of the Grand Encampment of the United States from this jurisdiction are earnestly requested to vote with the representatives of this Grand Commandery in opposition to the location as indicated."

As thus directed by the Grand Commandery, its representatives to the Grand Encampment at Pittsburg zealously resisted the permanent location of the Grand Encampment at the city of Washington. Western Grand Commanderies generally joined in this resistance, which became so effectual that the proposition to thus locate permanently the Grand Encampment was defeated.

At the Annual Conclave of this Grand Commandery, which convened at Hastings on the 13th day of April, 1899, the Grand Commander R. E. Wilton K. Williams, in his address in referring to the pilgrimage to the Grand Encampment at Pittsburg, among other things, says:

"In some respects the session was the most important one that has been held for many years. The entire code of statutes was considered, amended and adopted. We now have a constitution and a code of statutes properly compiled and including all enactments to date.

"Among the many beneficial changes we note the following: 'Hereafter voluntary non-affiliation in lodge or chapter for six months shall deprive a Knight Templar of his membership in the Commandery. No jurisdictional requirements shall attach to a petition for membership in a Commandery. Commanderies can, by request of another Commandery, confer the orders upon one who has been elected to receive them, without a dispensation from the Grand Commander. No person is eligible to any office in the Grand Encampment, unless he shall be at the time a member thereof, and also a member of a subordinate Commandery.'

It is indeed a great satisfaction to the Commanderies composing this Grand Commandery to note that at the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment at Pittsburg, Right Eminent Sir George W. Lininger, now Past Grand Commander, was appointed to arrange for the Grand Encampment, which is to assemble in the city of Louisville, Kentucky, in 1901.

At this Conclave of the Grand Commandery a number of important amendments were made to our law on the recommendation of the Committee on the Codification of the Law, and after those amendments were made the entire code of laws as amended was adopted, and on motion of Past Grand Commander Daniel H. Wheeler, it was

"Resolved, That the Grand Recorder be and he is hereby directed to have printed 300 copies of the constitution and laws of this Grand Commandery as codified and approved at this Conclave, and bind the same with the code of statutes of the Grand Encampment of the United States, the same to



EM. SIR SAMUEL W. HAYES,
Treasurer and Past Commander Damascus Commandery No. 20; Grand
Master A. F. & A. M. 1883-84—Norfolk, Neb.

be distributed to the several subordinate commanderies so far as needed and the remainder to be kept by the Grand Recorder for the future use of this Grand Body; the same to be electrotyped."

In pursuance of this resolution the Grand Recorder has published and distributed the constitution and code of statutes of this Grand Body.

At its Annual Conclave, which convened at Lincoln on the 26th day of April, 1900, Right Eminent Sir George W. Lininger, the Grand Commander very tenderly and appreciatingly referred to the death, during the year then just past, of two Past Grand Commanders. Later in the session the Committee on deceased Templars made its report from which we extract the following:

"Among the number called from labor to eternal refreshment during the past year, are two, who so worthily filled the duties assigned them that this Grand Body selected them to fill the high station of Grand Commander, at separate times. Right Eminent Sir William R. Bowen not only was chosen by this Grand Body to adorn the exalted station of Grand Commander, but also served this Grand Commandery for nearly a quarter of a century as its Grand Recorder. His fame as a wise and accomplished Mason became world wide, and his death brought forth condolence from the most prominent Templars in many of the other Grand Jurisdictions throughout the world.

"Right Eminent Sir Richard P. R. Millar, also eminently adorned the station of Grand Commander. In every station he was called to fill, faithfulness to duty, and efficiency in its discharge were his grand characteristics. Warmly do we appreciate the zeal, fidelity and ability of these our honored dead, and fondly will we cherish their memory."

This report was unanimously adopted by a rising vote and memorial pages were ordered to be set apart in memory of these illustrious Fraters.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901,

- R. E. Sir Knight Samuel P. Davidson, Tecumseh, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight Frank E. Bullard, North Platte, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight Fred W. Vaughan, Fremont, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight William J. Turner, Lincoln, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight Carroll D. Evans, Columbus, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight John W. Hughes, Hebron, Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Byron W. Marsh, University Pl., Grand Prelate.
- E. Sir Knight Henry C. Akin, Omaha, Grand Treasurer.
- E. Sir Knight Francis E. White, Plattsmouth, Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight Elias W. Bechtol, Holdrege, Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight George W. Holland, Falls City, Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight James W. Maynard, Omaha, Grand Warder.
- E. Sir Knight Robt. McConaughy, York, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

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| Harry P. Deuel. | Edgar S. Dudley. |
| Robert W. Furnas. | John J. Wemple. |
| *Orsamus H. Irish. | Henry Gibbons. |
| Rolland H. Oakley. | Lewis M. Keene. |
| Charles F. Catlin. | Lewis H. Korty. |
| James W. Moore. | Edgar C. Salisbury. |
| Daniel H. Wheeler. | *William R. Bowen. |
| George H. Thummel. | James A. Tulleys. |
| *Joseph K. Marlay. | Charles B. Finch. |
| Eben K. Long. | *Richard P. R. Millar. |
| Francis E. White. | Edwin C. Webster. |
| *Samuel G. Owen. | Wilton K. Williams. |
| *Thomas Sewell. | George W. Lininger. |
| Allen B. Smith. | Thomas G. Rees. |
| Edwin F. Warren. | |

*DECEASED.

Nebraska Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
215	1	MT. CALVARY	Omaha	Benjamin F. Thomas	Eben K. Long
47	2	MT. OLIVET	Nebraska City	Claude Watson	Elihanan Zook
25	3	MT. CARMEL	Auburn	Edward M. Boyd	Thomas W. Eustice
157	4	MT. MORIAH	Lincoln	Rolland H. Oakley	James E. R. Miller
33	5	MT. ZION	Plattsmouth	Francis E. White	John C. Petersen
72	6	MT. LEBANON	Grand Island	Matthew H. Wilkins	George D. Hetzel
94	7	MT. HERMON	Beatrice	William W. Johnston	Legene S. Sage
37	8	MT. SINAI	Falls City	Frank C. Wiser	Amos E. Gantt
124	9	MT. TABOR	Fremont	Lewis M. Keene	David Franklin
47	10	MT. HOREB	Tecumseh	Charles A. Pierce	Jacob S. Dew
83	11	MT. NEBO	Hastings	George W. Tibbets	David M. McElhinney
94	12	MT. HEBRON	Kearney	William H. Roe	Theodore N. Hartzell
62	13	PALESTINE	North Platte	Charles McDonald	John Sorenson
35	14	CYRENE	Red Cloud	Robert M. Cochrane	Stephen F. Spokesfield
88	15	JORDAN	Blair	Edward C. Jackson	William Kelly
56	16	ST. JOHN	McCook	Charles W. Bronson	George S. Bishop
84	17	JOPPA	York	Robert McConaughy	George R. Reed
68	18	BETHLEHEM	Hebron	H. Walter Bever	Thomas C. Marshall
32	19	MT. ELIAS	Holdrege	Daniel J. Fink	Elias W. Begthol
72	20	DAMASCUS	Norfolk	Andrew H. Viele	Ernest H. Tracy
42	21	GETHSEMANE	Columbus	Camden J. Garlow	Charles E. Pollock
32	22	MELITA	Chadron	Benjamin F. Pitman	Fred S. Rust
37	23	MT. ARABAT	St. Paul	John W. Templin, Sr.	Robert Harvey
24	24	JERUSAEM	Bloomfield	Sherman Saunders	Ephraim Lauver
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The Order of the Temple in Nevada.

**De Witt Clinton
Commandery
No. 1,
Knights Templar,
Virginia City.**

IN the month of September, A. D., 1866, sundry Sir Knights Templar, residents of Storey, Lyon, and Ormsby counties, in the State of Nevada, were invited by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Nevada, to unite with that body and be present at the ceremonies of laying the corner-stone of the United States Branch Mint, located at Carson City, in Ormsby county. Accordingly a number of Sir Knights assembled and acted as an escort to the Most Worthy Grand Lodge on the twenty-fourth day of said month. After the conclusion of the ceremonies, the Sir Knights present, after due deliberation, decided to take the necessary steps to form a Commandery of their Order, to be located at Virginia, in Storey county, and Sir Jacob L. Van Bokkelen was appointed to correspond with the officers of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, and take the requisite steps to obtain a dispensation.

After considerable correspondence, a preliminary meeting was held at Virginia City on December 16, 1866, at which time the name of the Commandery, "DeWitt Clinton Commandery No. 1," was selected, and petition for dispensation

signed by sixteen Sir Knights. Dispensation was issued by Grand Master Henry L. Palmer, and the first assembly was held in Masonic Hall, Virginia City, on the evening of April 19, 1867.

A charter was granted by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar at Triennial Convocation, held in St. Louis, Mo., on 21st day of October, 1868.

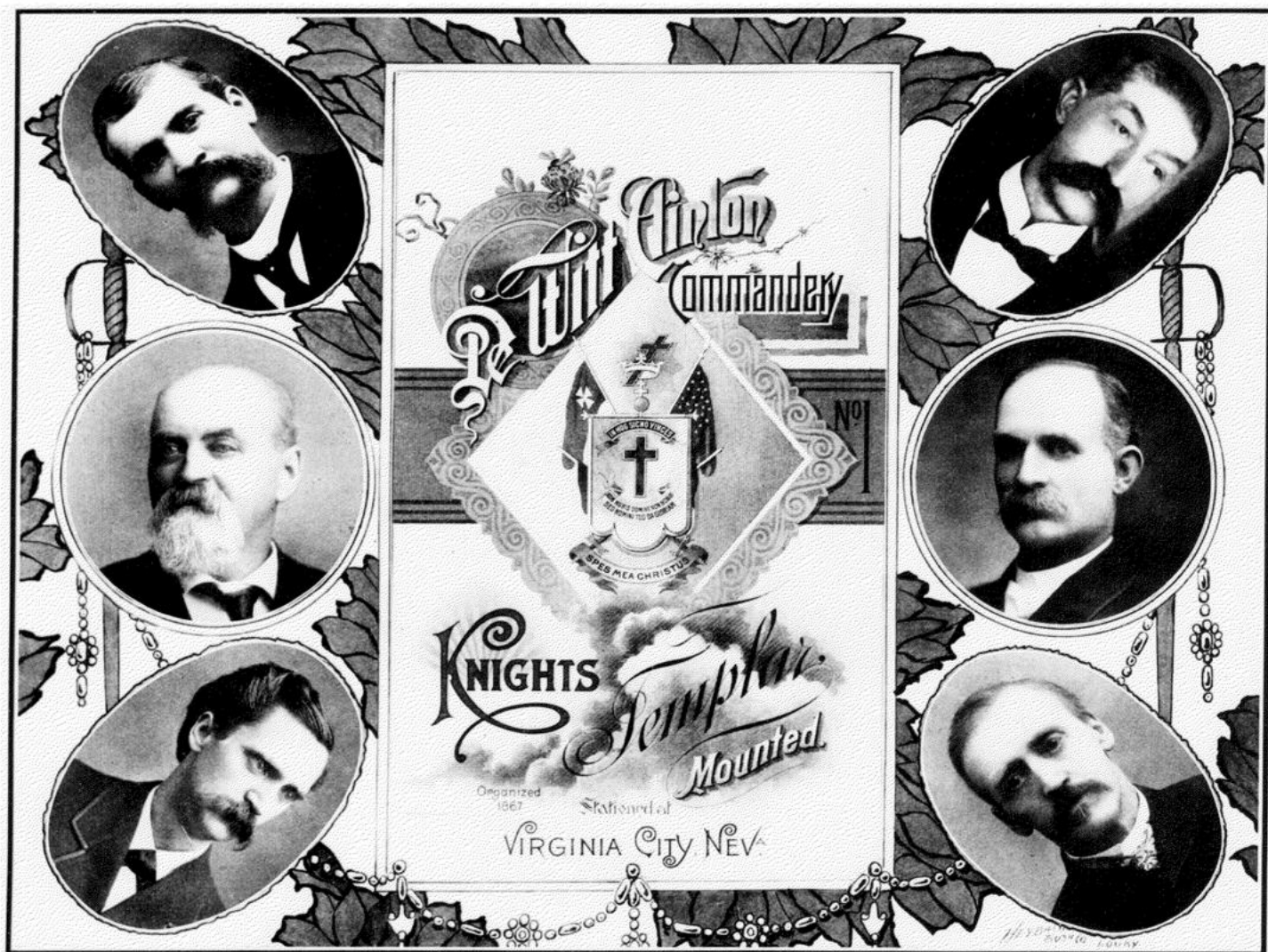
DeWitt Clinton is a Mounted Commandery, has had thirteen Eminent Commanders, and has a membership of ninety Sir Knights.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

Sir William Sutherland, E. Commander.
 Sir George W. Alexander, Generalissimo.
 Sir Robert S. Meacham, Captain General.
 Sir Sargent A. Chapman, Senior Warden.
 Sir Jacob F. Steffan, Junior Warden.
 Sir Henry Patey, Prelate.
 Sir John Wheelan Eckley, Treasurer.
 Sir William Southwell, Recorder.
 Sir Samuel Gerrans, Standard Bearer.
 Sir Samuel Dowling, Sword Bearer.
 Sir Herman B. J. Scheel, Warder.
 Sir John S. McCullough, Sentinel.
 Sir William H. Coffey, First Guard.
 Sir Alex. O. Percy, Second Guard.
 Sir Albert Lackey, Third Guard.

Nevada Commanderies, Commanders, Records and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
87	1	DEWITT CLINTON	Virginia City	William Sutherland	William Southwell
35	2	EUREKA	Eureka	John Hancock, Sr.	Jacob H. Hoegh
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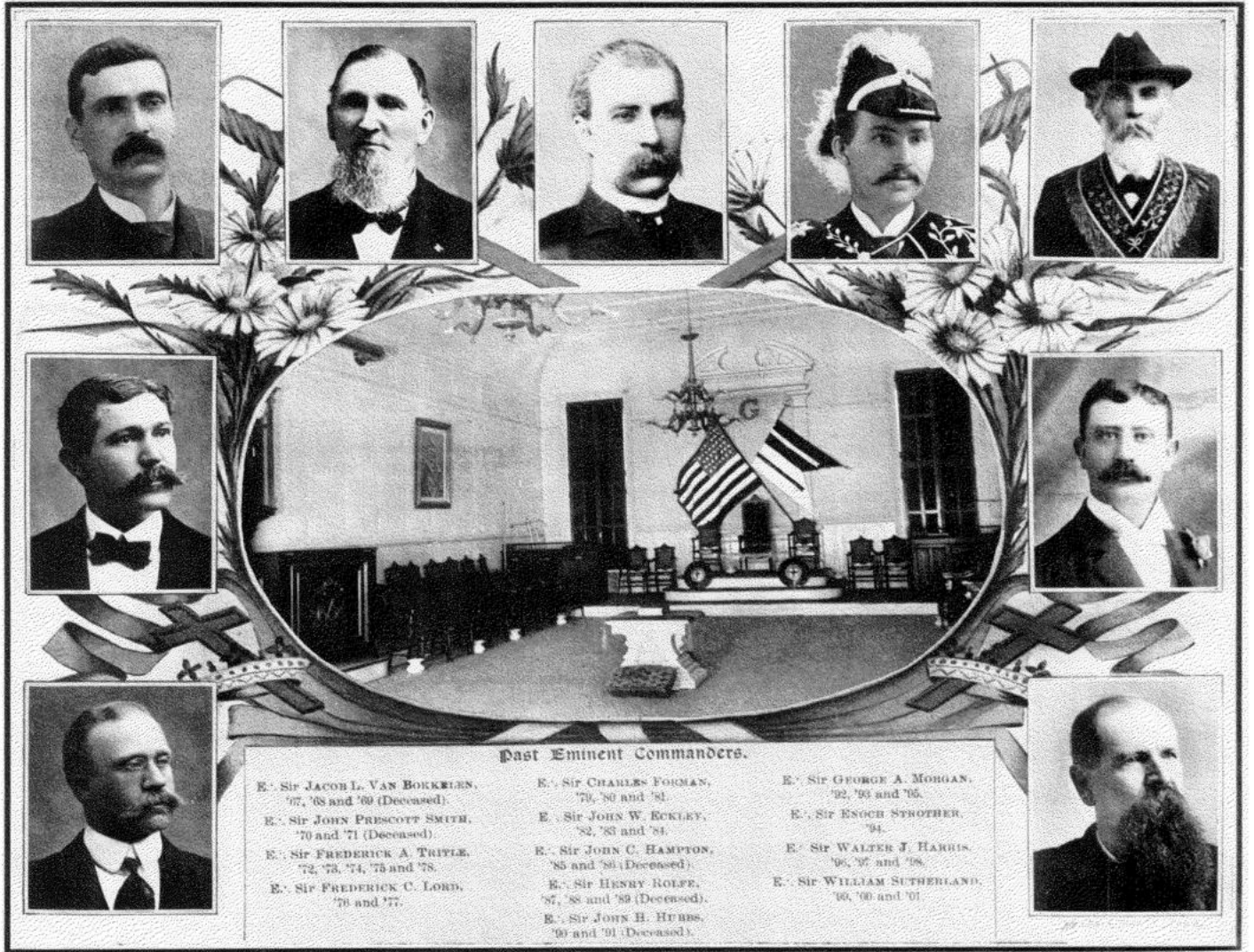


F. SIR WM. SUTHERLAND, Eminent Commander.
 SIR ROBT. S. MEACHAM, Captain General.
 E. SIR JOHN W. ECKLEY, Treasurer.

NEVADA—OFFICERS 1901-02.

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SIR GEO. W. ALEXANDER, Generalissimo.
 SIR HENRY PATEY, Prelate.
 SIR WM. SOUTHWELL, Recorder.



Past Eminent Commanders.

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| E. Sir JACOB L. VAN BOKKRIEN,
'07, '08 and '09 (Deceased). | E. Sir CHARLES FORMAN,
'79, '80 and '81. | E. Sir GEORGE A. MORGAN,
'92, '93 and '95. |
| E. Sir JOHN PRESCOTT SMITH,
'70 and '71 (Deceased). | E. Sir JOHN W. ECKLEY,
'82, '83 and '84. | E. Sir ENOCH STROTHER,
'94. |
| E. Sir FREDERICK A. TRIBLE,
'72, '73, '74, '75 and '78. | E. Sir JOHN C. HAMPTON,
'85 and '89 (Deceased). | E. Sir WALTER J. HARRIS,
'95, '97 and '98. |
| E. Sir FREDERICK C. LORD,
'76 and '77. | E. Sir HENRY ROLFE,
'87, '88 and '89 (Deceased). | E. Sir WILLIAM SUTHERLAND,
'66, '69 and '71. |
| | E. Sir JOHN B. HUBBS,
'90 and '91 (Deceased). | |

SIR SAMUEL GERRANS,
Standard Bearer.
SIR SARG. A. CHAPMAN,
Senior Warden.
SIR HERMAN B. J. SCHEEL,
Warder.

OFFICERS DE WITT CLINTON COMMANDERY, 1901-02.

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SIR SAM'L DOWLING,
Sword Bearer.

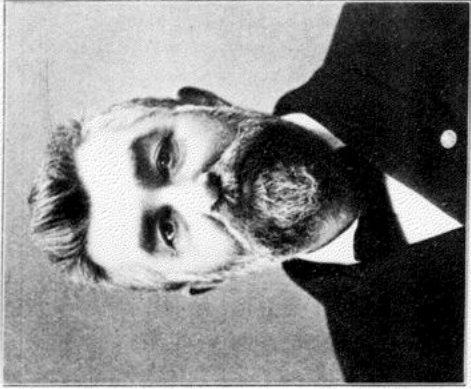
SIR WM. H. COFFEY,
First Guard.

SIR ALEX. O. PERCY,
Second Guard.

SIR ALBERT LACKEY,
Third Guard.
SIR JACOB F. STEFFAN,
Junior Warden.
SIR JOHN S. Mc'ULLOUGH,
Sentinel.



H. EM. SIR GEORGE F. McALLISTER.
Commander 1900-01; Past Commander
Grand
Trinity Commandery—Manchester.



EM. SIR FRANK DANA WOODHURY.
Grand Recorder; Past Commander Mount Horeb
Commandery—Concord.



EM. SIR GEORGE DOUGLAS McCAULEY.
Commander Mount Horeb Commandery 1900-01-02
—Concord.



EM. SIR BENJAMIN F. ST. CLAIR.
Commander Pilgrim Commandery 1900-01-02
—Laconia.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.
COMMANDERIES: 'TRINITY, MANCHESTER; MOUNT HOREB, CONCORD;
PILGRIM, LACONIA.**

Commanderies are not numbered in New Hampshire.

The Order of the Temple in New Hampshire.

By
Frank D. Wood-
bury,
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of
New Hampshire.

FROM the records it appears that a State Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, for the State of New Hampshire, was formed on the 13th of June, A. D., 1826, by a convention of delegates from the several encampments in the State, under a warrant of dispensation from Henry Fowle, then Deputy General Grand Master of the General Grand Encampment of the United States of America, dated May 27, A. D., 1826.

There were then three encampments in the State, to-wit: DeWitt Clinton, at Portsmouth; Trinity, at Hanover, and Mount Horeb, at Hopkinton.

The Grand Encampment continued to keep up its organization, without increasing its number of subordinates, holding its annual meetings regularly, until June 8, 1836, when it held its last meeting.

About this time, when a strong anti-Masonic excitement was raging with unchecked violence, sweeping over the country like an inundating deluge, or an irresistible tornado, threatening to lay waste and destroy every vestige of Free Masonry throughout our land, the hearts of many ardent friends and zealous advocates of the Order became discouraged and their efforts paralyzed.

Symbolic, Capitular and Templar Masonry were made targets at which were hurled the envenomed darts of bitter persecution, vindictive malice, ignorance, hatred, and all uncharitableness.

Many subordinate lodges, chapters, and encampments ceased to keep up their organization; some for want of pat-

ronage, others from fear of an infuriated populace, and more from a sense of prudence and sound discretion.

As the flood of Masonic persecution abated, and the turbulent waters of passion and strife subsided, affording a resting place for the dove of peace, and, as the winds of popular frenzy became lulled and the public mind more tranquil, and intelligence, reason, candor and a spirit of liberality assumed the sway over ignorance, bigotry, superstition and intolerance, Free Masonry, like "truth crushed to earth," began to rise, revive, increase and flourish, with new life and increased vigor.

Dormant lodges were resuscitated, new lodges multiplied, and members everywhere increased to a degree unparalleled in the history of the institution.

Royal Arch and Templar Masonry, as well as Symbolic, received a new impulse. Most of the subordinate chapters and two of the encampments in the State, which had long lain dormant (to-wit: Trinity and Mount Horeb), became reorganized; two new Commanderies were instituted, to-wit: St. Paul, at Dover, and North Star, at Lancaster; all giving promise of permanency, future prosperity and usefulness.

By a revision of the General Grand Constitution of the General Grand Encampment of the United States, in 1856, the name was changed to that of "Grand Encampment of the United States of America." State Grand bodies of Templar Masonry were styled "State Grand Commanderies," and subordinates to them were termed "Commanderies."

In 1860, there being a constitutional number of Commanderies in New Hampshire to form a State Grand Commandery, it was thought to be more convenient that they should be directly amenable to and under the jurisdiction and control of

a State Grand Commandery, than remain, as they were, under the immediate jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of the United States, whose meetings were held triennially, and often at too remote a distance for them to be represented therein without incurring great expense.

To this end a convention of delegates of the several Commanderies was duly notified and held in June, 1860, delegates from all the Commanderies in the State being present, and a State Grand Commandery for the State of New Hampshire was duly formed.

The Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, on being informed of the preliminary proceedings toward organizing a State Grand Commandery, and that it appeared to be the general wish to reorganize under the old warrant of dispensation, if the same could be found, expressed doubts whether that could be done consistently with the changes which had since been made in the constitution of the Grand Encampment of the United States, and recommended an entirely new organization, under a new warrant of dispensation, and expressed his willingness to grant his warrant of dispensation, upon proper application therefor.

Acting upon the suggestion of the Most Eminent Grand Master, the committee appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the installation of the Grand Officers elect, preferred their petition to him for a warrant of dispensation, which he issued, and under which the State Grand Commandery of New Hampshire afterward became fully and duly organized.

Since the organization of the Grand Commandery, six Commanderies have been instituted: Sullivan, at Claremont; Hugh de Payens, at Keene; St. George, at Nashua; St. Gerard, at Littleton; Pilgrim, at Laconia; Palestine, at Rochester; so that there are now eleven Commanderies, with a membership, when the last annual returns were made, September 24, 1901, of 2,282.

The present (1901) Grand Officers are:

- R. E. Sir Knight Frank Luther Sanders, Concord, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Thomas Marshall Fletcher, Alder Brook, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight Isaac Long Heath, Manchester, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight William Hinkley Thompson, Lancaster, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight Charles Francis Sawyer, Dover, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Charles Fitch Batchelder, Concord, Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Joseph Kidder, Manchester, Grand Prelate.
- R. E. Sir Knight Charles Carroll Hayes, Manchester, Grand Treasurer.
- E. Sir Knight Frank Dana Woodbury, Concord, Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight Stephen Shannon Jewett, Laconia, Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Charles Horace Hersey, Keene, Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Robert Vaughan Sweet, Rochester, Grand Warder.
- E. Sir Knight John McLane, Milford, Grand Captain of the Guard.

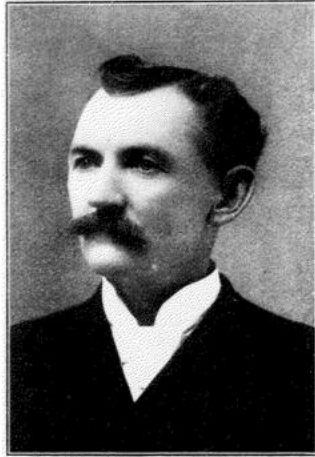
PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

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| *Daniel Balch. | *Andrew Bunton. |
| *Albert R. Hatch. | John Francis Webster. |
| *John S. Kidder. | Don. H. Woodward. |
| *Charles A. Tufts. | Charles N. Towle. |
| Henry O. Kent. | *John J. Bell. |
| *William Barrett. | Edward R. Kent. |
| *John D. Patterson. | Charles C. Danforth. |
| *Abel Hutchins. | Henry A. Marsh. |
| Joseph W. Fellows. | George W. Currier. |
| Solon A. Carter. | Thaddeus E. Sanger. |
| *John R. Holbrook. | Charles C. Hayes. |
| Chauncey H. Greene. | Daniel C. Roberts. |
| Albert S. Wait. | John Hatch. |
| *Joseph W. Hildreth. | Henry B. Quinby. |
| *Benjamin F. Rackley. | George I. McAllister. |
| Nathan P. Hunt. | Frank L. Sanders. |
| Milton A. Taylor. | |

*DECEASED.

New Hampshire Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
320	1	TRINITY	Manchester	Arthur S. Bunton	George I. McAllister
179	2	DEWITT CLINTON	Portsmouth	Walter H. Page	James L. Parker
312	3	MOUNT HOBEB	Concord	George D. McCauley	John F. Webster
261	4	NORTH STAR	Lancaster	Fred D. Noyes	Marshall D. Richardson
236	5	ST. PAUL	Dover	B. Frank Nealley	John H. Nealley
153	6	SULLIVAN	Claremont	Webster Thrasher	Charles B. Spofford
225	7	HUGH DE PAYENS	Keene	Paul F. Babbidge	Frank H. Whitcomb
199	8	SAINT GEORGE	Nashua	William H. Greenleaf	Ralph A. Arnold
160	9	SAINT GERARD	Littleton	Wilbur F. Robins	Chauncey H. Greene
154	10	PILGRIM	Laconia	Benjamin F. St. Clair	Charles K. Sanborn
83	11	PALESTINE	Rochester	Robert V. Sweet	Frank E. Whitney
2282					



RT. EM. SIR JOSIAH H. DAVIDSON.
Grand Commander 1901-02; Commander DeMolay Commandery No. 6.
1892-93—Washington.

NEW JERSEY--GRAND COMMANDER KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in New Jersey.

By
David D. Lukens,
Recorder and
Past Commander
Palestine Comman-
dery No. 4,
Trenton, N. J.

THE Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of New Jersey was organized at Burlington, N. J., February 14, A. D., 1860, A. O. 742, as the following extract from the records will show: "A convention of Knights Templar was held at the Asylum of Helena Commandery, in the city of Burlington, N. J., on Tuesday, the 14th day of February, A. D., 1860, A. O., 742, for the purpose of forming a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of the State of New Jersey.

"Sir Jeremiah L. Hutchinson as proxy for the Most Eminent Grand Master took the chair and opened the convention.

"A Commandery of Knights Templar was then opened in due form with the following officers in their respective stations: Sir J. L. Hutchinson, Eminent Commander; Sir M. J. Drummond, Generalissimo; Sir Theophilus Fiske, Captain General; Sir E. C. Taylor, Prelate; Sir C. G. Milnor, Senior Warden; Sir Wm. W. Goodwin, Junior Warden; Sir Thomas J. Corson, Recorder; Sir Isaac S. Buckalew, Standard Bearer; Sir G. T. J. Lewis, Sword Bearer; Sir George B. Edwards, Warder; Sir Lewis Golta, Guard.

"The Recorder read the following warrant:

"Office of the Grand Master of Knights Tem-
plar of the United States of America.

"To All True and Courteous Knights of Our Order:

"Know ye, That, whereas, there are now established and existing, three chartered Commanderies in the State of New Jersey, holding their authority from the Grand Encamp-

ment of the United States, and working under its jurisdiction, to-wit: Hugh de Payens Commandery No. 1, St. Bernard Commandery No. 2, and Helena Commandery No. 3.

"And, whereas, On behalf of those several Commanderies, it has been duly certified unto our Grand Encampment at its last Triennial Session, that they are desirous to form, hold, and maintain a Grand Commandery in and for the said State of New Jersey, subordinate to the Grand Encampment of the United States of America;

"Therefore, I, Benjamin Brown French, Grand Master, as aforesaid, in order to carry out the order of our Grand Encampment, aforesaid, and by virtue of the high powers in me vested, and in accordance with the constitution and rules of our Order, do hereby authorize and empower the aforesaid Commanderies Nos. 1, 2, and 3, in due order, to meet at such time and place as they may agree upon, and form a State Grand Commandery, in and for the said State of New Jersey, subordinate to our Grand Encampment. Such State Grand Commandery, when so formed, making due return and report to me of all their official doings and proceedings in the premises, and making a like return to our Very Eminent Grand Recorder; and for all their doings in accordance with the rules and usages of our Order in forming and holding such State Grand Commandery; this shall be their warrant.

Given under my hand and private seal, at the city of Washington, this 26th day of December, A. D., 1859; A. O., 741.

[Seal.]

"B. B. FRENCH,
Grand Master of Knights Templar."

"A committee of one from each of the three Commanderies was appointed to report the names and credentials of representatives with the following result:



EM. SIR ALTON S. FELL.
Commander 1901.



EM. SIR THOMAS S. HATTERSLEY.
Captain General; Past Commander.



SIR KT. ADAM EXTON.
Treasurer.



EM. SIR DAVID H. LUKENS.
Recorder; Past Commander.



SIR KT. LAURENCE J. AYRES.
Standard Bearer.



SIR KT. HENRY B. BAYLES.
Princeton.



SIR KT. EDWIN F. REPPART.
Past Commander.



EMBLEM OF COMMANDERY.

NEW JERSEY-PALESTINE COMMANDERY NO. 4, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, TRENTON.

"Hugh de Payens No. 1.—Sirs M. J. Drummond, Wm. H. Doggett, John Hilton, A. G. Gilkyson and George B. Edwards.

"St. Bernard No. 2.—Sirs E. C. Taylor and Isaac S. Buckalew.

"Helena No. 3.—Sirs Theophilus Fiske, Chas. G. Milnor, Wm. W. Goodwin, Franklin Gaunt and Thomas J. Corson.

"The report was accepted and a resolution adopted that it is expedient and proper both for the advantage and convenience of the Commanderies of Knights Templar therein, and for the interests of Masonic Knighthood, that a Grand Commandery be now formed for the State of New Jersey."

In accordance with the above, a Grand Commandery was formed and the following officers elected:

Right Eminent Sir Wm. H. Doggett, Grand Commander; Very Eminent Sir E. C. Taylor, Deputy Grand Commander; Eminent Sir Theophilus Fiske, Grand Generalissimo; Eminent Sir John Hilton, Grand Captain General; Eminent Sir Wm. W. Goodwin, Grand Senior Warden; Eminent Sir E. T. R. Applegate, Grand Junior Warden; Eminent Sir George B. Edwards, Grand Treasurer; Eminent Sir C. G. Milnor, Grand Recorder; Eminent Sir Thomas J. Corson, Grand Standard Bearer; Eminent Sir A. G. Gilkyson, Grand Sword Bearer; Eminent Sir Franklin Garnett, Grand Warder.

At 7 o'clock p. m., the officers of the Grand Commandery were publicly installed in the presence of a large and brilliant audience of ladies and gentlemen by Sir J. L. Hutchinson, as proxy for the Most Eminent Grand Master, assisted by Rev. Sir R. G. Chase as Grand Prelate, and Sir J. E. Marshall as Grand Marshal. And the Grand Commandery was constituted and consecrated with solemn and impressive ceremonies.

After the installation of the Grand Officers and the consecration of the Grand Commandery, the Sir Knights of Helena Commandery invited the audience to participate in some refreshments, which were provided with such taste and in such

abundance as to reflect much credit upon the chivalric courtesy and knightly hospitality of the Burlington Sir Knights.

A resolution was adopted to meet in Trenton, N. J., on the first Tuesday in June at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Accordingly on Tuesday, June 5, A. D., 1860, the First Annual Conclave was held in the city of Trenton, N. J., in the lodge room of Trenton Lodge No. 5, F. and A. M., where the following officers were elected:

Right Eminent Sir Theophilus Fiske, Grand Commander; Very Eminent Sir John Hilton, Deputy Grand Commander; Eminent Sir Wm. W. Goodwin, Grand Generalissimo; Eminent Sir George B. Edwards, Grand Captain General; Eminent Sir George Waters, Grand Prelate; Eminent Sir E. T. R. Applegate, Grand Senior Warden; Eminent Sir Thomas J. Corson, Grand Junior Warden; Eminent Sir A. G. Gilkyson, Grand Treasurer; Eminent Sir Chas. G. Milnor, Grand Recorder; Eminent Sir Samuel Fort, Grand Standard Bearer; Eminent Sir Theodore J. Pullen, Grand Sword Bearer; Eminent Sir Charles W. Keeler, Grand Warder.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Josiah Davidson, Washington, Grand Commander.
V. E. Sir Knight Daniel Demarest, Newark, Deputy Grand Commander.
E. Sir Knight Daniel C. Adams, Plainfield, Grand Generalissimo.
E. Sir Knight John J. Henry, Newark, Grand Captain General.
Sir Knight Jacob Kirkner, Plainfield, Grand Senior Warden.
Sir Knight William Carman, Metuchen, Grand Junior Warden.
Sir Knight George C. Maddock, Trenton, Grand Prelate.
Sir Knight Frederick G. Wiese, Bordentown, Grand Treasurer.
Sir Knight Charles Bechtel, Trenton, Grand Recorder.
Sir Knight Herman H. Mithoefer, Camden, Grand Standard Bearer.
Sir Knight John R. Bertholf, Jersey City, Grand Sword Bearer.
Sir Knight Charles A. Mohn, Hoboken, Grand Warder.
Sir Knight Alfred T. Osmond, Trenton, Grand Captain of Guards.

FAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*W. H. Doggett.	*Isaac A. Nichols.	A. B. Frazee.	Joseph E. Fulper.
*Theophilus Fiske.	*J. V. Mattison.	J. W. Congdon.	Wm. F. Muchmore.
*John Hilton.	W. W. Goodwin.	George G. Felton.	Warren Dobbs.
*T. J. Corson.	*J. B. Borden.	Edward Clift.	James McCain.
G. B. Edwards.	†W. H. McIlhanney.	Thomas W. Tilden.	Edward Mills.
C. G. Milnor.	*David S. Battey.	John H. Ackerman.	*Robert Dingwell.
*Samuel Stevens.	W. L. Newell.	Isaac S. Roberts.	John E. Rowe.
Charles Bechtel.	F. G. Wiese.	Edward W. Price.	Wm. H. Sebring.
W. W. Snow.	*J. E. Forrester.	Isaac C. Githens.	Peter McGill.
*G. H. Woolman.	*M. M. Drohan.	*Albert D. Winfield.	Wm. B. Pugh.
*J. Woolverton.	I. L. Register.	Leonard L. Grear.	Josiah S. Davidson.

*Deceased. †Suspended.

New Jersey Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
190	1	HUGH DE PAYENS	Jersey City	A. J. Chapman	Warren Dobbs
80	3	HELENA	Burlington	Joseph J. Sleeper	J. A. Armstrong
124	4	PALESTINE	Trenton	Alton S. Fell	David H. Lukens
210	5	DAMASCUS	Newark	H. H. Hoffman	Jas. Phillips
121	6	DEMOLAY	Washington	Willard Allegor	N. O. Kingman
252	7	CYRENE	Camden	Herbert G. Chase	Edward Mills
90	9	ST. JOHN'S	Elizabeth	Theo. B. Townley	Wm. H. Meeker
118	10	OLIVET	Millville	John J. Dunham	J. S. Simmerman
46	11	IVANHOE	Bordentown	George E. Titus	F. G. Wiese
96	12	ODO DE ST. AMAND	Morristown	W. E. Becker	C. G. Van Gilder
119	13	MELITA	Paterson	Wm. J. Tunison	Jos. Mason
51	14	ST. ELMO	Lambertville	Harry E. VanHorn	Wm. H. Willmot
100	15	CORSON	Asbury Park	John H. Hagerman	Samuel A. Cliver
130	16	PILGRIM	Hoboken	Frank Fleutje	Charles H. Walrath
90	17	TRINITY	Plainfield	Harry W. Marshall	F. K. Van Auken
65	18	TEMPLE	New Brunswick	Ellis N. Bedford	Wm. Carman
61	19	JERSEY	East Orange	Alonzo Durkee	Leonard H. Conant
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The Order of the Temple in New Mexico.

By
Max Frost,
Past Commander
Santa Fe Comman-
dery No. 1,
Santa Fe, New Mex-
ico.

THE representatives of the several Commanderies of Knights Templar were called together Wednesday afternoon, August 21, 1901, at the Asylum of Santa Fe Commandery No. 1, for the purpose of organizing the Grand Commandery of the Territory of New Mexico under authority of a warrant issued by Grand Master Reuben T. Lloyd of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, in accordance with their petition to be allowed to form such Grand Commandery. Eminent Sir Edward L. Bartlett, the Eminent Commander of Santa Fe Commandery, as the proxy of the Grand Master presided at the Conclave. The Commanderies represented are as follows:

Santa Fe Commandery No. 1.—Edward L. Bartlett, Eminent Commander; Addison Walker, Generalissimo; George W. Knaebel, Captain General; Past Eminent Commanders, W. S. Harroun, Charles F. Easley, S. G. Cartwright and Frederick Muller. Colonel Max Frost, the oldest Past Eminent Commander, was unable to attend on account of physical infirmities.

Las Vegas Commandery No. 2.—J. A. Murray, Eminent Commander; T. J. Raywood, Generalissimo.

Pilgrim Commandery No. 3 at Albuquerque, Eminent Commander Arthur Everitt, holding the proxies of the Generalissimo and the Captain General; Past Eminent Commanders James H. Wroth and Alexander Stevens.

McGrorty Commandery No. 4, at Deming. Past Eminent Commander J. P. McGrorty, holding the proxies of the Eminent Commander, Generalissimo and Captain General.

Aztec Commandery No. 5, at Raton, C. N. Blackwell, Past Commander, holding the proxies of the Eminent Commander, Generalissimo, and Captain General of the Commandery.

Rio Hondo Commandery No. 6, Jason W. James, Past Eminent Commander, holding the proxies of the Eminent Commander, Generalissimo, and Captain General of the Commandery.

Malta Commandery No. 7, at Silver City, under dispensation, Carl Hagen, Eminent Commander.

Upon being called to order the warrant for the organization of the Grand Commandery and the authority of Eminent Commander Edward L. Bartlett were read in full.

After due consideration the Grand Commandery adopted a constitution and by-laws which were declared the templar law of this jurisdiction in connection with the constitution, laws, edicts and decrees of the Grand Encampment of the United States. The officers of the Grand Commandery provided by the new constitution were then elected, appointed and installed, into their respective offices by the proxy of the Grand Master, E. L. Bartlett, as follows:

Grand Commander Edward L. Bartlett of Santa Fe; Deputy Grand Commander, J. P. McGrorty of Deming; Grand Generalissimo, C. N. Blackwell of Raton; Grand Captain General, John A. Murray, of East Las Vegas; Grand Prelate, W. S. Harroun of Santa Fe; Grand Senior Warden, Jason W. James of Roswell; Grand Junior Warden, Alexander Stevens, of Albuquerque; Grand Treasurer, E. A. Cahoon, of Roswell; Grand Recorder, Lewis H. Chamberlin of Albuquerque; Grand Standard Bearer, Thomas J. Raywood of Las Vegas; Grand Sword Bearer, Fred Muller of Santa Fe; Grand Warden, Addison Walker of Santa Fe; Grand Guard, A. M. Whitcomb of Albuquerque.



EM. SIR JOHN A. MURRAY.
Past Grand Captain General; Past Commander
Las Vegas Commandery No. 2—East
Las Vegas.



EM. SIR LEWIS H. CHAMBERLIN.
Grand Recorder; Recorder Pilgrim Commandery
No. 3—Albuquerque.



EM. SIR THOMAS J. RAYWOOD.
Past Grand Standard Bearer; Commander Las
Vegas Commandery No. 2—Las Vegas.



EM. SIR B. F. FORSYTHE.
Past Commander Las Vegas Commandery No. 2
—Albuquerque.

NEW MEXICO—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.
COMMANDERIES: LAS VEGAS NO. 2, LAS VEGAS; PILGRIM
NO. 3, ALBUQUERQUE.

The following is a list of the subordinate Commanders and their officers under the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of New Mexico:

Santa Fe Commandery No. 1 at Santa Fe, was granted a dispensation on the 19th day of May, 1869, and was granted a charter on September 11, 1869. It was instituted by the late Deputy Grand Master W. W. Griffin. Its present membership is thirty-six, scattered from the Philippines to Cuba. Its present officers are: E. L. Bartlett, Eminent Commander; Addison Walker, Generalissimo; G. W. Knaebel, Captain General; W. S. Harroun, Prelate; S. G. Cartwright, Senior Warden; Charles F. Easley, Junior Warden; H. B. Cartwright, Treasurer; F. S. Davis, Recorder; O. L. Merrill, Standard Bearer; Fred Muller, Sword Bearer; John Walker, Warder; W. E. Griffin, Sentinel.

Las Vegas Commandery No. 2, at Las Vegas, San Miguel county, was granted a dispensation on April 10, 1882, and a charter on September 18, 1883. It has a membership at this time of forty-one knights; the following are its present officers:

John A. Murray, Eminent Commander; Thomas J. Raywood, Generalissimo; H. M. Smith, Captain-General; C. D. Boucher, Prelate; Charles Tamme, Senior Warden; John Hill, Junior Warden; B. F. Forsythe, Treasurer; G. A. Rothgeb, Recorder; T. B. Mills, Standard Bearer; O. L. Gregory, Sword Bearer; L. D. Webb, Warder; J. A. Jameson, Guard.

Pilgrim Commandery No. 3, at Albuquerque, Bernalillo county, was granted a dispensation April 30, 1883, and was chartered on August 23, 1883. Its present membership is 104 knights. The present officers are: Arthur Everitt, Eminent Commander; Charles F. Meyers, Generalissimo; Charles K. Newhall, Captain General; H. R. Yewell, Senior Warden; Edward L. Medler, Junior Warden; Arthur J. Maloy, Treasurer; Lewis H. Chamberlin, Recorder.

McGrorty Commandery No. 4 at Deming, Luna county, was granted a dispensation on July 31, 1886, and was granted a charter on October 10, 1889. Its present membership is forty-

seven knights. The Commandery officers at present are Seamon Field, Eminent Commander; W. W. Robinson, Generalissimo; Richard Hudson, Captain General; U. Francis Duff, Prelate; John Corbett, Treasurer; Edward Pennington, Recorder; James H. Tracy, Standard Bearer; George W. Hanner, Sword Bearer; George A. Shepard, Warden; Thomas Hudson, Guard.

Aztec Commandery No. 5 at Raton, Colfax county, was instituted under dispensation on November 16, 1892. On December 20, 1895, it was constituted by Past Eminent Commander Max Frost, as deputy of the Grand Master. The charter was granted by the Grand Encampment in 1895. The following are its present officers: P. P. Fanning, Eminent Commander; James W. Donovan, Generalissimo; Frank Henning, Captain General; James R. Givens, Prelate; C. D. Stevens, Senior Warden; Wm. J. Lemwood, Junior Warden; G. E. Lyon, Treasurer; C. D. Stevens, Acting Recorder; E. R. Manning, Standard Bearer; J. J. Shuler, Sword Bearer; J. S. Morrison, Warder; R. W. Sizar, Guard.

Rio Hondo Commandery No. 6 at Roswell, Chaves county, was granted a dispensation on June 17, 1895, and a charter on August 29, 1895. It was constituted by Past Eminent Commander Max Frost. It has a membership at this time of thirty-five knights. The following are its present officers:

E. A. Cahoon, Eminent Commander; W. M. Atkinson, Generalissimo; J. B. Mathews, Captain General; W. S. Pragor, Prelate; J. W. Poe, Senior Warden; J. S. Lea, Junior Warden; John Shaw, Treasurer; W. H. Cosgrove, Recorder; W. J. Wilkinson, Standard Bearer; J. W. James, Sword Bearer; C. W. Walker, Warden, C. T. Davis, Guard.

Malta Commandery No. 7, at Silver City, Grant county. A dispensation was granted this Commandery on February 18, 1900. The present membership is thirty-six knights. The following are its present officers:

Dr. Carl Hagen, Eminent Commander; Cornelius S. Bennett, Generalissimo; A. H. Harllee, Captain General; W. C. Porterfield, Prelate; J. W. Carter, Treasurer; William F. Lorenz, Recorder.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Edward L. Bartlett, Santa Fe, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight J. P. McGrorty, Deming, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight C. N. Blackwell, Raton, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight John A. Murray, East Las Vegas, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight W. S. Harroun, Santa Fe, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight Jason W. James, Roswell, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Alexander Stevens, Albuquerque, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight E. A. Cahoon, Roswell, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Lewis H. Chamberlin, Albuquerque, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Thomas J. Raywood, Las Vegas, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Fred Muller, Santa Fe, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Addison Walker, Santa Fe, Grand Warden.
 E. Sir Knight A. M. Whitcomb, Albuquerque, Grand Guard.

New Mexico Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
36	1	SANTA FE	Santa Fe	E. L. Bartlett	F. S. Davis
41	2	LAS VEGAS	Las Vegas	John A. Murray	G. A. Rothgeb
104	3	PILGRIM	Albuquerque	Arthur Everitt	Lewis H. Chamberlin
47	4	MCGRORTY	Deming	Seamon Field	Edward Pennington
	5	AZTEC	Raton	P. P. Fanning	C. D. Stevens
35	6	RIO HONDO	Rio Hondo	E. A. Cahoon	W. H. Cosgrove
36	7	MALTA	Silver City	Dr. Carl Hagen	William F. Lorenz
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The Order of the Temple in New York.

By
**Arthur
Mac Arthur,**
Grand Recorder and
Past Grand
Commander of the
Grand Commandery
of New York.

IN the early days of the Masonic fraternity in America, the affairs of the craft were so carefully guarded that much which would now prove of inestimable historical value, was never recorded. When the Order of Knights Templar was introduced into this State, no publicity could have been given to the fact, as there is no existing record which gives any clue whatever to the exact date. Sir Robert Macoy, who was Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery, or Encampment, of New York from 1851 to 1894, bestowed much time and labor upon an effort to rescue from oblivion the early history of the Order of the Temple and succeeded in establishing the fact that the Order of Knights Templar existed previous to 1785, by a reference to the Order in the Independent Journal of New York City, Wednesday, December 28, 1785, which follows:

"The anniversary of St. John, the Evangelist, was yesterday celebrated with the most respectful deference and splendor, by the brethren of every lodge of the ancient and truly honorable society of Free and Accepted Masons in this city and by great numbers of very respectful gentlemen from several European nations. A numerous and well conducted procession moved about 12 o'clock through the principal streets with the insignia of their several ranks to St. George's Chapel (Beekman and Cliff streets), in the following order:

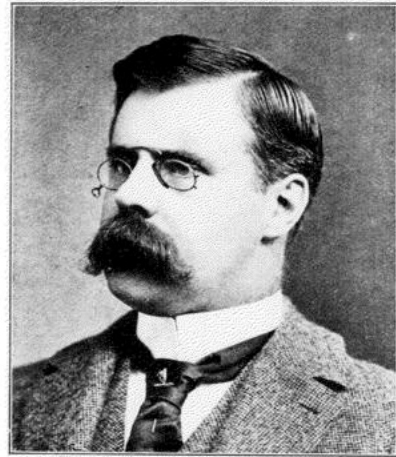
TYLER, TYLER,
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR,
LODGES,
GRAND LODGE,
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR."

From the reference to the insignia of their rank, and from their position in the line, it is fair to presume that the Knights Templar were uniformed and that they were acting in the capacity of escorts to the lodges.

The question as to when and by whom these earlier encampments were organized will probably never be solved. It is possible that there were no organized encampments and that the Sir Knights met and increased their numbers by the authority of inherent rights or that the Sir Knights were made in lodges or chapters working under lodge warrants, except possibly in a few instances where the degree of Knight Templar was conferred by the officers of some of the bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite. Something of the character and purposes of the Order in those days is shown by an editorial notice which appeared in the New York Daily Gazette, which, after describing a procession on the anniversary of St. John, the Baptist, which was participated in by the Knights Templar, says: "This Order, consecrated to benevolence, has on its roll the most distinguished characters of society and on this occasion, many members of Congress and others of the highest distinction were seen in this philanthropic band." The general belief is that the body of Knights Templar which took part in these processions from 1785 to 1795 was what was known as the Old Encampment, or Morton's Encampment of which Gen. Jacob Morton was for many years Grand Master. The first published list of this Commandery with Gen. Jacob Morton as Grand Master appeared in 1796. It continued to hold stated meetings until 1810, when all trace of its proceedings were lost. Gen. Morton was, however, admitted an honorary member of the Grand Commandery in 1815. Several other Commanderies and Encampments are known to have come into existence in the earlier years of the nineteenth century. The names of St



R. EM. SIR ERASTUS C. DELAVAN.
Grand Commander 1901-02; Past Commander Malta Commandery No. 21
—Binghampton.



R. EM. SIR ARTHUR MacARTHUR.
Grand Recorder; Grand Commander 1897-98; Past Commander Apollo
Commandery No. 15—Troy.

**NEW YORK—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: APOLLO NO. 15, TROY;
MALTA NO. 21, BINGHAMPTON.**

Peter's Encampment, Jerusalem Encampment and Rising Sun Encampment appear in the directories of New York City, while Temple Commandery No. 2 at Albany is known to have existed as early as 1796. Columbian Commandery No. 1, New York, lost its early records by fire, but from its old seal, it is known to have been in existence in 1810. It received a warrant from the Grand Commandery, February 4, 1816, and in 1824, it united with Morton Commandery No. 4, and created the Marquis de Lafayette, who was the nation's guest, a Knight Templar in full form.

These Commanderies were, beyond a doubt, self constituted bodies. As they recognized no superior authority and were governed by their own individual laws, it soon became manifest that a continuance of this incoherent condition would produce consequences which would operate to the detriment of the Order. In order to establish a State body, it was necessary that some recognized authority should take the initiative. A sovereign grand body of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite was in existence, having been established in 1807, and it is probable that all the leading Knights Templar were affiliated with this body which was then known as the Sovereign Grand Consistory of the Chiefs of Exalted Masonry. This body met on January 22, 1814, and assuming jurisdiction solely for the purpose of establishing a grand body for the Order of Knights Templar, unanimously decreed that a Grand Encampment of Sir Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders for the State of New York be established, and they then proceeded to its formation by choosing the Grand Officers thereof taken (for this time only) from among the members of the Consistory. This action seems to have met with the approval of some of the existing Commanderies or encampments, for on June 18, 1814, a competent number of Sir Knights assembled and the Grand Encampment of the State of New York was opened with all due form to hear the report of the committee appointed for the purpose of drafting constitutional laws.

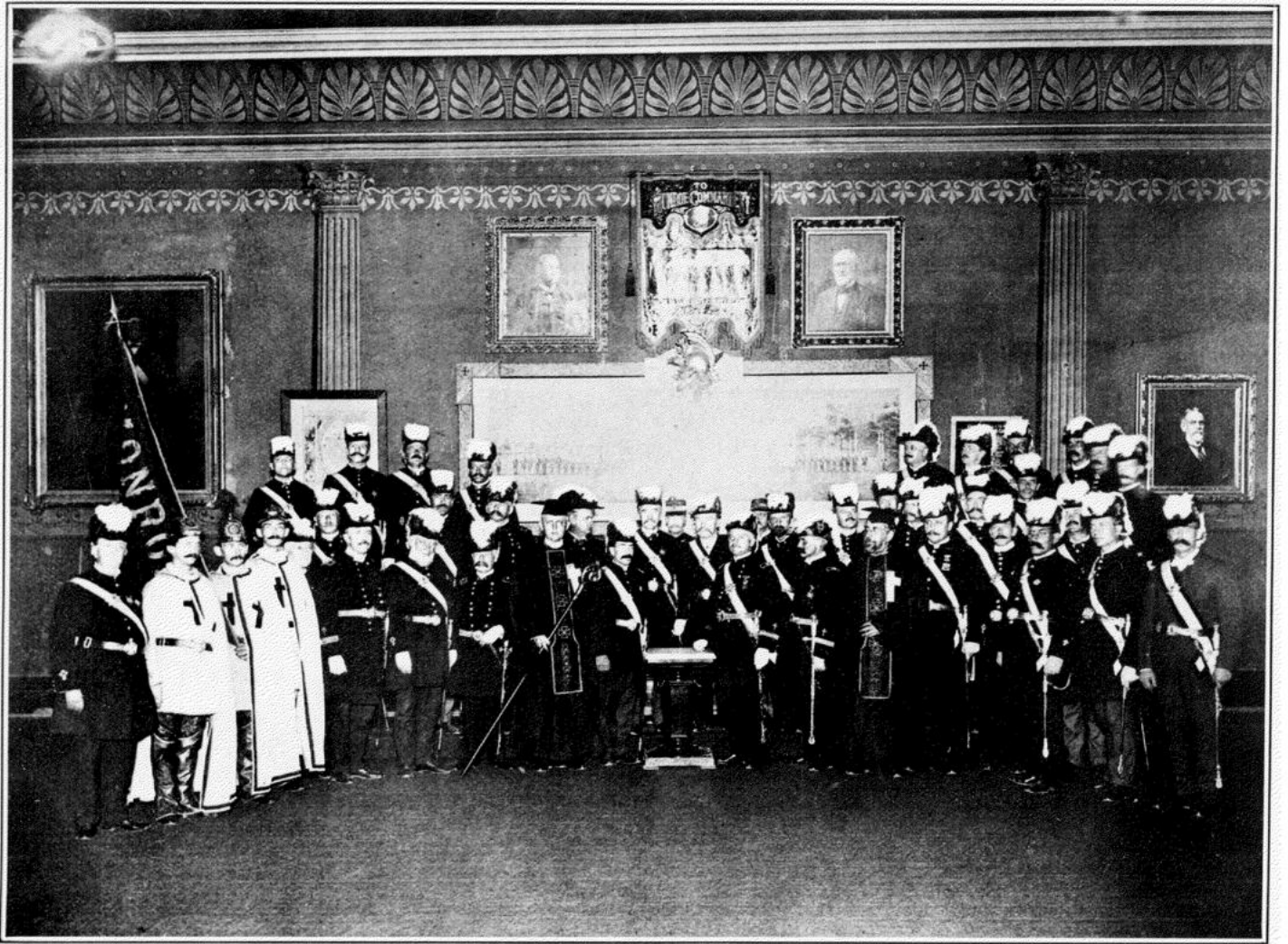
All the existing encampments did not immediately ac-

knowledge allegiance to this Grand Encampment. It would appear that there were at least four such encampments, or at least four which might reasonably be expected to apply for membership in the Grand Encampment as the numbers from one to four were left unemployed and specifically "held in reserve for certain connections held under the old system provided they cause petitions to be duly presented therefor."

Temple Commandery at Albany was the only one which so applied, although there is a record in the early minutes of a committee's having been appointed which wrote to an encampment at Stillwater, N. Y., asking them to recognize the sovereignty of the Grand Encampment to which they received no reply. Temple Encampment was admitted as No. 2 in 1823, at which time the reservation of the numbers was abolished and Columbian Encampment of New York, which had been chartered in 1816 as No. 5, was renumbered No. 1. Utica Encampment No. 3, received a charter in 1823, as did Morton No. 4, of New York. A charter was granted in 1816 to Indivisible Friends Encampment, No. 6, at New Orleans. This continued as a constituent encampment of the Grand Encampment of New York until 1838, when it was formally transferred to the Grand Encampment of the United States.

June 21, 1816, the General Grand Encampment of the United States was organized in New York and the Grand Encampment of New York changed its constitution to conform with the constitution of that body, which was perfected and adopted December 11, 1820.

Lafayette No. 7, Hudson, was chartered in 1824; Plattsburgh No. 8 and Cherry Valley No. 9, in 1825. The two latter are not now in existence. Genesee No. 10, Lockport, received its charter in 1825; Watertown No. 11 and Monroe No. 12, Rochester in 1826; New Jerusalem No. 13, Ithaca, has ceased to exist. Clinton No. 14, Brooklyn, received its charter in 1828. The minutes of the Conclaves of the Grand Encampment from its organization to 1828 make occasional reference to encampments which were conferring the Orders of Knighthood without warrant from the Grand Encampment, espe-



NEW YORK—MEMBERS OF MONROE COMMANDERY NO. 12, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, STATIONED AT ROCHESTER.

cially naming those at Salem, N. Y., and Granville, N. Y. This would indicate that the sovereignty of this body was not as yet firmly established.

The Grand Encampment suffered in common with the other Masonic bodies of the State during the anti-Masonic excitement. The annual Conclaves were held, but they were poorly attended and no attention was paid by the constituent encampments to requests for the payment of dues. But when the revival came, the Grand Encampment was placed on a more permanent and sure footing than before because its authority was then and has since been recognized by all the regular encampments of Knights Templar in the State.

The radical revision of the constitution of the General Grand Encampment, which was made in 1856, by which the names of the State Grand Encampments were changed to Grand Commanderies was adopted in 1857, and the Grand Encampment of New York became the Grand Commandery of New York. To recapitulate the names of the illustrious men who have been connected with the Order of Knights Templar from Governor DeWitt Clinton to Governor B. B. Odell would be to mention the most famous men of all stations of life. From the small beginnings related above the Grand Commandery of New York has become a most powerful and influential body, the third largest of its kind in the United States, composed of constituent Commanderies with a total membership of 12,749 Sir Knights of which the five largest Commanderies are Monroe Commandery No. 12 of Rochester; Malta Commandery No. 21 of Binghamton; Apollo Commandery No. 15 of Troy; Washington Commandery No. 33 of Saratoga Springs, and Central City Commandery No. 25 of Syracuse.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Erastus C. Delavan, Binghamton, Grand Commander.

V. E. Sir Knight Wm. J. Maxwell, Brooklyn, Deputy Grand Commander.

E. Sir Knight Charles D. Bingham, Watertown, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight John Little, New York, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight Erastus C. Knight, Albany, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Adelbert P. Knapp, Saratoga Springs, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight and Rev. Cornelius Twing, Brooklyn, Grand Prelate
 E. Sir Knight George A. Newell, Medina, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Arthur MacArthur, Troy, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Herman R. Kretschmar, New York, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Edwin B. Anderson, Palmyra, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Edwin C. Hall, Syracuse, Grand Warden.
 E. Sir Knight James U. Scaggs, Saratoga Springs, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*DeWitt Clinton.	*Robert Black.
*William F. Platt.	*Townsend Fondey.
*Ezra S. Cizier.	Charles H. Holden.
*Jems Herring.	*Thos. C. Chittenden.
*Ezra S. Barnum.	*George W. Walgrove.
*Richard Ellis.	Simon V. McDowell.
*Archibald Bull.	John S. Bartlett.
*Robert R. Boyd.	*Charles Aikman.
*James Hegeman.	Abel A. Crosby.
*William E. Lathrop.	Peter Forrester.
*John W. Simons.	*Joseph A. Johnson.
LeRoy Farnham.	*Theo. E. Hazlehurst.
*Charles G. Judd.	Austin C. Wood.
Frank Chamberlain.	Foster N. Mabee.
*Zenas C. Priest.	George McGown.
*Orrin Welch.	George F. Loder.
*Pearson Mundy.	*Edward L. Gaul.
*John A. Lefferts.	John H. Bonnington.
*Henry C. Preston.	James W. Bowden.
*George Babcock.	Horace A. Noble.
*Robert N. Brown.	John A. Mapes.
*Frank L. Stowell.	Arthur MacArthur.
*Mead Belden.	George Nicholson.
A. Eugene Lytle.	Chas. E. Ide.
*Charles Roome.	Chas. H. Armatage.

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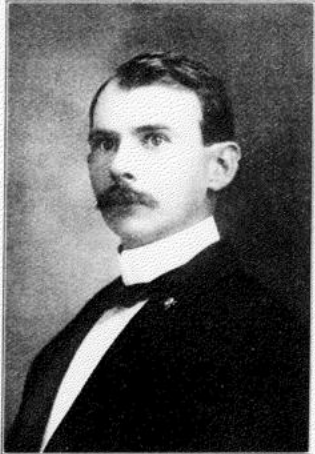
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New York Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.	Charter Granted.
411	1	COLUMBIAN	New York	Stephen C. Bedell	James E. Gritman	Feb. 14, 1816
447	2	TEMPLE	Albany	George R. Hodgkins	Julius D. Ireland	Feb. 18, 1823
288	3	UTICA	Utica	Gustus C. Kiehn	E. A. Hammond	Feb. 8, 1823
224	4	MORTON	New York	Edward Sanders	Charles Miller, Jr.	Aug. 16, 1823
96	7	LAFAYETTE	Hudson	Cornelius H. Evans, Jr.	Edmond C. Getty	Sept. 6, 1824
145	10	GENESEE	Lockport	Harrison S. Chapman	Henry C. Hulshoff	Dec. 16, 1825
317	11	WATERTOWN	Watertown	Joseph Nellis	John S. Coon	June 9, 1826
593	12	MONROE	Rochester	Edward A. Stahlbrodt	W. J. McKelvey	June 8, 1827
495	14	CLINTON	Brooklyn	William Bamber	Charles F. Lamy	June 6, 1828
555	15	APOLLO	Troy	Eugene S. Osborne	John F. Smith	June 4, 1841
145	16	SALEM TOWN	Auburn	Albert W. Crocker	J. N. Starner	June 8, 1849
57	17	JERUSALEM	Penn Yan	George S. Sheppard	Milton M. Rose	June 9, 1850.
469	18	PALESTINE	New York	James T. Clyde	Charles C. Champlin	June 6, 1851
296	19	ST. OMER'S	Elmira	Guy W. Shoemaker	James C. Rutledge	June 4, 1852
302	20	LAKE ERIE	Buffalo	George W. Voss	Albert H. Adams	Feb. 4, 1853
562	21	MALTA	Binghamton	Harry L. Bartlett	Emera A. Cobb	Feb. 4, 1853
179	22	DEMOLAY	Hornellsville	Orson W. Pratt	Wm. E. Waldorf	Feb. 4, 1853
189	23	COEUR DE LION	New York	Charles W. Stranahan	Samuel C. Wilson	Feb. 10, 1854
242	24	ST. JOHN'S	Olean	Charles P. Burley, Jr.	Edward M. Tothill	Feb. 8, 1856
509	25	CENTRAL CITY	Syracuse	George C. Hanford	Edwin C. Tallcott	Feb. 6, 1857
246	26	LITTLE FALLS	Little Falls	Charles D. Fenton	George D. Ferguson	Feb. 6, 1857
291	27	DE WITT CLINTON	Brooklyn	Alexander S. Bacon	Thomas C. Adams	Feb. 6, 1857
142	28	ST. LAWRENCE	Canton	John B. Dutton	Herbert M. Barber	Sept. 27, 1859
141	29	GENEVA	Geneva	Charles W. Fairfax	Charles A. Dewey	Sept. 11, 1860
250	30	HUGH DE PAYENS	Buffalo	William F. Elmendorf	Frank B. Hannis	Sept. 11, 1860
82	31	MANHATTAN	New York	Albert V. King	John H. Russell	Sept. 10, 1861
213	32	LAKE ONTARIO	Oswego	Thomas H. Bennett	S. B. Wilcox	Sept. 16, 1862
529	33	WASHINGTON	Saratoga Springs	Frank A. Hall	Addison E. Curtis	Sept. 14, 1864
164	34	BATAVIA	Batavia	Harvey J. Burkhart	Charles W. Stickle	Sept. 26, 1865
194	35	HUDSON RIVER	Newburg	William D. Traphagen	S. W. Holdridge	Sept. 27, 1865
89	36	IVANHOE	New York	Eugene C. Akers	Henry W. Roe	Sept. 26, 1865
168	37	ST. GEORGE'S	Schenectady	Albert L. Rohrer	Henry J. Thon	Oct. 3, 1866
217	38	ST. AUGUSTINE	Ithaca	Francis H. Romer	Albert W. Force	Oct. 2, 1867
199	39	CYRENE	Rochester	William S. Bannard	T. A. Peshine	Oct. 2, 1867
163	40	DUNKIRK	Dunkirk	Henry F. Adams	Edward L. Clement	Oct. 2, 1867
192	41	ZENOBIA	Palmyra	Albert S. Rogers	Mark C. Finley	Oct. 2, 1867
89	42	WESTCHESTER	Ossining	Charles E. Gratton	Absalom N. Ingersoll	Oct. 2, 1867
134	43	POUGHKEEPSIE	Poughkeepsie	Derrick Brown	Frank J. Schwartz	Oct. 5, 1868

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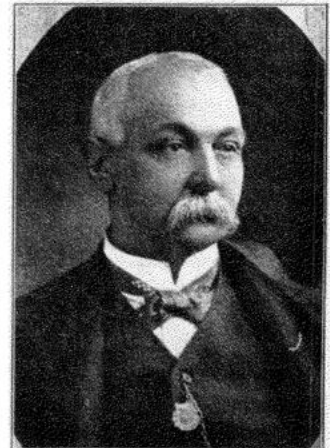
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74	44	DELAWARE	Port Jervis	John B. Carley	Charles Eichbaum	Oct. 6, 1869
112	45	ROME	Rome	Joseph Boyle	William H. Davies	Oct. 5, 1869
232	46	NORWICH	Norwich	Henry E. Randall	Christopher R. Frink	Oct. 6, 1869
74	47	YONKERS	Yonkers	Stephen T. Bell	Alfred M. Keene	Oct. 5, 1869
123	48	CONSTANTINE	Harlem	Albert Behning	Simon W. Sencerbox	Oct. 11, 1870
153	49	DE SOTO	Plattsburg	George Parsons	Orrin E. Robinson	Oct. 10, 1871
112	50	CORTLAND	Cortland	Merton E. Sarvay	George H. Kennedy	Oct. 11, 1871
150	51	HOLY CROSS	Gloversville	Daniel W. S. Kearney	James A. Robertson	Oct. 11, 1871
100	52	RONDOUT	Rondout	William F. Brodock	Grove Webster	Oct. 11, 1871
97	53	BETHLEHEM	Mount Vernon	Edson Lewis	Edgar T. Stewart	Oct. 11, 1871
120	54	OGDENSBURG	Ogdensburg	William E. Robinson	Charles W. Tuck	Oct. 15, 1873
328	55	YORK	New York	Edward A. Krausman	Frederick E. Davis	Oct. 15, 1873
40	56	CRUSADER	Brewster	Frank Wells	C. A. Rundall	Oct. 15, 1874
80	57	ST. ELMO	Brooklyn	James H. Rollins	John H. Bonnington	Oct. 13, 1874
119	58	DAMASCUS	Brooklyn	James F. Hughes	Fred D. Clapp	Oct. 10, 1877
107	60	FRANKLIN	Malone	Jay Olin Ballard	William H. Gray	Oct. 15, 1884
191	61	JAMESTOWN	Jamestown	David E. Merrill	William P. Osmer	Oct. 12, 1887
199	62	SALAMANCA	Salamanca	Orello S. Martin	Edward L. Fullam	Sept. 13, 1892
50	63	MARBLE CITY	Gouverneur	Edward H. Neary	Aaron B. Cuttings	Sept. 11, 1894.
107	64	NIAGARA	Niagara Falls	Walter Jones	Michael Toppings	Sept. 11, 1894.
50	65	PATCHOGUE	Patchogue	Frank Guttridge	L. B. Green	Sept. 5, 1900
47	66	EMPIRE	Port Richmond	J. Walter Wood	Walden M. Braman	Sept. 5, 1900
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EM. SIR EDWARD A. STAHLBRODT.
Commander.



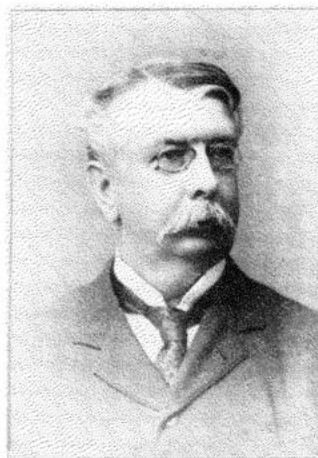
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Generalissimo.



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Captain General; Grand Commander 1891-92 and
Past Commander.



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Senior Warden.



SIR KT. FRED H. BEACH.
Junior Warden.



EM. SIR FREDERICK S. ROGERS.
Past Commander.

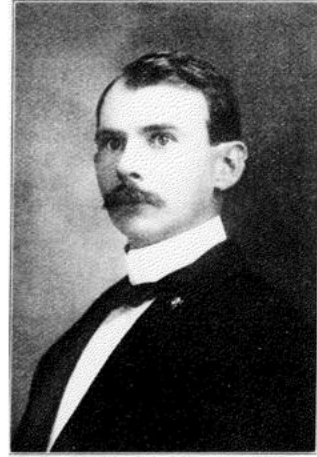
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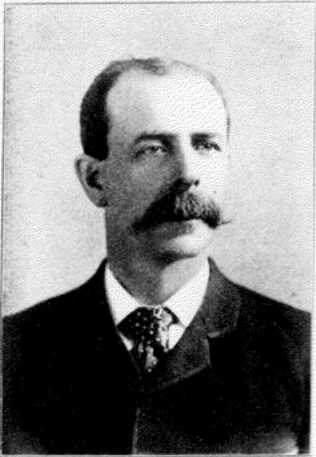
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Sword Bearer.



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SIR KT. WM. J. BAXENDALE.
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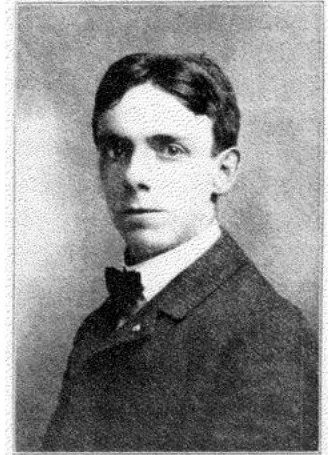
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Rochester.



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SIR KT. WILLIAM C. HART.
Rochester.



SIR KT. FRED A. ZEITLER.
Bandmaster 54th Regiment Band—Rochester.



H.M. SIR W. D. TRAPHAGEN.
Commander Hudson River Commandery No. 35
—Newburg.



R. E.M. SIR ERASTUS C. DELAVAN.
Past Commander Malta Commandery No. 21; Grand
Commander—Binghampton.

NEW YORK—COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR: MONROE NO. 12, ROCHESTER; MALTA NO. 21, BINGHAMPTON;
HUDSON RIVER NO. 25, NEWBURG. (288)

**Manhattan
Commandery,
No. 31,
Knights Templar,
New York City.**

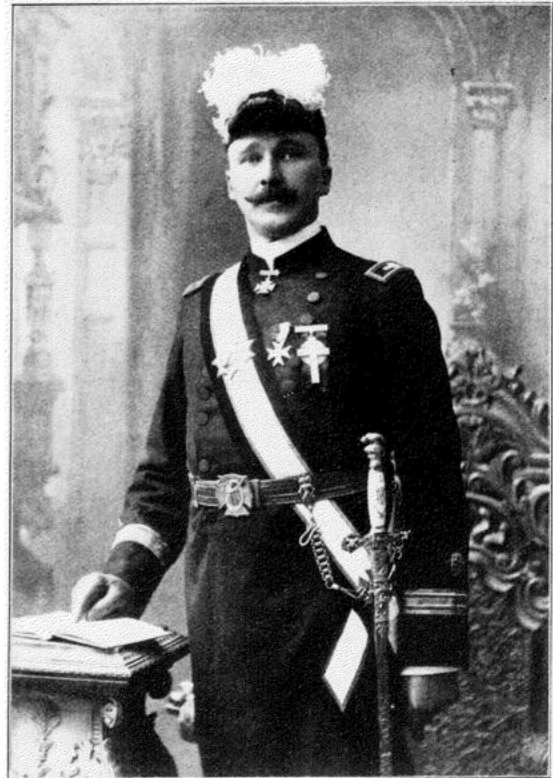
MANHATTAN COMMANDERY is forty-two years old. The first dispensation to form the Commandery was granted by Right Eminent Charles G. Judd, Grand Commander, April 18, 1860. There were at that time twenty-five Commanderies in the State and 1,373 Knight Templars. Manhattan Commandery organized

under the first dispensation and worked until the meeting of the Grand Commandery in the following September. The Committee on Warrants on September 13, 1860, report the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That in the belief that the number of Commanderies in the city of New York can not be increased with safety to the welfare of the Order, we are obliged to withhold our sanction to the warrant of Manhattan Commandery.

The fee paid by the Sir Knights for the charter was ordered returned to them. Nothing daunted by the refusal of the Grand Commandery to grant a charter, those interested in the formation of the Commandery sent to the Grand Commander Right Eminent Frank Chamberlain a second petition, and received in return a second dispensation, dated March 27, 1861. The Commandery was again organized, and again went to work. This time with better success than before, for on September 10, 1861, a charter was granted to Manhattan Commandery No. 31, naming Henry F. Phillips as Eminent Commander; J. S. Safford, Generalissimo; Samuel E. Hull, Captain General. The Commandery reported twenty-four members at the time the charter was granted, seven having been created Knights Templar while working under dispensation.

The first stated Conclave of Manhattan Commandery under the charter was held on September 16, 1861, and from that time to the present it has continued its regular Conclaves



EM. SIR ALBERT VICTOR KING.
Commander Manhattan Commandery No. 31—New York.

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NEW YORK CITY.**

uninterruptedly. The growth of the Commandery was steady, and in the year 1872, reached the membership of 292.

Manhattan Commandery has participated in many important events. In 1867 with other Commanderies it acted as escort to Sir Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, on the occasion of his visit to Boston. On June 24th of the same year it was present at the dedication of the Masonic Temple of Boston, and paraded under its own banner.

On June 14, 1869, Manhattan Commandery made a pilgrimage to Philadelphia to attend the semi-centennial of St. John's Commandery of that city. On September 19, 1871, the Commandery attended the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment at Baltimore in a body, and was entertained by Maryland Commandery No. 1. Many other notable and interesting events have been enjoyed.

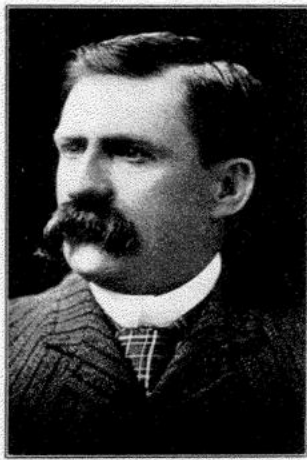
Manhattan Commandery has recommended and endorsed the petitions for the formation of three of the Commanderies in this city: On August 21, 1865, it endorsed the petition of Indivisible Friends (now Ivanhoe) Commandery for a dispensation; November 24, 1869, it recommended the petition for Constantine Commandery, and November 18, 1872, endorsed that of York Commandery, which took twenty-five Fraters from Manhattan Commandery, and also on January 30, 1900, endorsed the petition for the formation of Empire Command-

ery No. 66, stationed at Port Richmond, Richmond county, S. I.

Manhattan Commandery has enjoyed the distinction of at one time leading all other Templar bodies in the city, and it is again on the way to prosperity. Twenty-eight Eminent Commanders have directed the affairs of Manhattan Commandery. The present Eminent Commander Sir Knight Albert Victor King was initiated and entered apprentice November 7, 1892. Passed the degree of fellow craft November 21, 1892; raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason December 5, 1892 in Richmond Lodge No. 66, F. and A. M., Port Richmond, S. I., and affiliated with Silentia Lodge No. 198, F. and A. M. in February, 1893, and was elected Master of Silentia Lodge, December 26, 1900, and was advanced to the degree of Mark Mason, January 12, 1899, and advanced to the degree of Past Master and Most Excellent Master February 9, 1899, and exalted to the most sublime degree of Royal Arch Mason February 23, 1899. In Tyrian Chapter No. 219, R. A. M. Borough of Richmond, New York City, and receiving the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross February 29, 1899; created a Knight Templar and made a Knight of Malta March 29, 1899, in Manhattan Commandery No. 31, Knights Templar, New York City, and was elected Eminent Commander of Manhattan Commandery, May 30, 1901.



R. EM. SIR DeWITT E. ALLEN
Grand Commander; Past Commander Charlotte
Commandery No. 2-Charlotte.



EM. SIR FERDINAND ULRICH.
Grand Captain General; Past Commander St.
Johns Commandery No. 2-Newbern.



EM. SIR JAMES C. MUNDS.
Grand Recorder; Treasurer Plantagenet Com-
mandery No. 1-Wilmington.

NORTH CAROLINA—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in North Carolina.

By
James C Munds,
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of North Carolina.

THE records of the Grand Encampment of the United States show that the Deputy General Grand Master granted a charter to Fayetteville Encampment, at Fayetteville, N. C., December 21, 1821.

Unfortunately for us, we know nothing of the workings or life of this encampment as the records and charter have all been lost.

The first record we have, was of "a special meeting of Encampment No. 1 Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders, held in the Mason's Hall, in the town of Wilmington, N. C., on Saturday evening, December 20, 1845."

Those present at this meeting were: Sir Knight Alex. McRae, of Encampment No. 1; Sir Knight Jacob Frieze, of Encampment S. John, R. I.; Sir Knight Jas. D. McCabe, of Encampment No. 2, Richmond, Va., who formed an encampment of the indispensable number, Sir Knight McRae having in his possession the charter granted in 1821, and conferred the Orders of Knighthood upon nine Royal Arch Masons.

The encampment was then regularly opened and officers elected, Sir Alex. McRae being the Commander, Sir Alfred Martin the Generalissimo, and Sir P. W. Fanning, the Captain General.

Various meetings were held until February 27, 1846, when the record ceased. At this Conclave the name of Livingston Encampment No. 1 was adopted. Evidently doubt had arisen as to the legality of the organization of the encampment, for we find at this Conclave that the Recorder was instructed to correspond with the Grand Recorder of the Grand En-

campment of Virginia and with the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of the United States.

Upon reference to the proceedings of the Grand Encampment of 1847, we find that the Grand Recorder reported the matter in full to the Grand Encampment, but nothing seems to have resulted.

At the Conclave of the Grand Encampment in 1850 a resolution was adopted authorizing the Grand Master to issue a charter in place of the one lost, which he did.

The next Conclave of the Encampment was held on February 7, 1851. The record states: "A charter bearing date the 3d day of January, 1851, having been received from the General Grand Encampment of the United States, authorizing an encampment of Knights Templar to be opened in Wilmington under the name and style of Wilmington Encampment No. 1."

Sir Knights Alex. McRae, P. W. Fanning, A. Martin, James T. Miller, Talcott Burr, Jr., S. D. Wallace, A. P. Repiton, Thos. F. Gause, W. A. Burr, R. G. Rankin were present.

Sir Knight A. Martin offered the following, which was adopted:

"WHEREAS, An encampment of Knights Templars was regularly organized in this place on the 20th day of December, 1845, under a charter granted by the General Grand Encampment of the United States to Sir Knight Robert Strange and others authorizing them to establish an encampment in Fayetteville, N C., failing in which, said charter was by the survivors of the original petitioners transferred to Sir Knight Alex. McRae of this place for the purpose of opening an encampment under said charter in Wilmington. and, whereas, said charter was destroyed by fire and failing to obtain a

renewal of the same as confidently expected we should be able to do on application to the General Grand Encampment, the Sir Knights suspended their operations on the 27th February, 1846, until they should succeed in obtaining a renewal of the same, which they have now succeeded in doing; therefore

Resolved, That the Sir Knights proceed at once to reorganize by electing and installing the officers and performing all other duties necessary to constitute us a regular encampment of Knights Templar, under the style or title named in the charter."

The election was held with the following result:

Sir Alex. McRae, Commander; A. Martin, Generalissimo; P. W. Fanning, Captain General.

The encampment seemed to flourish, considerable work was done and the Conclaves were well attended until March 17, 1852, when the record ceased without any explanation.

On March 18, 1872, Grand Master J. Q. A. Fellows authorized the surviving members to reorganize the Commandery as Wilmington Commandery No. 1. Accordingly, on April 13, 1872, nine Sir Knights being present, the organization was perfected by electing Sir Alfred Martin, Commander; Sir Knight J. C. Mann, Generalissimo; Sir Knight G. W. Jewett, Captain General.

The Commandery has been working ever since without intermission.

CHARLOTTE COMMANDERY NO. 2 AT CHARLOTTE.

A dispensation for this Commandery was issued by the Grand Master June 14, 1875, and at the succeeding Conclave of the Grand Encampment a charter was granted on August 31, 1877.

This Commandery has worked regularly and is now in a flourishing condition.

DURHAM COMMANDERY NO. 3 AT DURHAM.

A dispensation for this Commandery was issued by the Grand Master May 25, 1880, and at the succeeding Conclave

of the Grand Encampment a charter was granted on August 18, 1880.

While the membership of this Commandery is small, it is on a firm and substantial basis.

Upon the petition of Wilmington Commandery No. 1, Charlotte Commandery No. 2, and Durham Commandery No. 3 Grand Master Benj. Dean issued his warrant authorizing the formation of the Grand Commandery of North Carolina, and on May 10, 1881, in the Asylum of Wilmington Commandery No. 1, Wilmington, the Grand Commandery of North Carolina was duly constituted, Eminent Sir Knight Alfred Martin, Past Commander, acting as proxy of the Grand Master.

The Commanderies were duly represented as follows:

Wilmington Commandery No. 1, Wilmington, W. H. Chadbourn, Eminent Commander; H. H. Munson, Generalissimo; W. R. Kenan, Captain General.

Charlotte Commandery No. 2, Charlotte.—C. R. Jones, proxy for Eminent Commander and Captain General; F. H. Glover, proxy for Generalissimo.

Durham Commandery No. 3, Durham.—J. S. Carr, Eminent Commander; L. W. Battle, Generalissimo; J. Southgate, proxy for Captain General.

Grand Officers were elected and duly installed by Eminent Sir Alfred Martin, Past Commander, as follows:

Sir H. H. Munson, Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir L. W. Battle, Very Eminent Grand Commander; Sir G. H. King, Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir S. S. Everett, Eminent Grand Chaplain General; Sir Rev. Geo. Patterson, D. D., Eminent Grand Prelate; Sir Jas. Southgate, Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir F. H. Glover, Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir Wm. Simpson, Eminent Grand Treasurer; Sir James C. Munds, Eminent Grand Recorder; Sir W. R. Kenan, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer; Sir D. W. Bain, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer; Sir T. E. Bond, Eminent Grand Warder.

Charters have been granted by the Grand Commandery for formation of New Commanderies as follows:

October 11, 1882, to Raleigh No. 4, Raleigh.
 October 11, 1882, to Cyrene No. 5, Asheville.
 October 15, 1884, to Piedmont No. 6, Winston.
 October 15, 1884, to Mt. Lebanon No. 7, Wilson.
 August 2, 1887, to Ivanhoe No. 8, Greensboro.
 June 9, 1892, to St. George No. 9, Tarboro.
 May 11, 1893, to St. John No. 10, Newbern.
 May 11, 1893, to DeMolay No. 11, Oxford.
 May 9, 1894, to St. Aldemar No. 12, Enfield.

The Grand Commandery has now ten subordinates. We have met in Conclave annually and while our numbers are not large, we have a healthy growth and a bright outlook for the future.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight DeWitt E. Allen, Charlotte, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight John C. Drewry, Raleigh, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight Jas. K. Norfleet, Winston, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight F. Ulrich, Newbern, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight Rev. Thomas Bell, Wilson, Grand Prelate.

E. Sir Knight L. A. Dodsworth, Charlotte, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight F. T. Merriwether, Asheville, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight William Simpson, Raleigh, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight James C. Munds, Wilmington, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight J. D. Helms, Greensboro, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight T. S. Franklin, Charlotte, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight E. Norden, Wilmington, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight Robert H. Bradley, Raleigh, Grand Sentinel.
 R. E. Sir Knight James Southgate, Durham, Committee on Templar Correspondence.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

Horace H. Munson.	A. H. Cobb, Asheville.
Eugene Grissom.	W. S. Liddell, Charlotte.
*Donald W. Bain.	W. A. Withers, Raleigh.
C. A. Woodruff, Raleigh.	J. H. Hackburn, Newbern.
J. A. Porter, Asheville.	M. D. Bailey, Winston.
W. W. Allen, Greensboro.	W. E. Storm, Wilmington.
James Southgate, Durham.	W. F. Randolph, Asheville.
F. M. Moye, Wilson.	DeWitt E. Allen, Charlotte.

*DECEASED.

North Carolina Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
41	1	PLANTAGENET	Wilmington	R. W. Price	H. G. Smallbones
84	2	CHARLOTTE	Charlotte	A. E. McCausland	Geo. A. Page
16	3	DURHAM	Durham	James Southgate	C. C. Taylor
43	4	RALEIGH	Raleigh	W. E. Faison	W. A. Withers
69	5	CYRENE	Asheville	Frank T. Merriwether	M. W. Robertson
36	6	PIEDMONT	Winston	Rufus W. Nading	D. P. Mast
25	7	MT. LEBANON	Wilson	Lat. Williams	Jos. Kinsey
30	8	IVANHOE	Greensboro	H. S. Buchanan	Wm. T. Gayle
25	10	ST. JOHN	Newbern	James Redmond	R. S. Primrose
20	12	ST. ALDEMAR	Enfield	Joe. J. Whitaker	John A. Collins
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NORTH DAKOTA--MASONIC TEMPLE, FARGO.

The Order of the Temple in North Dakota.

By
**Frank J.
Thompson,**
Grand Recorder of the
Grand Commandery
of
North Dakota.

THE history of the Grand Commandery of the State of North Dakota must, perforce, consist largely, if not wholly, of the formal transactions done in Grand Conclave. It came into existence by the fission process which marks the creation of the lower forms of animal life, and which serves to illustrate how the simpler processes of nature may extend their power to the complex and highly developed creations of the universe.

The early history of this Grand Commandery is, in fact, the early history of the Grand Commandery of Dakota. When political ambitions took up the banner of patriotism, and made the people believe that those of the territory north should be divided from those of the south, and carved out of the great gestating Commonwealth the States of North and South Dakota, through custom and precedent, the division of the Grand Commandery of the territory followed.

On the 3d day of June, 1890, the Grand Commandery of the Territory of Dakota met in the city of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, in Annual Conclave. The Commanderies lying within the State of North Dakota were represented by Clarence B. Little, representing Tancred Commandery No. 4, at Bismarck; Roswell W. Knowlton, representing Fargo Commandery No. 5, Fargo; David M. Holmes, representing Grand Forks Commandery No. 8, Grand Forks; Chas. E. Blackwell, representing Wi-ha-ha Commandery No. 12, Jamestown, and Leonard A. Rose, Past Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of Dakota, a member of Fargo Commandery No. 5, also present. At this convention, the Grand Commandery of

Knights Templar of North Dakota was organized, and a code of statutes adopted. The following Grand Officers were elected and appointed:

ELECTED.

Leonard A. Rose, Fargo (2) Right Eminent Grand Commander.

David M. Holmes (3), Grand Forks, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander.

Robert E. Wallace (4), Jamestown, Eminent Grand Generalissimo.

Roswell W. Knowlton (2) Fargo, Eminent Grand Captain General.

Francis B. Nash (2) Fargo, Eminent Grand Prelate.

Joseph Hare (1), Bismarck, Eminent Grand Senior Warden.

Clarence A. Hale (3) Grand Forks, Eminent Grand Junior Warden.

Chas. E. Blackwell (4) Jamestown, Eminent Grand Treasurer.

William T. Perkins (1) Bismarck, Eminent Grand Recorder.

APPOINTED.

Hamline P. Rucker (3) Grand Forks, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer.

John D. Black (4), Jamestown, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer.

Andrew H. Burke (2), Fargo, Eminent Grand Warder.

James H. Marshall (1) Bismarck, Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard.

The Convention adjourned to meet on the 16th day of June, 1890, at Fargo, N. D., said date having been fixed by Right Eminent Sir Knight Marc A. Brewer, Past Grand Commander



EM. SIR FRANK J. THOMPSON.
Grand Recorder; Recorder Auvergne Commandery
No. 2—Fargo.



SIR KT. THOMAS E. FOX.
Cyrene Commandery No. 7; P. M. Willow Lodge
No. 4; Grand Recorder, W. M. G. Willow Lodge
A. F. & A. M.—Willow City.



EM. SIR HARRY S. OLIVER.
Commander Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8—Lisbon.



SIR KT. WALTER L. WILLIAMSON.
Recorder Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8—Lisbon.

**NORTH DAKOTA-OFFICERS OF GRAND COMMANDERY AND COMMANDERIES:
AUVERGNE NO. 2, FARGO; CYRENE NO. 7 DEVILS LAKE;
IVANHOE NO. 8, LISBON.**

of the Grand Commandery of Dakota Territory, and proxy for the Most Eminent Grand Master J. P. S. Gobin. On that day, the Grand Officers and members of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar, of North Dakota, met in Annual Conclave, and the Grand Officers were installed by Right Eminent Sir Knight Marc A. Brewer. The Commanderies were then re-numbered, Tancred becoming No. 1, Fargo Commandery subsequently becoming Auvergne No. 2; Grand Forks being numbered 3; and Wi-ha-ha numbered 4.

The records of the Convention at Fargo do not give any credential report, but the officers at the opening ceremonies were:

Right Eminent Sir Knight Marc A. Brewer, Grand Commander; Very Eminent Sir Knight Leonard A. Rose, Deputy Grand Commander; Eminent Sir Knight Robert E. Wallace Grand Generalissimo; Eminent Sir Knight Roswell W. Knowlton, Grand Captain General; Eminent Sir Knight Francis B. Nash, Grand Prelate; Eminent Sir Knight Rufus E. Fleming, Grand Senior Warden; Eminent Sir Knight Clarence A. Hale, Grand Junior Warden; Eminent Sir Charles E. Blackwell, Grand Treasurer; Eminent Sir Knight Thomas J. Wilder, Grand Recorder; Eminent Sir Knight Hamline P. Rucker, Grand Standard Bearer; Eminent Sir Knight John D. Black, Grand Sword Bearer; Eminent Sir Knight E. C. Gearey, Grand Warder; Eminent Sir Knight Samuel T. Connick, Grand Captain of the Guard.

After the installation of Grand Officers, we find the officers given as follows:

Right Eminent Leonard A. Rose, Grand Commander; Very Eminent David M. Holmes, Deputy Grand Commander; Eminent Robert E. Wallace, Grand Generalissimo; Eminent Roswell W. Knowlton, Grand Captain General; Eminent Francis B. Nash, Grand Prelate; Eminent Rufus E. Fleming (acting) Grand Senior Warden; Eminent Clarence A. Hale, Grand Junior Warden; Eminent Charles E. Blackwell, Grand Treasurer; Eminent Thomas J. Wilder (acting), Grand Recorder; Eminent Hamline P. Rucker, Grand Standard Bearer; Eminent John D.

Black, Grand Warder; Eminent Samuel T. Connick (acting) Grand Captain of the Guard.

We also find the name of Sir Knight John Davidson, of Tancred Commandery, as being present. Sir Knight Thomas J. Wilder, the Acting Grand Recorder, was the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of the Territory of Dakota from its organization in 1884 to the division of the same into the Grand Chapters of North and South Dakota, also Grand Secretary of the former Grand Chapter from 1890 to the time of his resignation in the fall of 1893, as well as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M. of North Dakota for the years 1890 and 1891.

The division of the Grand Commandery of Dakota Territory, or perhaps better the going out of the Commanderies located in the State of North Dakota, was entirely agreeable to the members of the Grand Commandery of Dakota Territory, and which could not be better evidenced than by the fact of the presentation of the beautiful jewels of the Grand Commandery of Dakota Territory to the new Grand Commandery of North Dakota. The presentation was made by Right Eminent Sir John F. Shrader, Grand Commander elect of South Dakota, and the acceptance was made by Right Eminent Sir Leonard A. Rose, Grand Commander-elect of the Grand Commandery of North Dakota. The words uttered by these Eminent Sir Knights on this occasion breathe eloquently the friendship existing and the sorrow falling, for the ways of the two Grand Commanderies must thenceforth lie apart.

At the convention at Fargo, Sir Knight Rufus E. Fleming, member of Fargo, now Auvergne Commandery, and Inspector General of the Southern Jurisdiction Scottish Rite, for North Dakota, was made an honorary member, as well as all of the past and present members of the Grand Commandery of South Dakota.

At the time of organization, there were only four subordinate Commanderies in the State, as follows:

Tancred No. 1, Bismarck.—Dispensation issued March 23, 1883; charter granted August 23, 1883.

Fargo, now Auvergne No. 2, Fargo.—Dispensation issued June 24, 1883; charter granted August 23, 1883.

Grand Forks No. 3, Grand Forks.—Dispensation issued September 25, 1885; charter granted May 12, 1886.

Wi-ha-ha No. 4, Jamestown.—Dispensation issued June 12, 1888; charter granted June 12, 1889, with a total membership of 180, and the Eminent Commanders and Recorders were:

Tancred No. 1, John Davidson, Eminent Commander; O. H. Holt, Recorder.

Auvergne No. 2, Leonard A. Rose, Eminent Commander; Joel O. Jewett, Recorder.

Grand Forks No. 3, David M. Holmes, Eminent Commander; E. J. Landers, Recorder.

Wi-ha-ha No. 4, Chas. E. Blackwell, Eminent Commander; J. J. Eddy, Recorder.

Of those who assisted in the formation of the Grand Commandery, Sir Knights Marc A. Brewer, Roswell W. Knowlton, Thomas J. Wilder, and John Davidson have passed to the unseen temple. Sirs Francis B. Nash, Charles E. Blackwell, William T. Perkins, Hamline P. Rucker, and Andrew H. Burke have permanently moved from the State. Sir Knight Joel O. Jewett, Recorder of Auvergne Commandery, has also entered the unseen temple.

The history of this Grand Commandery since the days of its convention is simply that of routine business, with the addition now and then of a new Commandery to its roll. At the present time, we have eight Commanderies, as follows:

Tancred Commandery No. 1, located at Bismarck, N. D.

Auvergne Commandery No. 2, at Fargo, N. D.

Grand Forks Commandery No. 3, at Grand Forks, N. D.

Wi-ha-ha Commandery No. 4, at Jamestown, N. D.

St. Elmo Commandery No. 5, at Valley City, N. D.

St. Omer Commandery No. 6, at Grafton, N. D.

Cyrene Commandery No. 7, at Devil's Lake, N. D.

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 8, at Lisbon, N. D. ,

Without desiring to make any distinction, it might not be uninteresting to state that Auvergne Commandery, at Fargo, on New Year's eve, 1900, knighted ten, and so arranged the ceremony that the actual knighting extended from the nineteenth into the twentieth century; that on the 21st day of March, 1901, the degree of Malta was worked and fully exemplified by Auvergne Commandery in the large auditorium of the new Masonic Temple, at which time forty-eight candidates received the degree, the work being especially exemplified upon Rt. Rev. Samuel Cook Edsall, then the Episcopal Bishop of North Dakota, now the Bishop of the State of Minnesota.

The growth of Templarism has been comparatively slow in this Grand Jurisdiction. At Easter time, 1901, the total membership of the various Commanderies was 618, yet it is better that it should be thus, because experience has demonstrated that, while Masonic Lodges may flourish in small towns, the natural habitat of a Commandery is in a populous and thrifty city. Since the organization of the Grand Commandery, it has been its custom, with few exceptions, to have its Annual Conclave follow that of the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter. Last year, by amendment to by-laws, the fiscal year was made to end on December 31st, and our next Grand Conclave will be held January 29th and 30th. The moving force to this change was really the desire of the members to have longer sessions and better opportunities to cultivate knightly friendship and enjoy the society of one another. Large Masonic bodies, while, in a way, a source of pride, yet in them we miss that close, personal friendship that we find in smaller assemblies, and although the Fraters of North Dakota can not point with pride to the numbers of its members, it can to the truly beautiful spirit of friendship, which prevails among its delegates.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Almond L. Woods, Grafton, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight Thomas Baker, Jr., Fargo, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight Robert M. Carothers, Grand Forks, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight George H. Phelps, Fargo, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight Frank H. Sprague, Grafton, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Harry S. Oliver, Lisbon, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight James E. Watt, Devil's Lake, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight Alexander C. Mather, Grand Forks, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Frank J. Thompson, Fargo, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Herman Winterer, Valley City, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Herbert E. White, Jamestown, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Frank Donnelly, Bismarck, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight DeWitt C. Moore, Grafton, Grand Captain General.

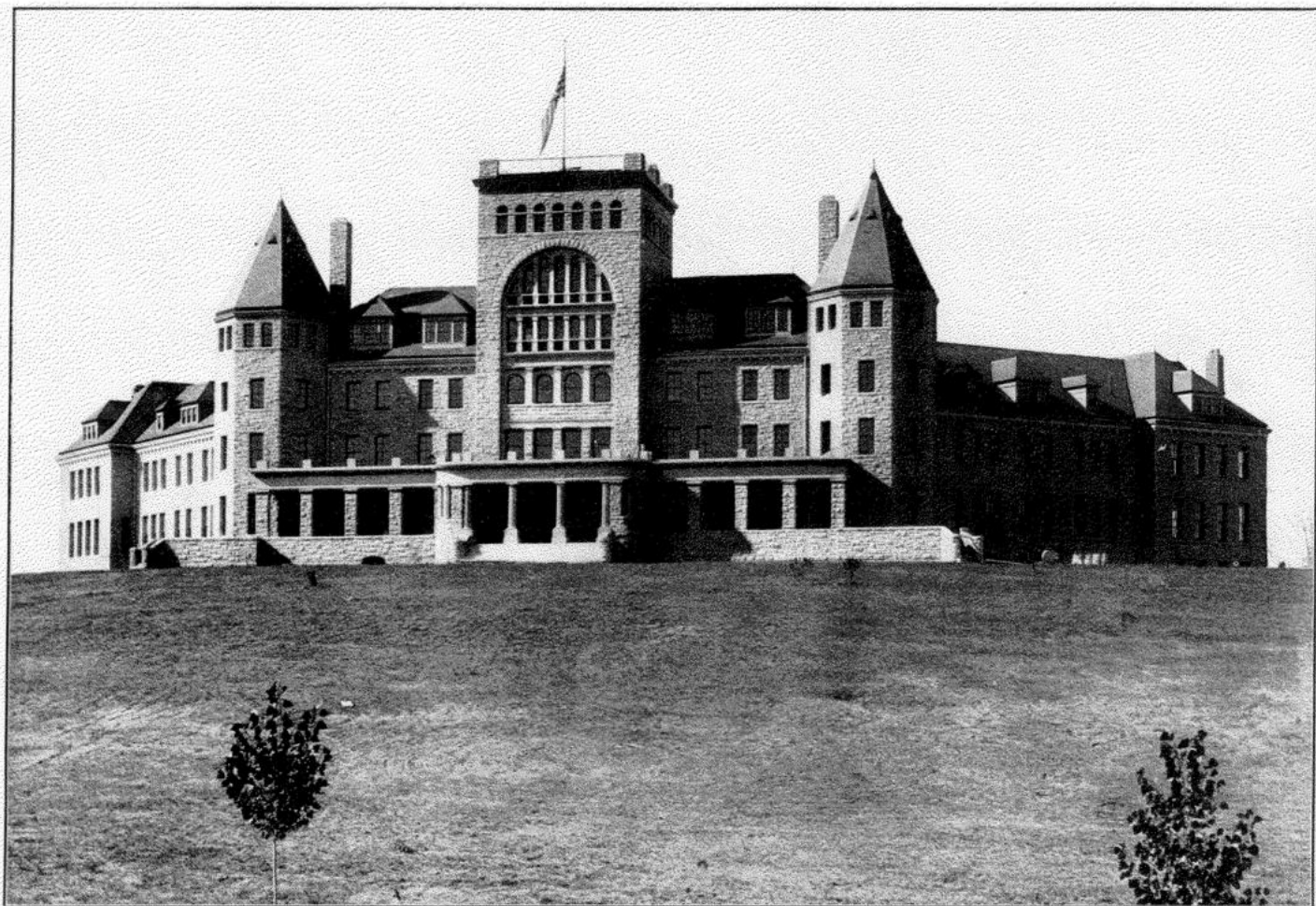
PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Samuel Roy.	Joseph Hare.
Levi B. French.	Clarence A. Hale.
Daniel S. Glidden.	Wm. T. Perkins.
*Marc A. Brewer.	John D. Black.
Joseph A. Colcord.	Theo. F. Branch.
William D. Stites.	John Holmes.
Leonard A. Rose.	Clark W. Kelly.
David H. Holmes.	Almond L. Woods.
Robert E. Wallace.	Thomas Baker, Jr.
R'e'l. W. Knowlton.	

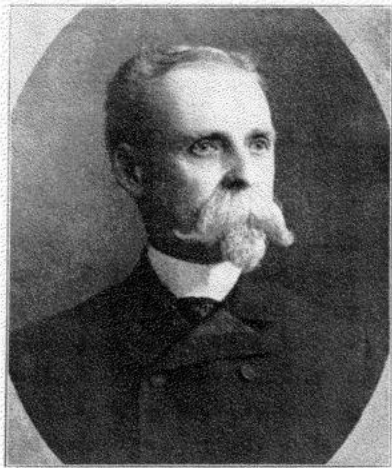
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North Dakota Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

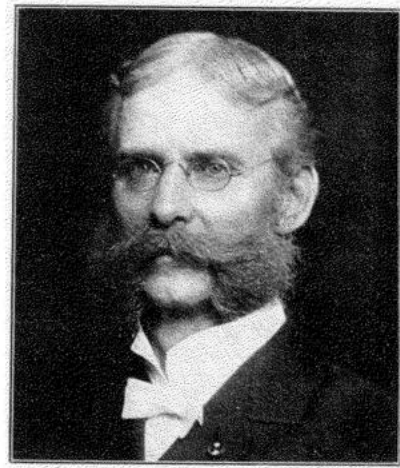
Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
59	1	TANCRED	Bismarck	Maurice M. Cook	William F. Cochrane
217	2	AUVERGNE	Fargo	Charles E. March	Frank J. Thompson
87	3	GRAND FORKS	Grand Forks	William Spriggs	Alexander C. Mather
48	4	WI-HA-HA	Jamestown	John W. Goodrich	Francis Ingalls
60	5	ST. ELMO	Valley City	Thomas N. Ritchie	Chessmer A. Fisher
58	6	ST. OMER	Grafton	William C. Treumann	Benjamin A. Provoost
49	7	CYBENE	Devil's Lake	Charles W. Greene	Jacob R. Koller
40	8	IVANHOE	Lisbon	Harry S. Oliver	Walter L. Williamson
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OHIO-MASONIC HOME, SPRINGFIELD.



R. EM. SIR ARTHUR B. FOSTER.
Grand Commander 1900-01—Cleveland.

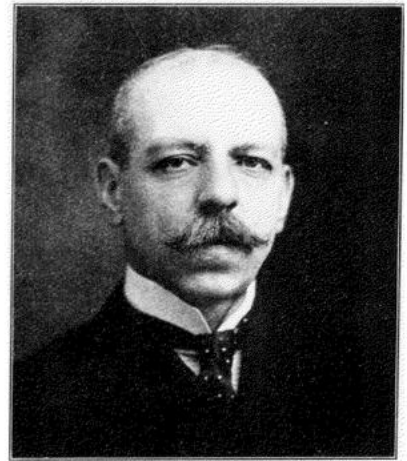


EM. SIR JOHN NELSON BELL.
Grand Recorder—Dayton.

OHIO—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.



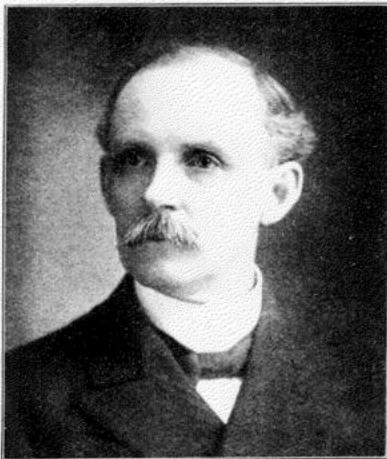
EM. SIR THOMAS KITE.
Grand Generalissimo—Cincinnati.



EM. SIR FREDERICK LYMAN GEDDES.
Grand Junior Warden—Toledo.



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM B. MELISH.
Past Grand Commander of Ohio; Grand Captain
General Grand Encampment, U. S. A.
—Cincinnati.



EM. SIR AND REV. JOHN M. MILLS.
Grand Prelate—Lima.



EM. SIR JOHN H. GIBSON.
Grand Standard Bearer—Cincinnati.

The Order of the Temple in Ohio.

By
John Nelson Bell,
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of Ohio.

IN compiling this brief sketch of the history of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Ohio, the writer has quoted freely from the pamphlet written by Eminent Sir Knight D. N. Kinsman, Past Commander of Mt. Vernon Commandery No. 1, of Columbus, Ohio, and published in 1893 by the Grand Commandery.

The history of the Order of the Temple in Ohio can be divided into two periods, the first extending from 1818 to 1843, when the Grand Encampment (Commandery) was organized, the second from 1843 to 1901. The individual histories of Mount Vernon No. 1, Lancaster No. 2 and Cincinnati No. 3, working under charters from the General Grand Encampment of the United States, embrace the history of Templary in Ohio for the first period of twenty-five years.

From the records of Mt. Vernon Commandery No. 1 we learn that in answer to a petition signed by two Knights Templar (John Snow and Frederick A. Curtis), and five Royal Arch Masons (James Kilbourne, Chester Griswold, Chauncey Barker, Levi Pinney, and Mark Seely), members of Horeb Chapter No. 3, located at Worthington, Ohio, a dispensation to form and open a council and encampment in the town of Worthington, was issued by Thomas Smith Webb, Deputy General Grand Master of the United States, under date of March 14, 1818.

Under authority of this dispensation, and in obedience to a summons issued by Sir Knight Snow, to all Knights Templar living within the distance of forty miles, Sir Knights Thomas Smith Webb hailing from the General Grand Encampment of

the United States and the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; John Snow hailing from St. John's Encampment, Rhode Island, and Frederick Curtis hailing from Ireland, met at Worthington, March 15, 1818, exchanged credentials, and formed and opened a council of the Red Cross. On the same day, James Kilbourne and Chester Griswold were dubbed and created Knights of the Red Cross, as were Chauncey Barker, Levi Pinney and Mark Seeley, on March 17th. On March 20, 1818, an encampment of Knights Templar, and Knights of Malta of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, was opened and Chester Griswold was elected and received the Orders of the Temple and Malta, as did the remaining original petitioners at dates immediately following: General Grand Master, Henry Fowle, Deputy General Grand Master, John Snow, General Grand Generalissimo, and Ezra Ames, General Grand Captain General, Sir Knight John Snow was the first Eminent Commander. The first meeting under the charter was held January 27, 1820.

The orders were conferred on various petitioners in the months of May and June of that year, Thomas Smith Webb being the leading spirit and conducting all the meetings.

A charter was issued to Mt. Vernon Encampment No. 1, under date of September 15, 1819, signed by DeWitt Clinton,

From this period until the storm of anti-Masonic excitement spread over the country in 1827, the names of many men illustrious in civil and Masonic life were added to the roster of Mt. Vernon Encampment, among them being those of Bela Latham, Platt Benedict, William Fielding, afterward Grand Master of the Grand Lodge Free and Accepted Masons of Ohio; General George Sanderson, Thomas Corwin, subsequently governor of Ohio, Grand Master of Free and Accepted Masons, and the first Eminent Commander of Reed Command-

ery No. 6, of Dayton, Charles R. Sherman, also Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, father of Hon. John Sherman, and General W. T. Sherman, the hero of Atlanta and the "March to the Sea," and many others.

No record of any meeting of Mt. Vernon Encampment appears from September 27, 1827, until May 22, 1830, when an election of officers took place and the names of two of the "Old Guard," who were on the original petition for a dispensation, appear upon the roster, Most Eminent Sir Knight John Snow as Commander and Levi Pinney as Senior Warden; another, James Kilbourne was also present.

Another hiatus occurred, and no meetings appear to have been held until June 3, 1841, when Mt. Vernon Encampment met pursuant to a summons issued by William J. Reese, who at this time was Grand Captain General of the General Grand Encampment.

On February 22, 1844, William B. Hubbard became a member of Mt. Vernon Encampment. He attained the highest position in the Grand Encampment, and was instrumental more than any other single individual, in placing Templarism in the United States upon its present high plane.

In 1844, Mt. Vernon Encampment was removed from Worthington to Columbus, where it has since remained, and where it entered upon a career of prosperity lasting until the present day.

The charter of Lancaster Commandery No. 2 was granted by the General Grand Encampment in 1835, and was organized April 4, 1838, Sir Knight William J. Reese being the leading spirit, and first Eminent Commander. On April 10, 1838, M. Z. Kreider, who afterward became the first Grand Master (Commander) of the Grand Encampment (Commandery) of Ohio received the orders of knighthood. For three years, 1838 to 1841, Lancaster was probably the only *working* Commandery in Ohio. Sir Knight Kinsman relates the following as illustrative of the frugality of the Sir Knights of this Commandery in past years:

"This body has done a great work for Templary in the West.

Earnestness and simplicity have been its characteristics. The traditional banquet of the Red Cross during the membership of the writer was a frugal affair consisting of salt crackers and cheese. Once upon a time some of the progressive knights directed the Sentinel to get up something worthy of such an occasion, and the bill of fare at the next meeting was *ginger-snaps and apple-butter!* The memory of this banquet is cherished in Lancaster till this day."

In December, 1839, a dispensation was granted C. F. Hanselmann and eight other Sir Knights, to form and open a Commandery at Cincinnati under the name of Cincinnati Encampment No. 3. A charter issued in 1840 was received in 1842. At the formation of the Grand Commandery of Ohio in 1843, there were twenty-three members. Cincinnati Commandery has the honor to have conferred the orders of knighthood upon that great Masonic student and writer, Enoch Terry Carson, September 5, 1846, and in which Commandery he retained membership until his death, February 23, 1899, a period of fifty-three years. Many other distinguished men and Masons received the accolade at its altars, but want of space forbids special mention.

Massillon Encampment No. 4 was organized July 5, 1843, and chartered by the General Grand Encampment September 13, 1844.

Cinton Encampment No. 5 stationed at Mt. Vernon, Ohio, was organized under dispensation issued by Wm. J. Reese, General Grand Generalissimo, October 12, 1843.

According to the records of the General Grand Encampment, Miami Encampment located at Lebanon, Ohio, was chartered by John Snow, March 14, 1826. It was still in existence in 1841, but had ceased to work before the organization of the Grand Commandery.

The five first named encampments participated in the organization of the Grand Encampment of Ohio, October 24, 1843, at Lancaster, Ohio, under a warrant issued by the General Grand Encampment under date of September 17, 1843.

The first Grand Master elected was M. Z. Kreider, of Lan-

caster, who has been succeeded by a long line of able and distinguished templars.

In 1856 a little rebellion was stirred up in Ohio, the occasion being the action of the General Grand Encampment in changing its name to *Grand Encampment*, and those of its subordinates to *Grand Commanderies*, and in October, 1857, the Grand Encampment of Ohio adopted resolutions severing its connection with the General Grand Encampment of the United States. This action was rescinded at a Special Conclave held in December of the same year, through the efforts of Grand Master Hubbard and the more conservative Templars of the State, but it was not until 1867 that the constitution was finally amended in accordance with that of the Grand Encampment.

Another disturbing element appeared in 1885, by the introduction of what is known as Cerneauism, or bogus Scottish Rite Masonry, which caused much ill feeling and insubordination, and resulted in the arrest of the charters of two of the Commanderies. These were subsequently re-established on a loyal basis, under new names and charters, and in common with the rest, have steadily advanced in numbers and influence.

From the best information obtainable, there were barely one hundred Knights Templar in Ohio at the time of the organization of the Grand Commandery. From that period until the present, Templarism in this State has prospered beyond the most sanguine hopes of its founders. Then there were five small encampments with a total membership of 102. Now there are fifty-nine (59) chartered Commanderies, the annual returns for the year ending July 31, 1900, showing a membership in good standing of 8,945, and at the date of this writing it numbers 9,490.

Much additional interesting matter could be added to this meager sketch of Templarism in the Buckeye State, embracing personal sketches of the able and distinguished Masons who have presided over its councils and directed its course through the "trials and tribulations" incident to the progress

of an organization confessedly aiming at the highest ideals of Christian manhood, but it is manifestly impossible in a publication of this character. Suffice it to say in conclusion, that in the Templar affairs of the nation, as well as in executive, legislative and military matters, we hope the "Ohio man" will continue to be, as in the past, very much "in evidence."

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Arthur B. Foster, Cleveland, Grand Commander.
V. E. Sir Knight William L. Bates, Dayton, Deputy Grand Commander.
E. Sir Knight William T. McLean, Sidney, Grand Generalissimo.
E. Sir Knight Thomas Kite, Cincinnati, Grand Captain General.
E. Sir Knight Carroll F. Clapp, Warren, Grand Senior Warden.
E. Sir Knight Frederick L. Geddes, Toledo, Grand Junior Warden.
E. Sir Knight and Rev. John M. Mills, Lima, Grand Prelate.
E. Sir Knight J. Burton Parsons, Cleveland, Grand Treasurer.
E. Sir Knight John Nelson Bell, Dayton, Grand Recorder.
E. Sir Knight John H. Gibson, Cincinnati, Grand Standard Bearer.
E. Sir Knight Ralph R. Rickly, Columbus, Grand Sword Bearer.
E. Sir Knight Edmund B. King, Sandusky, Grand Warden.
E. Sir Knight William T. Robbins, Cleveland, Grand Captain of the Guard.

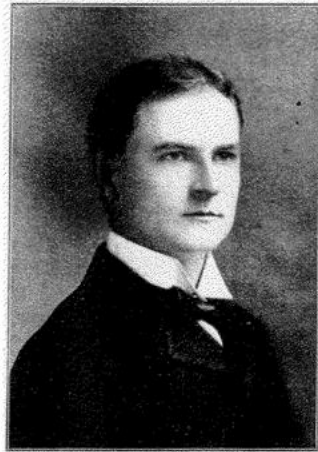
PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Michael Z. Kreider.	Lafayette Lyttle.
*Bela Latham.	*Fr. H. Rehwinkel.
*John L. Vattler.	*Wm. T. Walker.
*Wm. B. Thrall.	Henry Perkins.
*C. F. Hanselmann.	Wm. B. Melish.
*John H. Achey.	Huntington Brown.
*Kent Jarvis.	Martin J. Houck.
*Heman Ely.	Henry P. McIntosh.
*Enoch T. Carson.	John A. Warner.
*Charles C. Kiefer.	John P. McCune.
Brenton D. Babcock.	Barton Smith.
J. Kelly O'Neill.	Robert V. Hampson.
*Henry H. Tatem.	Stephen P. Sands.
Alex. F. Vance, Jr.	*Horace R. Bradbury.
Eli Fasold.	Arthur B. Foster.
Charles E. Stanley.	

*DECEASED.



EM. SIR RICHARD FRITZ.
Commander 1891-92.



EM. SIR ARCHIBALD FRIES.
Commander 1900-01.



SIR KT. WILLIAM L. MEYER.
Generalissimo.



SIR KT. ALFRED S. BROWN.
Captain General.



SIR KT. JOHN W. BRITTON.
Junior Warden.



SIR KT. JOSEPH W. KAHLER.
Prelate.



SIR KT. JOHN D. NICOL.
Ass't. Prelate.



SIR KT. JOHN R. KINSLEY.
Treasurer.



EM. SIR ED. S. RUNNELS.
Past Captain General P. E. C. of New-
port Commandery No. 13.



SIR KT. JOHN WESLEY CARROLL.
Standard Bearer.



SIR KT. CLARENCE W. SIEBERN.
Sword Bearer.



SIR KT. A. E. EMMINGER, M. D.
Warder.



SIR KT. PETER HENRY.

OHIO-CINCINNATI COMMANDERY NO. 3, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, CINCINNATI.

Ohio Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Name.	Em. Commander.	Address.	Recorder.	Address.
467	1	MT. VERNON	F. R. Cross	5 N. High, Columbus	W. E. Joseph	Masonic Temple, Columbus
71	2	LANCASTER	J. C. Hart	309 N. Columbus, Lancaster	C. W. Matthews	325 E. Chestnut, Lancaster
383	3	CINCINNATI	Eugene L. Lewis	County Court House, Cinc'ti.	Chas. E. Logan	4 Johnson Bid'g., Cincinnati
113	4	MASSILLON	Lester L. Nave	Akron St., Massillon	Chas. H. Garrigues	60 Plum, Massillon
148	5	CLINTON	Russell J. Ash	Box 352, Mt. Vernon	Sam'l. H. Peterman	Mt. Vernon
365	6	REED	Michael L. Finnell	Osborn	Jas. C. Turner	138 Salem Ave., Dayton
418	7	TOLEDO	Henry Schaefer	206 Summit, Toledo	R. T. Eastell	First Nat'l Bank, Toledo
200	8	CHILLICOTHE	Chas. P. Mosher	157 S. Paint, Chillicothe	John H. Miller	7 E. Second, Chillicothe
129	9	DEMOLAY	Arthur H. Unger	174 S. Washington, Tiffin	Russell L. Knapp	54 E. Perry, Tiffin
128	10	CYRENE	J. B. Larzelere	First Nat'l Bank, Zanesville	J. W. Frazier	41 Thurman, Zanesville
93	11	STEUBENVILLE	Joseph Carnahan	Steubenville	T. W. Vance	414 Dock, Steubenville
535	12	ORIENTAL	Chas. C. True	1057 E. Madison, Cleveland	Jas. W. Venning	961 Rose Bid'g, Cleveland
134	13	CALVARY	Rob't. G. Bryan	Portsmouth	George Padan	Portsmouth
194	14	SHAWNEE	R. O. Woods	N. Main, Lima	E. H. Johns	222 S. Pierce, Lima
118	15	ATHENS	J. Halliday Cline	1 S. Court, Athens	Jas. A. Palmer	15 College, Athens
366	16	HANSELMANN	William M. Perin	326 Walnut, Cincinnati	John W. Paul	2355 Wheeler, Cincinnati
165	17	COLEMAN	John H. Rohrer	Tippecanoe City	A. E. Sinks	L. Box 526, Troy
155	18	NORWALK	C. S. Shedd	Rural No. 1, Norwalk	W. E. Sidnell	16 Newton, Norwalk
205	19	RAFER	John M. Broderick	Court House, Marysville	Edwin Hagenbuch	232 W. Reynolds, Urbana
142	20	ST. JOHN'S	Jos. B. Adamson	Youngstown	Carl Kaletzky	Youngstown
205	21	MANSFIELD	Alex. M. Young	Mansfield	John L. Dehn	Mansfield
102	22	MIAMI	J. W. Organ	Loveland	Ed. S. Conklin	Lebanon
162	23	ERIE	Henry G. Schumacher	702 Wayne, Sandusky	Robert W. Worden	1333 Columbus Av., Sandusky
76	24	OHIO VALLEY	C. Ihle	Pomeroy	Wyatt G. Plantz	Pomeroy
274	25	AKRON	O. S. Hart	Akron	A. H. Sargent	P. O. Box 176, Akron
173	26	HOPE	J. B. Meyer	St. Clairsville	J. B. Ryan	St. Clairsville
125	27	CACHE	Herbert A. Mixer	Pierpont	C. H. Simonds	Broad St., Conneaut
123	28	GARFIELD	Wm. H. Dial	101 E Court, Washington C. H	Edwin J. Light	129 Circle Av., Wash'g'n C. H
143	29	EAGLE	John H. Cyeney	Chardon	Oscar W. Kile	122 Courtland, Painesville
180	30	DEFIANCE	A. Viers	Defiance	C. D. Harris	Defiance
63	31	HIGHLAND	Jno. P. Currin	Hillsboro	Phil. H. Work	Box 177, Hillsboro
431	32	HOLYWOOD	W. R. Dunbar	174 Miles Ave., Cleveland	H. R. Bonfield	76 Brookfield, Cleveland
209	33	PALESTINE	George Kepsay	308 N. Fountain Av., Spr'f'd.	Wm. W. Ellsworth	312 E. High, Springfield
97	34	ST. LUKE'S	H. C. Bostwick	Newark	W. G. Taafel	Newark
91	35	SCIOTO	Jonathan R. Florence	Circleville	Stephen L. Grigsby	140 E. Union, Circleville
225	36	MARION	Michael Waddell	E. Center, Marion	Jas. A. Knapp	109½ N. Main, Marion



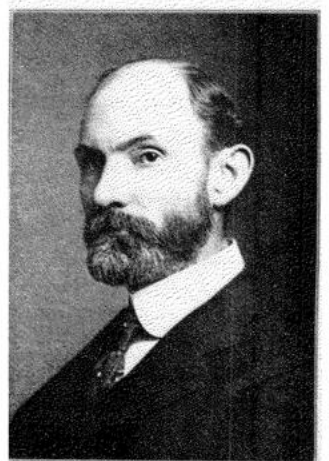
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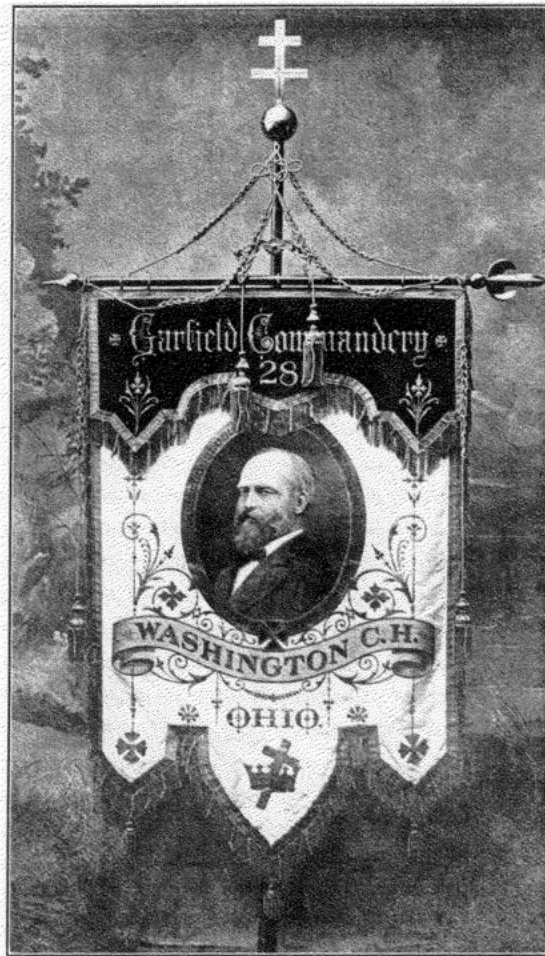
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OHIO-CINCINNATI COMMANDERY NO. 3, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, CINCINNATI.

Ohio Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.—Continued.

Mem.	No.	Name.	Em. Commander.	Address.	Recorder.	Address.
55	37	WILMINGTON	J. M. Fisher.....	Wilmington	D. J. Foland.....	Wilmington
142	38	CANTON	Daniel L. Holwick....	2712 W. Tuscarawas, Canton.	Henry L. Erdman....	404 W. Fifth, Canton
144	39	WARREN	Frederick K. Smith....	Trumbull Block, Warren....	J. L. Kennedy.....	Box 1004, Warren
156	40	FOREST CITY	S. S. Leonard.....	371 Franklin Ave., Cleveland	V. A. E. Dustin.....	91 Duane, Cleveland
57	41	HAMILTON	C. C. Donley.....	Middletown	Geo. H. Phillips....	Box 153, Hamilton
187	42	SALEM	John W. Moore.....	Leetonia	Will M. Crumrine....	16-18 B Way, Salem
63	43	THE ROSE	Orlon L. Kiger.....	P. O. Box 384, Gallipolis	Jno. C. Vanden.....	P. O. Box 183, Gallipolis
115	44	TRINITY	Robert S. Waddell....	Union Trust Bld'g, Cincin'ti.	Wm. Luther Davis....	Box 179, Cincinnati
60	45	IRONTON	Frank A. Dupuy.....	S. Sixth St., Ironton	Alfred Robinson....	242 S. Third St., Ironton
117	46	SIDNEY	Wm. A. Graham.....	Miami Ave., Sidney	Wilbur J. Emmons...	Ohio Ave., Sidney
53	47	CAMBRIDGE	C. S. Turnbaugh.....	804 Wheeling Av., Camb'r'dge	R. W. Lindsey.....	718 Wheeling Av., Camb'ge
133	48	WOOSTER	Eli P. Willaman.....	Wooster	Jesse McClellan....	Public Square, E., Wooster
117	49	FINDLAY	Jno C. Firmán.....	319 S. Main, Findlay	W. S. Parker.....	222 W. Crawford, Findlay
122	50	MARIETTA	Chas. F. Henry.....	204 Gilman, Ave., Marietta..	A. W. Tompkins....	210 Gilman Ave., Marietta
119	51	ST. BERNARD	H. J. Speck.....	Box 731, Dennison	Geo. W. White.....	Urichsville
84	52	COLUMBIAN	G. E. Webster.....	Kingsville	H. R. Faulkner.....	58½ Park, Ashtabula
91	53	JACKSON	Moses D. Jones.....	213 Portsmouth, Jackson	Lloyd T. Jones.....	47 South, Jackson
125	54	IVANHOE	Frank W. Purmort....	Van Wert	I. H. Malick.....	Van Wert
88	55	PILGRIM	Jacob Shenkel.....	113 Cook, E. Liverpool.....	Geo. W. Croxall....	219 Fifth, E. Liverpool
52	56	FREMONT	Thomas F. Heffner....	Clyde St., E. Side, Toledo..	Isaac M. Keeler....	417 Birchard Av., Fremont
65	57	NEW LEXINGTON	L. A. Tussing.....	New Lexington	Jas. F. McMahon....	New Lexington
96	58	KENTON	John H. Smick.....	Kenton	Jas. L. Moore.....	Kenton
41	59	ST. OMER	LaFayette L. Barber..	718 Spitzer Bld'g., Toledo...	Geo. M. Ransom.....	First Nat'l Bank, Toledo

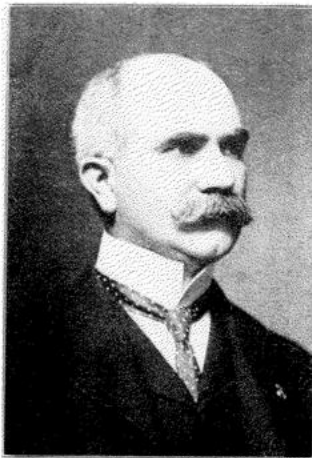
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OHIO—BANNER GARFIELD COMMANDERY NO. 28, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, WASHINGTON, C. H.



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Past Commander.



EM. SIR M. L. FINNELL.
Commander.



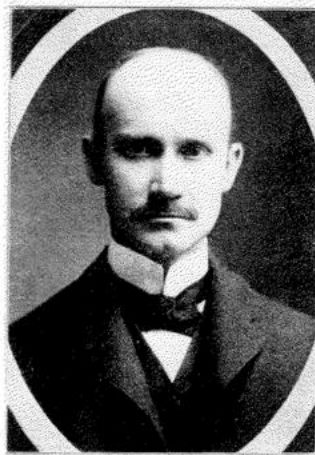
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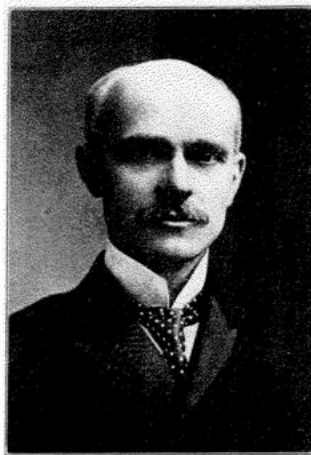
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Recorder.



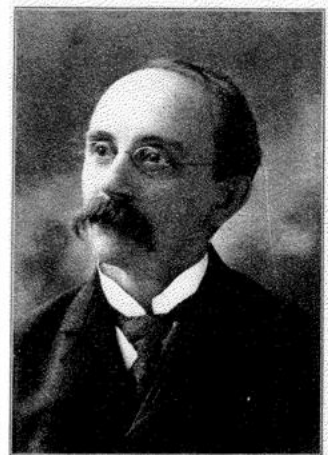
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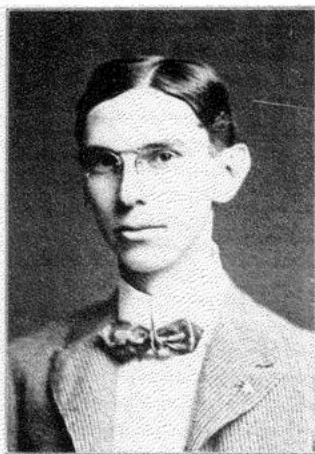
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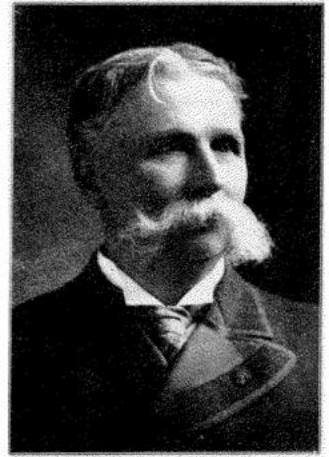
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Past Commander.



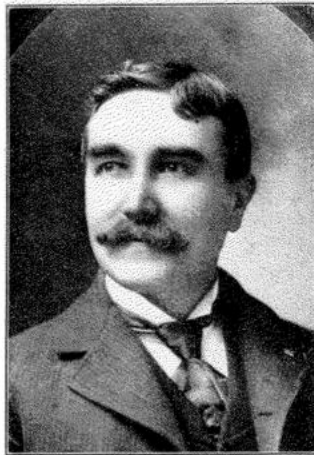
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Commander.



SIR KT. ASA S. BUSHNELL.
Governor of Ohio 1896-1900.



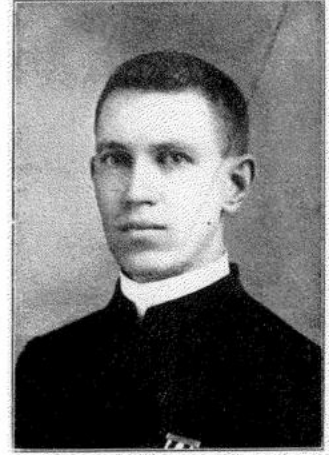
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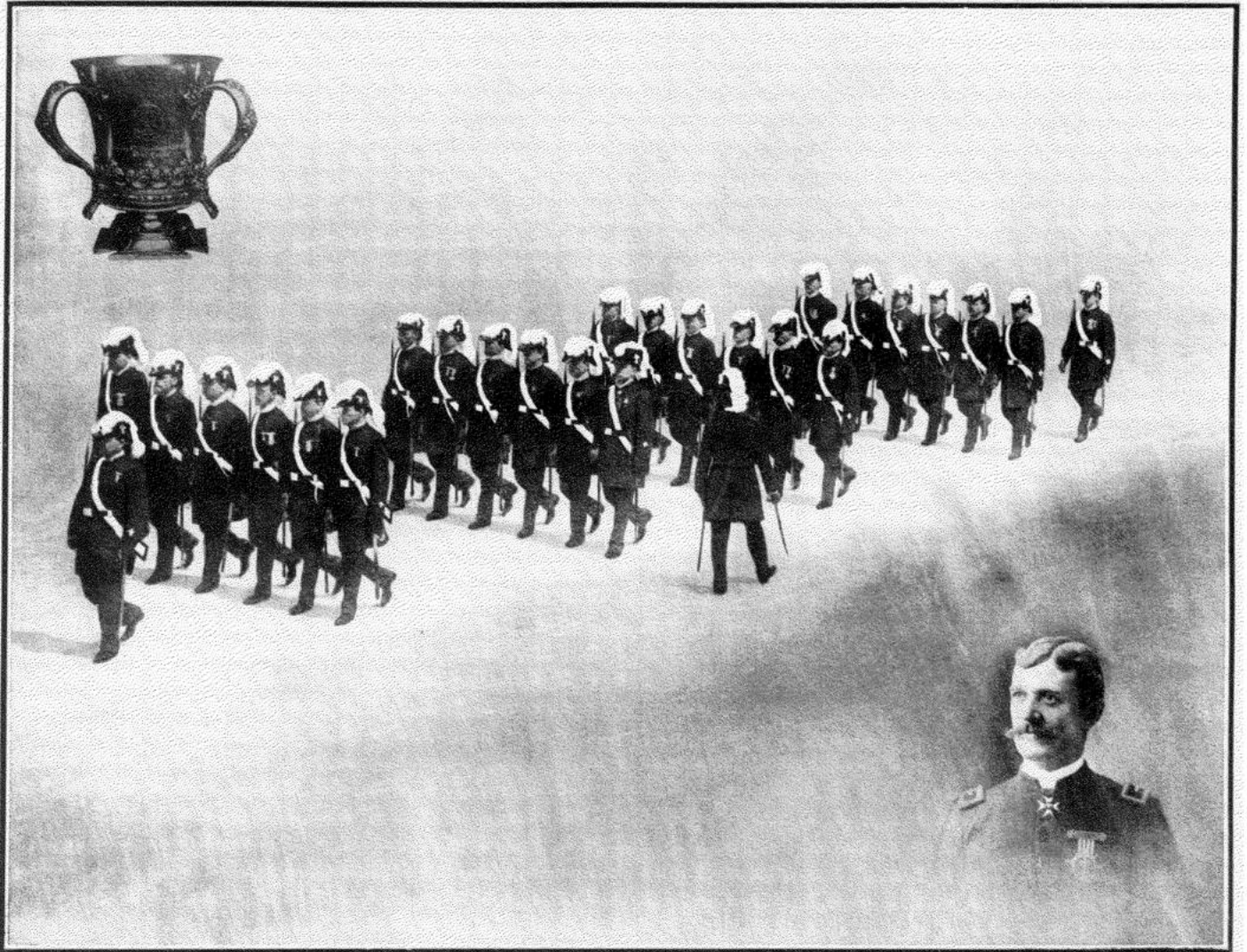
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1st Serg't, Dr. Frank Ward.

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D. M. Mills.
L. F. Hobart.
E. M. Lawton.
W. J. Graf.
E. J. Storey.

W. J. Wilson.
M. G. Overend.
G. H. Schlachter.
C. J. Skiff.
O. L. Graeser.
F. W. Hendley, M. D.

E. H. Kuhlman.
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A. A. Brown.
G. W. Atridge.
F. W. Ball.
E. Knopf.

G. A. Wiltsee.
L. E. Beyerlein.
G. B. Alms.
J. W. Paul.
F. A. Kelley.
H. H. Bausch.

2d Serg't, A. Stuart Harkness.
Captain, J. W. Montgomery.

SUBSTITUTES—J. M. Allen, W. Morton, J. L. Groves, W. H. Stephan.

OHIO--DRILL CORPS OF HANSELMANN COMMANDERY NO. 16, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF CINCINNATI.
TROPHY PRIZE WINNERS, TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE, LOUISVILLE, KY., AUGUST, 1901.



EM. SIR JAMES W. MONTGOMERY.
Commander and Captain of Drill Corps.



SIR KT. LOWELL F. HOBART.
Generalissimo.



SIR KT. AD. R. ROLL.
Senior Warden.



SIR KT. GEORGE AYARS WILTSEE.
Junior Warden.



EM. SIR HENRY E. DECKEBACH.
Commander 1891-92.



EM. SIR JOHN H. GIBSON.
Commander 1894-95; Grand Standard
Bearer.



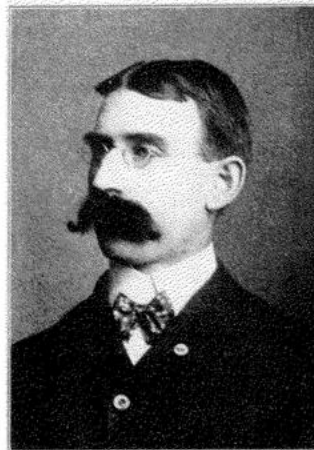
EM. SIR FRANK W. HENDLEY, M. D.
Commander 1899-1900; Assistant Prelate.



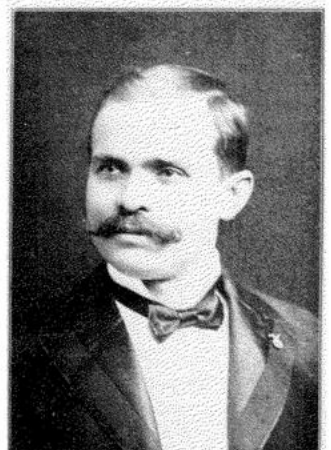
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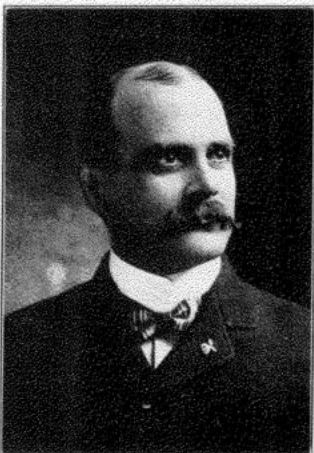
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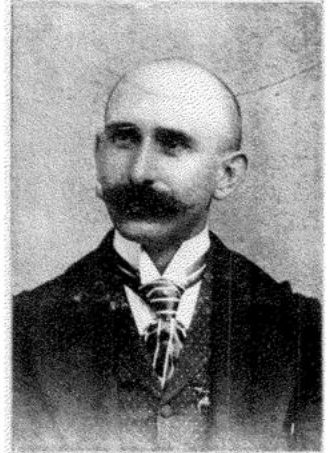
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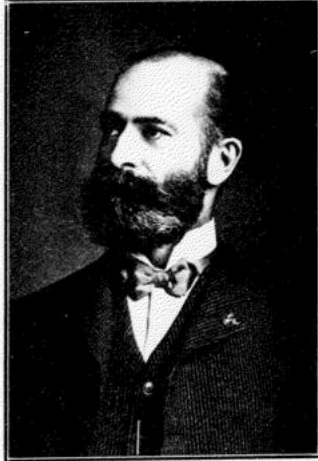


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OHIO-HANSELMANN COMMANDERY NO. 16, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, CINCINNATI.



SIR KT. THOMAS J. DUNCAN.



SIR KT. ALFRED T. ROEVER.



SIR KT. WILLIAM H. CURNAYN.



SIR KT. GEORGE W. GALBRAITH.



SIR KT. AUGUST FERGER.



SIR KT. STEPHEN HAUSER, JR.



SIR KT. JOSEPH R. KREIDLER.



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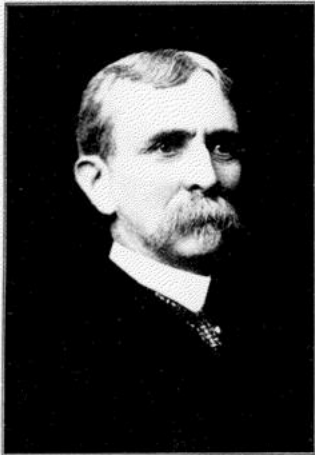
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SIR KT. HARVEY HAMMER.



SIR KT. CARL F. BURGER.



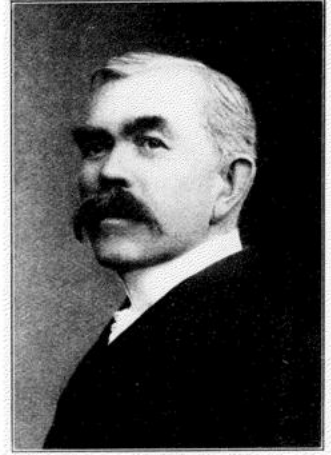
EM. SIR ROBERT S. WADDELL.
Commander.



EM. SIR CHARLES B. MELISH.
Captain General; Commander 1892-93.



EM. SIR GEORGE W. FELS, M. D.
Commander 1899-1900.



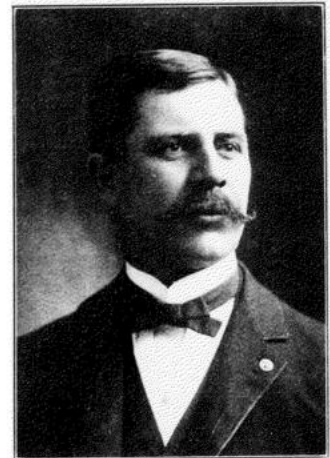
EM. SIR GEORGE F. BELDEN.
Commander 1900-01.



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM B. MELISH.
Commander (under dispensation); Past Grand Com-
mander; Grand Captain General Grand
Encampment, U. S. A.



EM. SIR THOMAS KITE
Commander 1893-94; Grand Generalissimo.



SIR KT. OSCAR F. BARRETT.



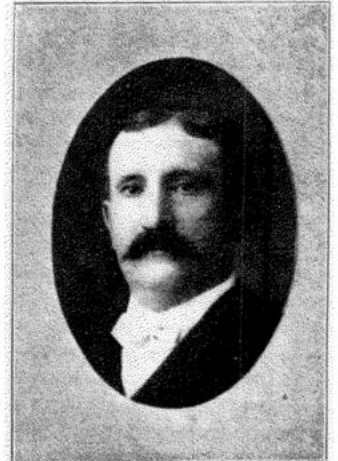
EM. SIR FRANK R. CROSS.
Commander Mt. Vernon Commandery
No. 1—Columbus.



SIR KT. E. H. ARCHER.
Generalissimo Mt. Vernon Commandery
No. 1—Columbus.



SIR KT. F. O. SCHOEDINGER.
Senior Warden Mt. Vernon Commandery
No. 1—Columbus.



EM. SIR LEWIS P. SCHIAUS.
Past Commander St. Luke's Commandery
No. 34—Newark.



H. EM. SIR ARTHUR B. FOSTER.
Past Commander Oriental Commandery No. 12;
Grand Commander 1900-01—Cleveland.

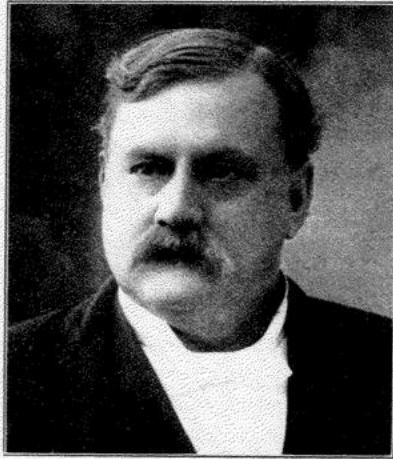


EM. SIR JOHN M. MILLS.
Shawnee Commandery No. 14; Grand Prelate—
Lima.



EM. SIR FREDERICK LYMAN GEDDES.
Past Commander Toledo Commandery No. 7;
Grand Junior Warden—Toledo.

OHIO—COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR: MT. VERNON NO. 1, COLUMBUS; TOLEDO NO. 7, TOLEDO; ORIENTAL NO. 12, CLEVELAND; SHAWNEE NO. 14 LIMA; ST. LUKES NO. 34 NEWARK.



R. EM. SIR DeFOREST DeFRANCIS LEACH.
Grand Recorder; Past Grand Commander; Past Commander Oklahoma
Commandery No. 2—Oklahoma City.

OKLAHOMA—GRAND RECORDER.

The Order of the Temple in Oklahoma.

By
DeForest Leach
Grand Recorder
and Past Grand Com-
mander of the
Grand Commandery
of Oklahoma.

THE Order was instituted in this Territory on February 10, 1896. On this day the representatives of Guthrie Commandery No. 1 of Guthrie, Oklahoma Territory, Oklahoma Commandery No. 2 of Oklahoma City, O. T., Ascension Commandery No. 3, of El Reno, O. T., together with other Sir Knights entitled to participate with them in the organization of the Grand Commandery assembled in the Asylum of Guthrie Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, at Guthrie, O. T., Sir Knight Cassius McDonald Barnes, Past Eminent Commander Guthrie Commandery No. 1, proxy for the Most Eminent Grand Master. W. LaRue Thomas by virtue of the warrant took the East and announced the first business, the election of a Recorder *pro tempore*. Sir Knight Harper Samuel Cunningham Past Eminent Commander Askelon Commandery No. 6, Knights Templar Jurisdiction of Kansas was duly elected *pro tempore*.

The Most Eminent Grand Master directed the Recorder to read the warrant of authority for the organization of the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma, together with the correspondence connected therewith, which was accordingly done as follows:

The Grand Encampment of the United States,
Knights Templar,
Office of the Most Excellent Grand Master,
Maysville, Ky., November 8, 1895.

To All True and Courteous Knights Templar, Greeting:

WHEREAS, Application has been made to me as Grand

Master of Knights Templar in the United States by three Commanderies of Knights Templar, to-wit, Guthrie Commandery No. 1, Oklahoma Commandery No. 2, and Ascension No. 3, stationed in the Territory of Oklahoma, to be constituted as a Grand Commandery in and for said Territory;

Now, therefore, I. W. LaRue Thomas, Grand Master, by authority of the power in me vested do issue this, my warrant therefor, and reposing special confidence in the integrity, zeal and knowledge of our Eminent Sir Knight C. M. Barnes, Past Commander of Guthrie Commandery No. 1, in the aforementioned Territory, do appoint and constitute him my proxy for me and in my name as Grand Master to summons or otherwise meet at such time and place in said Territory as may be convenient, such Knights Templar as may be entitled to be present and then to fully organize a Grand Commandery for the Territory of Oklahoma, in accordance with the constitution and digest of the Grand Encampment, preside over the election of and install its officers. Our said proxy will make due return to me of this warrant and a copy of his proceedings had hereunder. Also a copy of the same to our Very Eminent Grand Recorder Sir Knight Wm. H. Mayo, at St. Louis, Mo.

Given under my hand and seal this November 8, 1895.

W. LARUE THOMAS, Grand Master.

After the reading of the above correspondence the following Committee on Credentials was appointed:

Sir Knight DeForest D. Leach, Oklahoma No. 2.
Sir Knight William D. Spencer, Guthrie No. 1.
Sir Knight Otto Albert Shuttee, Ascension No. 3.

Thereupon the following Committee on Constitution, Rules and Edicts was selected, to-wit:

Sir Knight C. M. Barnes, Guthrie No. 1.
Sir Knight Luke Ellison, Oklahoma No. 2.
Sir Knight Angus G. Crockett, Ascension No. 3.
Sir Knight August John Spengle, Guthrie No. 1.

The Committee on Credentials made the following report, which was adopted and the committee discharged, to-wit:

Guthrie, O. T., February 10, 1896.

To the Grand Commandery:

We your Committee on Credentials respectfully report the following Sir Knights entitled in the creating the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma: Sir Knight Cassius McDonald Barnes, Guthrie Commandery No. 1; Sir Knight Charles Archibald Morris, Guthrie Commandery No. 1; Sir Knight Harper Samuel Cunningham, Guthrie Commandery No. 1; Sir Knight Henry Harrison Moose, Oklahoma Commandery No. 2; Sir Knight DeForest DeFrancis Leach, Oklahoma Commandery No. 2; Sir Knight Benjamin Eastburn Benus, Oklahoma Commandery No. 2; Sir Knight John Grammer Tannor, Oklahoma Commandery No. 2; Sir Knight Otto Albert Shuttee, Ascension Commandery No. 3; Sir Knight August John Spengle, Guthrie Commandery No. 1; Sir Knight George William Spencer, Oklahoma Commandery No. 2; Sir Knight Frank G. White, Ascension Commandery No. 3; Sir Knight Edward Sylvester Donnelly, Guthrie Commandery No. 1; Sir Knight Fred Stanley Goodrich, Oklahoma Commandery No. 2; Sir Knight Julius Caesar Cross, Ascension Commandery No. 3; Sir Knight William Spear Spencer, Guthrie Commandery No. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

D. D. LEACH,
W. S. SPENCER,
O. A. SHUTTEE.

The Most Eminent Grand Master then stated the next order of business to be the election of officers and ordered the ballot taken for the various offices in the order of their rank, which was done according to Templar law and resulted as

follows: Sir Knight Cassius McDonald Barnes, Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir Knight DeForest DeFrancis Leach, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Knight Otto Albert Shuttee, Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir Knight William Spear Spencer, Eminent Grand Captain General; Sir Knight Benjamin Eastburn Benus, Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir Knight Julius Caesar Cross, Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir Knight Harper Samuel Cunningham, Eminent Grand Recorder; Sir Knight Luke Ellison, Eminent Grand Treasurer; Sir Knight Angus G. Crockett, Eminent Grand Prelate; Sir Knight Edward Sylvester Donnelly, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer; Sir Knight Archibald Morris, Eminent Grand Warden.

The above officers having been elected they were all duly installed by Most Eminent Grand Master with the exception of the Right Eminent Grand Commander.

Sir Knight Leach was appointed proxy for the Most Eminent Grand Master to install Sir Knight Cassius McDonald Barnes as Right Eminent Grand Commander, which was done according to the laws and customs of Templar Masonry and the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma fully organized in accordance with the constitution and digest of the Grand Encampment, after which the Right Eminent Grand Commander C. M. Barnes delivered an address full of advice and appropriate in all its sayings, which was duly appreciated and ordered printed in proceedings.

The Committee on Constitution, Rules, and Edicts, reported, which report was adopted and committee discharged, thus creating and establishing the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Oklahoma. The Grand Commandery of Oklahoma was closed in form.

At the time of the organization the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma had 131 members.

At the Annual Conclave at El Reno, on February 1, 1897, St. John's Commandery No. 4, Knights Templar of Stillwater, O. T., was chartered at Annual Conclave February 11, 1899. Dispensation was granted Perry Commandery and

chartered at Annual Conclave April 10, 1900. At Annual Conclave April 10, 1900, a dispensation was granted Cyrene Commandery at Kingfisher, O. T. At Annual Conclave, April 9, 1901, charter was granted Cyrene Commandery No. 6, also charter to Ponca Commandery No. 7 at Ponca, O. T. We now have 292 members. Templar Masonry is flourishing in this jurisdiction and peace and harmony prevails.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

- R. E. Sir Knight Julius Caesar Cross, Jr., Kingfisher, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight Henry Eddy Hand, Stillwater, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight Enoch Moulton Bamford, Guthrie, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Charles Archibald Morris, Perry, Grand Captain General

- E. Sir Knight George Washington Murphy, Stillwater, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight William Jay Pettee, Oklahoma City, Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Edmund D. Murdaugh, Oklahoma City, Grand Prelate.
- E. Sir Knight William Spear Spencer, Guthrie, Grand Treasurer.
- E. Sir Knight DeForest DeFrancis Leach, Oklahoma City, Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight John C. Hughes, Pawnee, Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Henry M. Hand, Stillwater, Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight George A. Masters, Perry, Warder.
- E. Sir Knight Frank Hindman, Guthrie, Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

- Cassius M. Barnes, Guthrie.
- Otto A. Shuttee, El Reno.
- DeForest DeF. Leach, Okla. City.
- William S. Spencer, Guthrie.
- Julius C. Cross, Kingfisher.
- Harper S. Cunningham, Guthrie.

Oklahoma Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
52	1	GUTHRIE	Guthrie	John R. Hamill	Enoch M. Bamford
67	2	OKLAHOMA	Oklahoma City	Edwin DeBarr	George William Spencer
32	3	ASCENSION	El Reno	Angus G. Crockett	Charles Alonzo Newman
19	4	SAINT JOHN'S	Stillwater	Henry Maynard Hand	Samuel Miller
27	5	PEBBY	Perry	Charles A. Morris	James Milo Taylor
16	6	CYBENE	Kingfisher	John M. Splece	Julius C. Cross
79	7	PAWNEE	Pawnee	John C. Hughes	George M. Weems
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R. EM. SIR. WILLIAM THOMAS WRIGHT.
Grand Commander; Past Commander Eastern Oregon Commandery No. 6
—Union.



R. EM. SIR. J. M. HODSON.
Chairman Committee on Correspondence; Past Grand Commander—
Portland.

OREGON—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in Oregon.

By
**John Milton
Dodson,**
Past Grand Command-
er of the
Grand Commandery
of Oregon.

THE first action looking toward the organization of Templar Masonry, on the North Pacific Coast, was taken in 1859. Sir Armory Holbrook, Sir John C. Ainsworth, Sir R. R. Thompson, Sir David Rutledge, and Sir James R. Bayley. All the Knights Templar residing in Oregon, applied to Most Eminent Grand Master B. B. French for an emergent dispensation, to confer the degrees upon four others, in order to enable them to regularly organize with the constitutional number. At that time it required six weeks for a letter to go from Portland, Oregon, to Washington, D. C., and on account of several informalities and extended correspondence, the dispensation was not received, until May, 1860, when immediate action was had, degrees conferred upon a sufficient number, a regular dispensation obtained and organization effected on September 10, 1860. Owing to the sparse population and conditions incident to pioneer days, Templary did not flourish, but soon became dormant and remained so until December 10, 1875, when by special dispensation Sir J. F. Robinson, Sir F. J. Babcock, and Sir R. P. Earhart were authorized to confer the degrees upon ten Royal Arch Masons. This was promptly done, and a regular dispensation received from Most Eminent Jos. H. Hopkins, February 10, 1876. A charter was obtained for Oregon Commandery No. 1, of Portland, October 6, 1877. Ivanhoe No. 2 of Eugene, was chartered by the Grand Encampment, August 23, 1883. Temple No. 3, of Albany, was chartered by the Grand Encampment, September 23, 1886. The preliminary steps for the organization of a Grand Commandery were

taken by Temple No. 3, January 13, 1887, and endorsed by Oregon No. 1, February 8, 1887, and Ivanhoe No. 2, February 7, 1887, and upon February 10, 1887, a convention of delegates from the three Commanderies met in Albany, adopted a constitution and applied for a warrant to organize the Grand Commandery of Oregon, which was granted by Sir Chas. Roome, Most Eminent Grand Master, March 10, 1887, and the Grand Commandery was duly organized by Sir Irving W. Pratt, proxy for the Most Eminent Grand Master, on April 13, 1887, and the First Annual Conclave was held in the city of Portland, July 6, 1887.

Malta No. 4, of Ashland, was chartered October 28, 1890; DeMolay No. 5, of Salem, October 12, 1893; Eastern Oregon No. 6, of LaGrande, October 9, 1894, and at the Grand Conclave in 1900, a Commandery was authorized to be located in the city of Pendleton. While no wonderful growth has been manifested the valiant and magnanimous orders are in a flourishing condition, numbering about 500 Sir Knights in the State of Oregon, and they confidently look forward to as rapid increase in numbers, as is consistent with proper selection and the natural development of their comparatively new Commonwealth.

Organized, 1887; number of Commanderies, 7; membership, 504.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight W. T. Wright, La Grande, Grand Commander.
V. E. Sir Knight F. E. Allen, Albany, Deputy Grand Commander.
E. Sir Knight L. N. Roney, Eugene, Grand Generalissimo.
E. Sir Knight George H. Hill, Portland, Grand Captain General.
E. Sir Knight F. C. Perrine, Salem, Grand Senior Warden.
E. Sir Knight D. C. Agler, Ashland, Grand Junior Warden.

E. Sir Knight B. G. Whitehouse, Portland, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight James F. Robinson, Eugene, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight F. J. Miller, Albany, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knight C. V. Cooper, Portland, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight A. M. Knapp, Portland, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight T. C. Taylor, Pendleton, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight F. S. Stanley, La Grande, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

James F. Robinson, 1887.	*Christopher Taylor, 1888.
*Rockey P. Earhart, 1889.	Ferdinand N. Shurtleff, 1890.
David F. Mason, 1891.	Silas M. Yoran, 1892.
John Milton Hodson, 1893.	Philip S. Malcolm, 1894.
B. E. Lippincott, 1895.	Robert S. Bean, 1896.
L. C. Marshall, 1897.	John B. Cleland, 1898.
Curtis B. Winn, 1899.	Frank A. Moore, 1900.

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Oregon Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

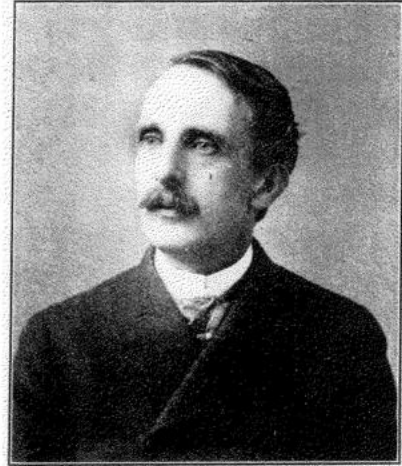
Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
186	1	OREGON	Portland	B. H. Nicoll	W. S. Macrum
64	2	IVANHOE	Eugene	D. A. Paine	Jas. F. Robinson
73	3	TEMPLE	Albany	E. J. Seeley	Joseph P. Gallbraith
50	4	MALTA	Ashland	Edw. D. Briggs	John R. Wick
73	5	DEMOLAY	Salem	A. B. Gillis	John A. Carson
37	6	EASTERN OREGON	La Grande	C. S. Dunphy	J. M. Berry
21	U. D.	PENDLETON	Pendleton	Robert Forster	W. E. Carter
504					



PENNSYLVANIA--MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA.



R. EM. SIR THOMAS F. PENMAN.
Grand Commander 1901-02--Scranton.



R. EM. SIR LEE STEWART SMITH.
Past Commander Allegheny No. 35; Grand Commander 1888; Grand
Standard Bearer Grand Encampment U. S. A.
--Pittsburg

PENNSYLVANIA--OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in Pennsylvania.

By
William W. Allen
Grand Recorder
and Past Grand Com-
mander of the
Grand Commandery
of Pennsylvania.

THE honor of having formed the first Grand Encampment is claimed by Pennsylvania. According to the oldest record in the possession of the Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania, Templarism existed in that State in 1794. The first Grand Encampment was instituted in Philadelphia, May 12, 1797, and a constitution was adopted May 19, 1797. Creigh in his History of the Knights Templar of the State of Pennsylvania, says: "Prior to the year 1797, four encampments were instituted in Pennsylvania, two in Philadelphia, the third in Harrisburg, and the fourth in Carlisle. The Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania from its organization, until the 16th day of February, 1857, believed that the general regulations of Ancient York Masons authorized the conferring of the orders of Christian Knighthood, under the sanction of a charter or warrant of a lodge. But at the Grand Communication referred to, they resolved "that Ancient Masonry consists of but three degrees, viz., E. A., F. C., and M. M., including the degrees of the Holy Royal Arch and this Grand Lodge claims no jurisdiction beyond the limits of Ancient Masonry." By this action, Templarism, as a component part of Masonry and in accordance with Masonic usage in Pennsylvania, were forever divorced, which happily eventuated in the union of all the subordinate Commanderies in Pennsylvania, under the Right Eminent Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, which acknowledged as its supreme head the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States.

The convention, however, which met on the 12th day of May, 1797, was composed of sixteen representatives, four from each of the encampments, who met to deliberate upon the expediency of organizing a Grand Encampment, as none had previously existed in America. After mature deliberation, and anticipating the glorious results which would necessarily ensue from having a controlling head, whereby a more perfect union could be effected, on the 19th day of May, 1797, was adopted a constitution to govern the Knights Templar of Pennsylvania. Thus in the very infancy of our republic, Pennsylvania inaugurated the system of each State having within its limits a Grand Encampment and thereby demonstrating to the world the undeniable fact, that as civilization advances and new States are formed Masonry and Templarism go hand in hand with the early settlers, and, amid their trials, privations and dangers, prove to them a guardian angel.

Pennsylvania, at the date of the organization of the Grand Encampment (1797) could only boast of a constitutional existence of ten years, yet she had already established, besides her many lodges and chapters, two encampments in Philadelphia, one in Harrisburg, and one in Carlisle. It is a matter of deep regret to the Fraternity, that in the destruction of the Masonic Hall in Philadelphia by fire in 1803, all our Templar's records were destroyed and no vestige remained except the rolls of the members of the Encampments Nos. 1 and 2.

Prior to the 12th day of April, 1854, the Knights Templar of Pennsylvania were governed by subordinate encampments, their charters emanating respectively either from the General Grand Encampment of the United States or existing

by authority of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The State was considered open territory, no Grand Encampment having existed since June, 1824, although St. John's No. 4 (of Philadelphia), preserved her organization.

Under the General Grand Encampment there existed by charter, Pittsburg Encampment No. 1, Jacques DeMolay (of Washington) No. 2, and St. Omer's (of Uniontown, but now of Brownsville) No. 3, and under dispensation, Hubbard Commandery (of Waynesburg).

Under the Right Worthy Grand Lodge there were St. John's Encampment No. 4 deriving her charter from the Grand Encampment of 1814, Philadelphia Encampment No. 5, Union Encampment (of Philadelphia) No. 6, and DeMolay (of Reading) No. 7.

The difficulties arose on a question of jurisdiction, the former claiming that the General Grand Encampment of the United States took possession of the State of Pennsylvania as early as 1826, when it organized Holy and Undivided Trinity Encampment at Harrisburg, November 22, 1826, while the latter believed that the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania is the source of all Masonic authority within her geographical limits. Those encampments acting under authority of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge were sustained by the following facts; that until of very late years Templar encampments were held under Blue Lodge warrants. In Ireland, although the Grand Encampment was formed about 1818, yet several encampments continued to work under their old lodge warrants. This was also the case in Scotland, Canada, etc., etc. All encampments thus constituted in Europe were considered legal. Hence arose the difficulties between the Templars of Pennsylvania.

Thus believing, those under the General Grand Encampment of the United States applied to the Most Eminent Sir Wm. B. Hubbard, General Grand Master, who issued a warrant authorizing the formation of a Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania. Under this authority a convention assembled

at Brownsville, Fayette county, on the 12th day of April, 1854, A. O., 736, and organized the present Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, subordinate to the Grand Encampment of United States.

On the other hand the subordinate encampments recognizing the authority of the Grand Lodge met in Philadelphia in convention, by delegates, on May 10, 1854, A. O., 736, and organized a Grand Encampment. After the adoption of a constitution and the election and installation of Grand Officers, the Grand Recorder was instructed to inform the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania that the Pennsylvania Grand Encampment of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders, was regularly organized.

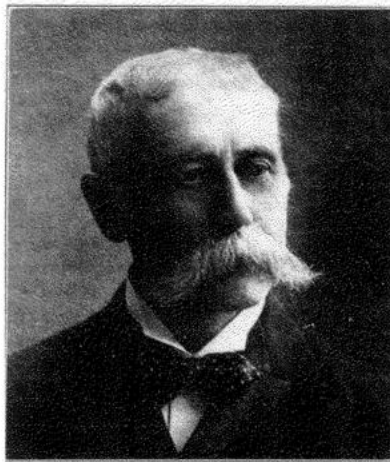
Two rival and powerful bodies thus existing, battling for the same great principles, the principles of charity and hospitality, for the accomplishment of which Knights Templar are solemnly pledged, to protect and defend innocent maidens, destitute widows, helpless orphans, and the Christian religion—these rival Grand Encampments unfurl their respective banners; a war ensues, not, however, a war of sanguinary strife, of jealous anxieties, of implacable hatred, of uncompromising hostility, but one in which the thinking principles, the intellectual powers are brought into requisition. The question is calmly reviewed by both Grand Encampments and the amount of good considered which would be accomplished by a union in acts of charity and pure beneficence. Committees of Conference are appointed by both bodies and after a mutual exchange of opinions, reconciliation follows, past feelings are all obliterated, forgiveness and oblivion are stamped upon the heart of every Templar, the supremacy of the General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States is acknowledged and the knights meet around the sacred Delta, and give praise to the founder of the Christian religion—Immanuel, God with us.



EM. SIR REV. THOMAS N. BOYLE,
D. D., LL. D.
Grand Prelate—Pittsburg.



EM. SIR FREDERICK L. BROWN.
Grand Warder; Past Commander Coeur de Lion
Commandery No. 17—Scranton.



EM. SIR WILLIAM W. ALLEN.
Grand Recorder; Grand Commander 1889
—Philadelphia.



EM. SIR JOHN JAY GILROY.
Grand Treasurer—Philadelphia.



EM. SIR FREDERICK W. KOEHLER.
Grand Marshal—Sharon.

PENNSYLVANIA—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Thomas F. Penman, Scranton, Grand Commander.
V. E. Sir Knight Ezra S. Bartlett, Philadelphia, Deputy Grand Commander.
E. Sir Knight and Rev. Charles M. Stock, Hanover, Grand Generalissimo.
E. Sir Knight Wilson I. Fleming, Bellefonte, Grand Captain General.
E. Sir Knight William J. Diehl, Pittsburg, Grand Senior Warden.
E. Sir Knight William M. Donaldson, Harrisburg, Grand Junior Warden.
E. Sir Knight and Rev. Thomas N. Boyle, Grafton, Grand Prelate.
E. Sir Knight John Jay Gilroy, Philadelphia, Grand Treasurer.
E. Sir Knight William W. Allen, Philadelphia, Grand Recorder
E. Sir Knight James W. Platt, Tunkhannock, Grand Standard Bearer.
E. Sir Knight William S. Semple, Easton, Grand Sword Bearer.
E. Sir Knight Frederick L. Brown, Scranton, Grand Warden.
E. Sir Knight Joseph L. Mann, Philadelphia, Grand Captain of the Guard.
E. Sir Knight Frederick W. Koehler, Sharon, Grand Marshall.
E. Sir Knight A. Howard Thomas, Philadelphia, Grand Herald.

CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

V. E. Sir Knight Lee S. Smith, Pittsburg.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Wm. W. Wilson.
*Benjamin Parke.
*A. Jordan Swartz.
*Wm. H. Allen.
*Christian F. Knapp.
*John A. Wright.
*Edmund H. Turner.
*H. Stanley Goodwin.
*Wm. H. Strickland.
Robert Pitcairn.
*Jer. L. Hutchison.
John Vallerchamp.
James H. Hopkins.
Henry B. McKean.
Charles M. Howell.
*Geter C. Shidle.
*Grant Weidman.
*John H. Dusenbury.
*Chas. H. Kingston.
*A. J. Kauffman.
*William H. Egle.
Samuel B. Dick.
John P. S. Gobin.
D. W. C. Carroll.
G. W. Kendrick, Jr.
B. Frank Breneman.
*Chas. W. Batchelor.
*Edwin G. Martin.
Jos. Alexander, Jr.
George S. Graham.
Lee S. Smith.
William W. Allen.
Torrence C. Hipple.
*John J. Wadsworth.
*Jos. S. Wright.
James H. Coddling.
*Chas. C. Baer.
Irving P. Wanger.
Edward B. Spencer.
Samuel S. Yohe.
Harry M. Van Zandt.
Henry H. Kuhn.
James B. Youngson.
Adam H. Schmehl.
Thomas F. Penman.

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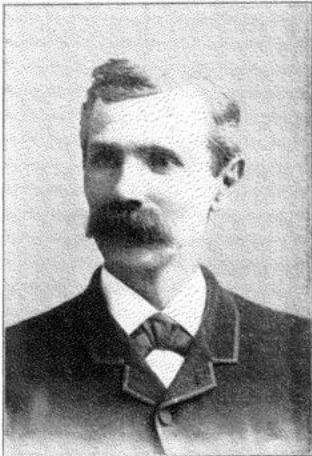
SIR KT. CHARLES A. HEDGES.
Generalissimo.



SIR KT. HENRY L. DIXON.
Captain General.



EM. SIR WILLIAM A. EARLY.
Commander: The youngest Commander in the
history of the Commandery.



SIR KT. GEORGE HEAPS.
Treasurer.



SIR KT. DAVID M. KINZER.
Recorder.

Pennsylvania Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
971	1	PITTSBURG	Pittsburg	Charles A. Hedges	David M. Kinzer
464	2	PHILADELPHIA	Philadelphia	A. Howard Thomas	Samuel I. Given
62	3	JACQUES DE MOLAY	Washington	Wilfred Cameron	Warren A. MacKay
528	4	ST. JOHN'S	Philadelphia	George J. Schaefer	George W. Creamer
103	7	ST. OMER	Brownsville	Charles L. Brevard	Elgy Chamberlain
110	8	ST. JOHN'S	Carlisle	Louis C. Leshner	Chas. W. Strohm
170	9	DEMOLAY	Reading	George H. Mayer	Albert R. Hoover
270	10	MOUNTAIN	Altoona	Samuel B. Beattie	Timothy Davis
194	11	PILGRIM	Harrisburg	Arthur D. Bacon	Alex. W. Bergtresser
61	12	CRUSADE	Bloomsburg	Charles K. Francis	C. F. Knapp
233	13	LANCASTER	Lancaster	William H. Bitner	Joshua L. Lyte
77	14	PALESTINE	Carbondale	Julius P. A. Tingley	Henry B. Wilbur
97	15	JERUSALEM	Phoenixville	John C. Webb	Edward T. Plush
149	16	NORTHERN	Towanda	Thomas M. Stalford	Jas. H. Coddling
139	17	COEUR DE LION	Scranton	Walter L. Henwood	Edward L. Buck
187	18	KEDBON	Greensburg	George Sowash	John S. Sell
213	19	HUGH DE PAYENS	Easton	James R. Zearfoss	George S. Siegert
216	20	ALLEN	Allentown	Lewis F. Knecht	Henry C. Wagner
95	21	YORK	York	George W. Kable	David A. Minnich
201	22	BALDWIN II.	Williamsport	Dietrick Lamade	Wm. Randall Prior
105	23	PACKER	Mauch Chunk	Ira G. Ross	Laird H. Barber
93	24	HERMIT	Lebanon	D. P. Gerberich	Chas. D. Weirick
91	25	NORTHWESTERN	Meadville	Alfred G. Church	Winfield S. Rose
73	26	LEWISTOWN	Lewiston	Jesse R. Brown	Wm. Fox Eckbert, Jr.
35	27	GREAT BEND	Great Bend	Thomas D. Hutchings	Thos. Summerton
67	28	TYAGAGHTON	Wellsboro	Howard F. Marsh	Henry E. Raesly
305	29	KADOSH	Philadelphia	Jerome L. Reeser	A. C. Ireland
210	30	MOUNT OLIVET	Erie	Cassius L. Baker	Arthur M. Blinn
74	31	IVANHOE	Mahanoy	Augustus Weber	I. Y. Sollenberger
255	32	HUTCHINSON	Norristown	Wm. C. Stritzinger	Thaddeus S. Adle
73	33	CONSTANS	Bellefonte	Harry Keller	W. Homer Crissman
73	34	CYRENE	Columbia	John R. Bucher	John W. Russell
456	35	ALLEGHENY	Allegheny	Samuel A. Rogers	William A. Meloney
880	36	MARY	Philadelphia	Howard March	Alexander McCune
85	37	CALVARY	Danville	Theodore Chester	J. W. Farnsworth
43	38	ROSE CROIX	Titusville	Reuben E. Taft	John S. Bradley
55	39	PRINCE OF PEACE	Ashland	Franklin P. Weiser	Edwin C. Price
195	40	KNAPP	Ridgway	Edward C. Davidson	George L. McCracken

Pennsylvania Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901--Continued.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
105	41	CONSTANTINE	Pottsville	G. C. Diefenderfer	Henry P. Lauer
344	42	READING	Reading	James W. Yocum	J. B. Renninger
116	43	TALBOT	Oil City	George T. Spettigue	Henry C. Golasborough
148	44	FRANKLIN	Franklin	Gustine S. White	Charles D. Elliott
219	45	DIEU LE VEUT	Wilkesbarre	William H. Reichard	D. O. McCollum
86	46	HOSPITALIER	Lock Haven	Simon Seid	John Noble
466	47	ST. ALBAN	Philadelphia	Joseph C. Egbert	James McGarvey
642	48	TANCBED	Pittsburg	Wm. C. Thompson	John T. Fox
138	49	UNIONTOWN	Uniontown	John A. Armstrong	Luke H. Frasher
94	50	REBECCA	Sharon	Irvine J. Hyde	John Murchie
67	51	CLARENCE	Corry	Ray F. Livermore	Orlando P. Eaton
489	53	CORINTHIAN	Philadelphia	Richard C. Ballinger	Charles Cary
153	54	KENSINGTON	Philadelphia	William Rowen	John F. Rau
43	55	CENTENNIAL	Coatesville	Harry F. Umsted	Ezra P. Dickinson
51	56	CONTINENTAL	Chambersburg	James J. Pollard	N. B. Heefner
63	57	WYOMING VALLEY	Pittston	Oscar M. Davenport	T. Wilbur Kyte
222	58	TRINITY	Bradford	Frank P. Hazelton	Walter D. Singleton
249	59	ASCALON	Pittsburg	Theodore C. Rebele	Robert H. McCreery
60	60	TEMPLE	Tunkhannock	Ruel S. Billings	Bradley S. Lewis
103	61	ORIENTAL	Johnstown	Charles R. Glock	Charles C. Wehn
119	62	LAWRENCE	New Castle	Harry L. Dunlap	Leonard M. Uber
93	63	WARREN	Warren	S. S. Bryner	Frank M. Knapp
44	64	CANTON	Canton	John A. Innes	William C. Crippen
66	65	HUNTINGDON	Huntingdon	Charles T. Derick	James R. Patton
139	66	CHESTER	Chester	Samuel W. Mitchell	William H. Call
131	67	MT. CALVARY	Greenville	Harry D. West	John D. Cutler
106	68	MELITA	Scranton	Fred Warner	Alton F. Kizer
95	69	POTTER	Coudersport	Alonzo R. Moore	Nelson H. Goodsell
184	70	PENNSYLVANIA	Philadelphia	Wm. H. E. Marter	Harry M. Russell
87	71	NATIVITY	Pottstown	Benjamin F. Maguire	Newton S. Kinzer
186	72	DUQUESNE	Pittsburg	George S. Ward	William J. Carson
70	73	MOUNT VERNON	Hazleton	John W. Lewis	Hiram P. Kuntz
114	74	MOSHANNON	Phillipsburg	John E. Fryberger	Jas. H. Munson
36	75	GETHESEMANE	York	Phillip K. Devere	Samuel J. Rouse
57	76	ST. ANDREW'S	Susquehanna	William H. Langford	John G. Brewer
56	77	SHAMOKIN	Shamokin	David W. Heim	John B. Savidge
88	78	CHARTIERS	Carnegie	Carson L. Ruch	Harvey R. Bingham
51	79	GETTYSBURG	Gettysburg	George M. Walter	Daniel A. Skelly
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PENNSYLVANIA--MASONIC HOME, PHILADELPHIA.



EM. SIR JOHN H. OSTERTAG.
Commander Cyrene Commandery No.
34—Columbia.



EM. SIR JAMES R. ZEARFOSS.
Commander Hugh de Payens Com-
mandery No. 19—Easton.



EM. SIR MAX WM. SCHNEEBELI.
Past Commander Hugh de Payens Com-
mandery No. 19—Easton.



EM. SIR GEORGE H. MAYER.
Commander DeMolay Commandery No.
9—Reading.



RT. EM. SIR THOMAS F. PENMAN.
Past Commander Melita Commandery
No. 68; Grand Commander
1901-02—Scranton.



EM. SIR JOHN JAY GILROY.
Past Com. St. John's Commandery No. 4.
Grand Treas.—Philadelphia.



EM. SIR FREDERICK W. KOEHLER.
Commander Rebecca Commandery No.
50, Grand Marshal—Sharon.

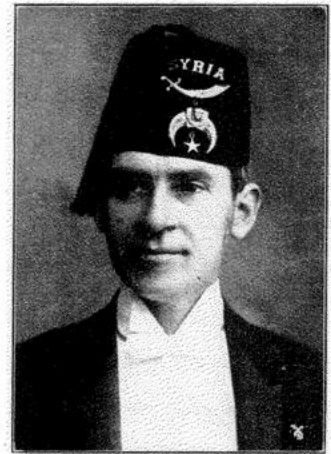


EM. SIR DAVID O. McCOLLUM.
Recorder, Past Com. Dieu Le Veut
Commandery No. 45—Wilkesbarre.

PENNSYLVANIA—COMMANDERIES: ST. JOHNS NO. 4, PHILADELPHIA; DeMOLAY NO. 9, READING; HUGH DE PAYENS NO. 19,
EASTON; DIEU LE VEUT NO. 45, WILKESBARRE; REBECCA NO. 50, SHARON; MELITA NO. 68 SCRANTON. (885)



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Past Commander; Grand Prelate.



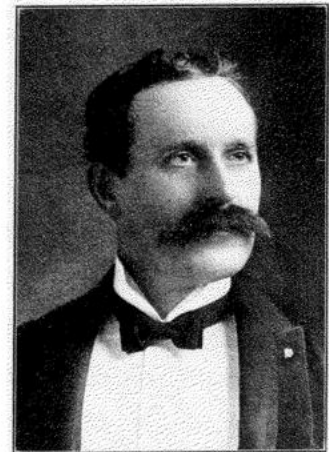
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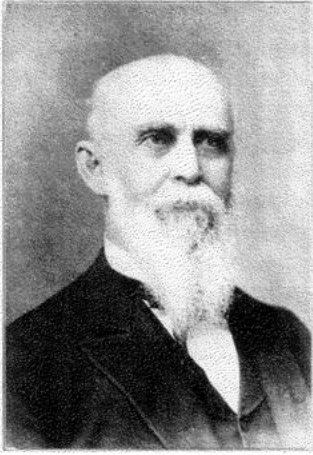
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Commander



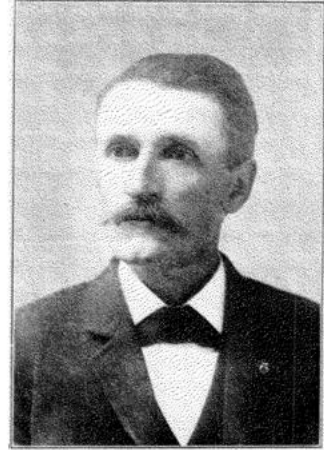
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Trustee.



EM. SIR JOHN H. ARMSTRONG.
Past Commander.



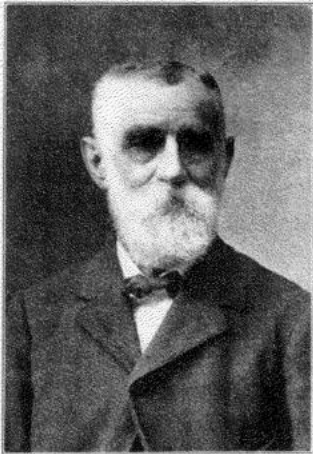
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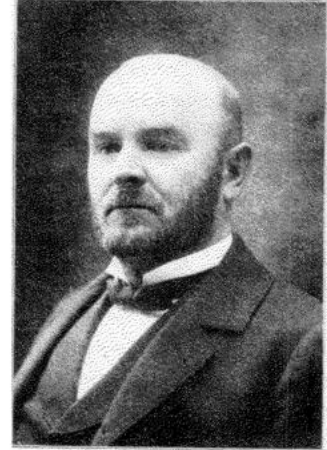
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Commander 1901.



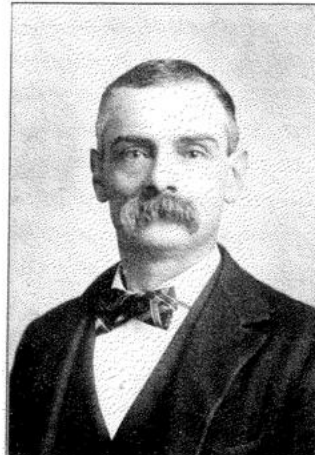
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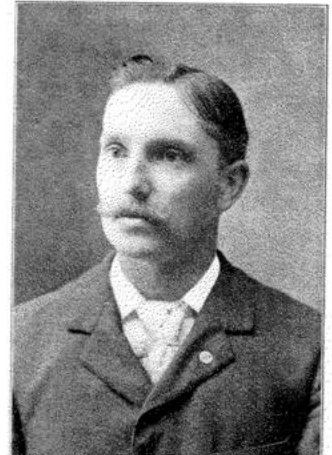
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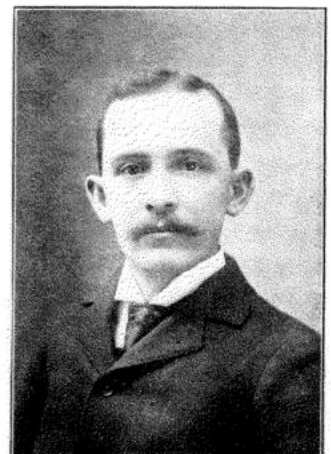
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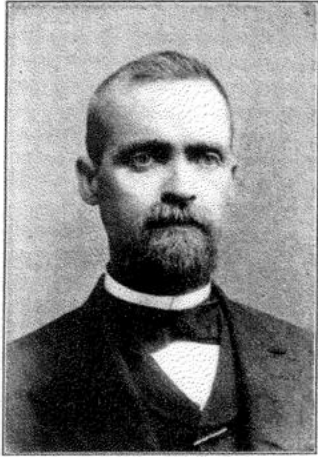
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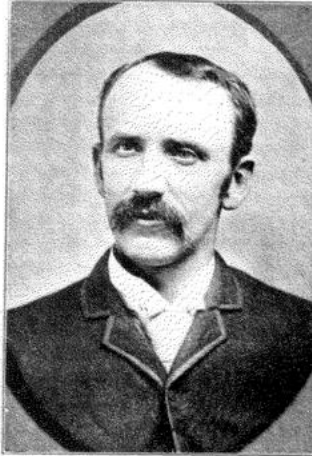
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SIR KT. WILLIAM G. DUNN.



SIR KT. A. C. HILEMAN.



R. EM. SIR MORRIS H. KELLY.
Grand Commander 1901-02; Past Commander Damascus Commandery
No. 10—Aberdeen.



Em. SIR EUGENE F. IRWIN.
Grand Standard Bearer 1901-02; Commander Dakota Commandery No. 1
—Deadwood.

**SOUTH DAKOTA—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: DAKOTA NO. 1,
DEADWOOD; DAMASCUS NO. 10 ABERDEEN.**

The Order of the Temple in South Dakota.

By
**George Atwood
Pettigrew,**
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of South Dakota.

THE history of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of South Dakota should properly be preceded by a statement of some of the obstacles that stood in the way of its rapid or successful growth. The warrant for its formation was issued February 22, 1884, by R. E. Withers, Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States. At this time the population of the Territory of Dakota did not exceed 160,000, and this was scattered over its entire length and breadth. There were only five Commanderies of Knights Templar in existence and they were located at the cities of Deadwood, Sioux Falls, Yankton, Bismarck, and Fargo. By the ordinary course of travel, from Deadwood to Bismarck was over one thousand miles, and when the Grand Commandery was organized at the city of Sioux Falls but one Commandery was located within five hundred miles of this city. At this time there were no cities with a population of four thousand. Under these circumstances it will be appreciated that the members of the Commanderies must have been true and valiant knights when they petitioned to be constituted into a Grand Commandery in the Territory of Dakota. Sir Knight, the Very Eminent Theodore S. Parvin, of Iowa City, Iowa, who had been appointed by the Grand Master to organize a Grand Commandery in the Territory met the officers and representatives of Deadwood Commandery No. 1; Cyrene Commandery No. 2, of Sioux Falls; DeMolay Commandery No. 3, of Yankton; and Fargo Commandery No. 5, of Fargo, in convention at the city of Sioux Falls, on May 14, 1884. The Committee on Credentials reported that the fol-

lowing Sir Knights were present, as the representatives of their respective Commanderies, and entitled to seats in the convention, viz.:

Dakota Commandery No. 1, Deadwood.—Sir Samuel Roy, Eminent Commander.

Cyrene Commandery No. 2, Sioux Falls.—Sir William D. Stites, Eminent Commander; Sir Wm. T. Doolittle, Sir B. F. Campbell.

DeMolay Commandery No. 3, Yankton.—Sir L. B. French, Eminent Commander; Sir D. Frank Etter, Sir L. D. Parmer.

Tancred Commandery No. 4, Bismarck.—Not represented.

Fargo Commandery No. 5, Fargo.—Sir M. A. Brewer, Eminent Commander.

A resolution was then passed that it was for the interests of the Commanderies of Knights Templar in the Territory of Dakota that a Grand Commandery be formed, and that a committee be appointed to draft a code of statutes and regulations for the government and use of the Grand Commandery. Sir Knights Parmer, Roy and Brewer were appointed as such committee and reported recommending the adoption of the statutes, rules, and regulations, prescribed by the Grand Commandery of the State of Iowa in 1882; with three amendments of minor importance, all of which were appended to and made a part of the report; and also recommended that the name and style of the Grand Commandery should be "The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders of the Territory of Dakota." The report of the committee was accepted and the accompanying statutes, regulations, and forms were adopted. The convention then proceeded to an election of the officers which resulted as follows:

Sir Samuel Roy, Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir William D. Stites, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander; Sir D. Frank Etter, Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir Marc A. Brewer, Eminent Grand Captain General; Sir Rev. J. M. McBride, Eminent Grand Prelate; Sir A. T. Bigelow, Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir Edward Porrett, Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir L. D. Parmer, Eminent Grand Treasurer; Sir Edwin E. Sage, Eminent Grand Recorder; Sir L. B. French, Eminent Grand Standard Bearer; Sir R. C. Lake, Eminent Grand Sword Bearer; Sir L. R. Graves, Eminent Grand Warder; Sir W. T. Doolittle, Eminent Grand Chaplain of the Guard.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS.

Very Eminent Thomas S. Parvin, as proxy of the Most Eminent Grand Master Sir R. E. Withers, installed the Right Eminent Grand Commander Sir Samuel Roy and other elected and appointed Grand Officers in due form.

PROCLAMATION OF CONSTITUTION, ETC.

The Eminent Grand Marshal then made proclamation that the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the Territory of Dakota, was duly formed and constituted, and its officers elected and installed according to the ancient ritual and usages of the Order.

After which the convention adjourned *sine die*.

The Grand Commandery met for the first time pursuant to the Order of the Right Eminent Grand Commander in the Asylum of Cyrene Commandery No. 2 in the city of Sioux Falls on the 14th day of May, 1884.

At this Conclave the Very Eminent Sir Theodore S. Parvin, Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America was requested to procure a seal for the Commandery with such engraving as in his judgment might seem fitting, and he was made an honorary member of the Grand Commandery. The subordinate Commanderies were directed to return their charters to the Grand Recorder for

endorsement. A charter was granted to La Co Tah Commandery No. 6, at Huron, and the next Annual Conclave was ordered to be held at Yankton.

At the time of the organization of the Grand Commandery, there were 201 members of the subordinate Commanderies. During the first year a dispensation was granted for the formation of Watertown Commandery No. 7, at Watertown; also for the formation of Grand Forks Commandery No. 8, at Grand Forks. During the year 1886-7, two dispensations for the formation of Commanderies were granted, viz.: Schrader Commandery No. 9, at Rapid City, and Damascus Commandery at Aberdeen.

During the session of the Grand Commandery in 1887, a resolution was adopted that it was "the sense of the Grand Commandery that the subordinate Commanderies within its jurisdiction be requested not to receive the petitions of any companion Royal Arch Mason who is at the time of making the same engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage."

The Fifth Annual Conclave was held in the city of Aberdeen May 29th, 1888. During the year a dispensation was issued for the formation of St. Bernard's Commandery at Mitchell No. 11, and during the session a dispensation was ordered issued for the formation of Wi-ha-ha Commandery at Jamestown.

On January 4, 1887, death summoned Sir Samuel Roy, Past Grand Commander, and the first Grand Commander of Dakota, from the ranks, and at the session of the Sixth Annual Conclave an appropriation was made to erect a suitable monument to perpetuate his memory. The sum of \$250 was appropriated for the relief of the stricken city of Johnstown, Pa. A large delegation of Sir Knights attended the Triennial Conclave at Washington, D. C.

The Seventh Annual Conclave was held at Sioux Falls, June 3, 1890.

Subsequent to the meeting of the Sixth Annual Conclave, the Territory of Dakota had been divided and the States of

South Dakota and North Dakota had been admitted into the Union.

At the last Annual Conclave it was resolved that it was the sense of the Grand Commandery that separate Grand Jurisdictions in Templarism should be created out of both North and South Dakota on the division of the Territory.

Dispensations from Most Eminent Grand Master Gobin were presented directing the Grand Commandery of Dakota to change its name to Grand Commandery of South Dakota, and that the Commanderies located in North Dakota should form the Grand Commandery of North Dakota.

This Conclave was remarkable for its large attendance, and the importance of the business transacted. Four Commanderies located in North Dakota withdrew from the Commandery of Dakota for the purpose of forming the Commandery of North Dakota, and as they formerly did so, the jewels known and used as the jewels of the Grand Commandery of Dakota were presented to the Grand Commandery to be constituted in North Dakota, by Right Eminent Sir John F. Schrader, Commander elect of South Dakota, in an eloquent and touching speech. The response by Right Eminent Sir L. A. Rose, Grand Commander elect of North Dakota, will long be remembered by those who had the pleasure to listen to it. Eight Commanderies remained in the South Dakota jurisdiction with a membership of 512. The four Commanderies withdrawing had a membership of 177.

A dispensation was granted for the formation of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 13, at Flandreau, in 1892. A large delegation of Sir Knights attended the Triennial Encampment at Denver, and returned to their homes delighted with the generous hospitality with which they were received and entertained while in that enterprising and beautiful city. In January, 1893, a dispensation was granted for the organization of Brookings Commandery No. 14, at Brookings. The Grand Commandery established headquarters at Boston during the Triennial Conclave in 1895 and were well represented.

In May, 1895, a dispensation was granted for the formation of Battle Mountain Commandery No. 15, at Hot Springs.

The Twenty-seventh Triennial Conclave held at Pittsburg, Pa., and the Twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave held at Louisville, Ky., were well attended by representatives from this jurisdiction. The headquarters were commodious and visitors were royally entertained.

But this brief and imperfect synopsis of the formation and proceedings of the Grand Commandery of South Dakota should not be closed without referring to the uniform harmony and fraternal love which has pervaded this jurisdiction. It has also been fortunate in the selection of its officers who have almost without exception labored untiringly to promote Templar Masonry.

During the hard times of a few years ago, when business and financial depression was felt throughout this jurisdiction, it required strenuous effort to keep the membership from growing less, but now that the clouds have rolled away, the signs unmistakably indicate that the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar for South Dakota has bright prospects for the future.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

- R. E. Sir Knight Morris H. Kelly, Aberdeen, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight Edward S. Lorimer, Brookings, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight Fred. A. Spafford, Flandreau, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Albert F. Pilcher, Sioux Falls, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight John Banks, Huron, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Chas. A. Howard, Aberdeen, Grand Junlor Warden.
- E. Sir Knight John H. Babcock, Sioux Falls, Grand Prelate.
- E. Sir Knight Martin P. Ohlman, Yankton, Grand Treasurer.
- E. Sir Knight Geo. A. Pettigrew, Flandreau, Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight Eugene F. Irwin, Lead, Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight K. B. Anderson, Huron, Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Chas. O. Bailey, Sioux Falls, Grand Warder.
- E. Sir Knight Chas. W. Adams, Mitchell, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

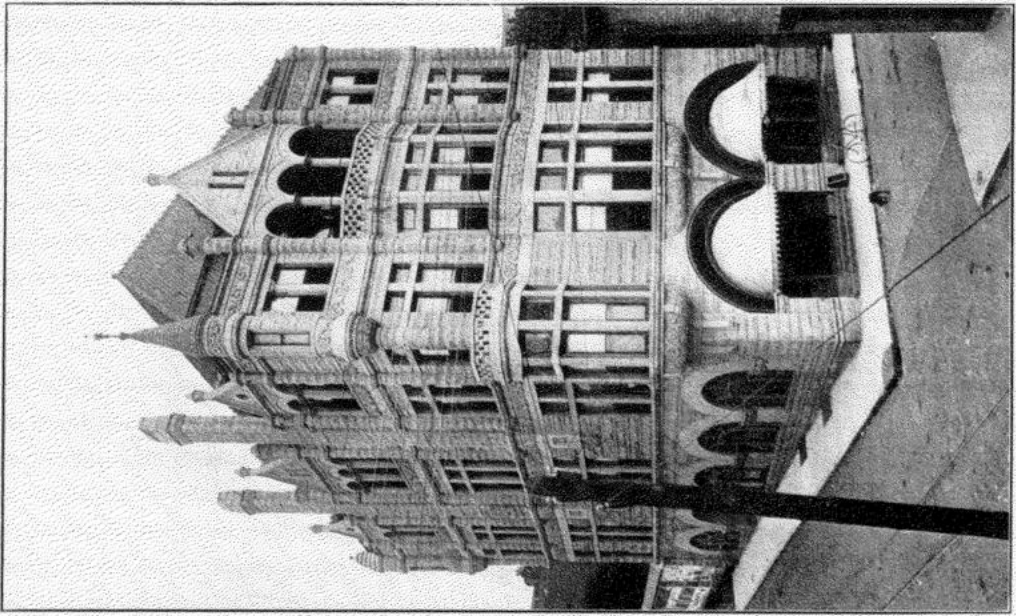
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Levi B. French, 1885.	Wm. J. McMakin, 1894.
Daniel S. Glidden, 1886.	Frank A. Brown, 1895.
Marc A. Brewer, 1887.	J. J. Casselman, 1896.
Jos. A. Colcord, 1888.	Joseph T. Morrow, 1897.
Wm. D. Stites, 1889.	Wm. T. Doolittle, 1898.
John F. Schrader, 1890.	Geo. V. Ayres, 1889.
Samuel H. Jumper, 1891.	E. W. Coughran, 1900.
Geo. W. Burnside, 1892.	

PAST GRAND RECORDEES.

Edwin E. Sage, 1884.	William H. Holt, 1893-1894.
Bruce M. Rowley, 1885-1893.	Geo. A. Pettigrew, 1895-1902.

South Dakota Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
77	1	DAKOTA	Deadwood	Eugene F. Irwin	Geo. M. Reeves
122	2	CYRENE	Sioux Falls	Chas. O. Bailey	Edgar S. Knowles
54	3	DEMOLAY	Yankton	Wilson S. Goodwin	E. H. Van Antwerp
101	6	LA-CO-TAH	Huron	Knutt B. Anderson	Bruce M. Rowley
42	7	WATERTOWN	Watertown	David C. Thomas	Leander D. Lyon
25	9	SCHRADER	Rapid City	John F. Schrader	Jos. Schofield
93	10	DAMASCUS	Aberdeen	Chas. A. Howard	Louis Lager
86	11	ST. BERNARD	Mitchell	Stephen H. Scallin	Ralph R. Bowdle
51	13	IVANHOE	Flandreau	Hardin A. Parke	Wm. P. Hess
53	14	BROOKINGS	Brookings	Wm. H. Roddle	Robt. F. Kerr
31	15	BATTLE MOUNTAIN	Hot Springs	R. D. Jennings	Ed. S. Ames
36	16	VERMILION	Vermillion	Edgar D. Brookman	Chas. H. Barrett
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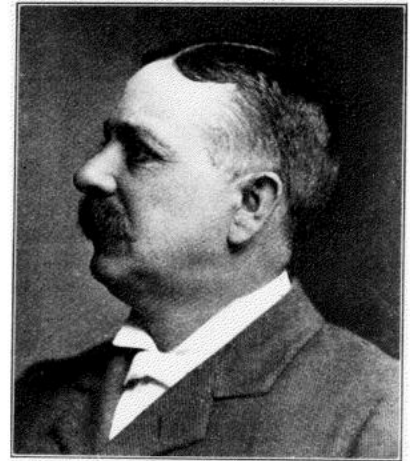
TENNESSEE--MASONIC TEMPLE, CHATTANOOGA.



EM. SIR ARCHIBALD NEVINS SLOAN.
Grand Captain General—Chattanooga.



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM THEODORE HOPE, M. D.
Grand Commander 1901-'02—Chattanooga.



EM. SIR JOHN BERRY GARRETT.
Grand Recorder, Past Commander LaValette Com-
mandery No. 17—Nashville.

TENNESSEE—OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in Tennessee.

By
John B. Garrett,
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery of
Tennessee.

TO write a history of the Grand Commandery of Tennessee, Knights Templar it will be necessary to take the reader back to the days "When Knighthood was in Flower," back to the days of those old lovers of Masonry, who have been years ago gathered to the land of their fathers, back fifteen years preceding the Civil War, back to the time when Wilkins Tannehill, the brightest light that ever shone in Tennessee Masonry, was almost ready to lay down his long life work in the mystic art and take his departure for the Spirit Land.

It takes one back to the days of Thomas Gowdey, Dyer Peare, Joseph Norvell, Michael E. DeGrove and dozens of others, who might be named—men then in and beyond the prime of life—whose names are treasured as household words among their brethren of the mystic tie.

In order to show the formation of the Grand Commandery, it will be necessary to briefly mention the subordinate Commanderies which were in existence at the time of, and took part in, the institution of that body, and in doing so more space will be given to Nashville Commandery No. 1 than to the others, owing to the fact that it was the nucleus of Templarism in Tennessee.

On the 26th of November, A. D., 1846, A. O., 728, under authority of a dispensation issued by Most Eminent Joseph K. Stapleton, Deputy General Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders for the United States of America, the first Commandery of the State of Tennessee was organized in Nashville under

the name of Nashville Encampment No. 1, with the following officers, the first four of whom were named in the warrant:

Sir Wilkins Tannehill, Grand Commander; Sir Thomas Gowdey, Generalissimo; Sir M. M. Henkle, Captain General; Sir J. Thomas Wheat, Prelate; Sir Dyer Peare, Senior Warden; Sir James A. Porter, Junior Warden; Sir Joseph Norvell, Recorder and Treasurer; Sir Robert Boyte Howell, Warder.

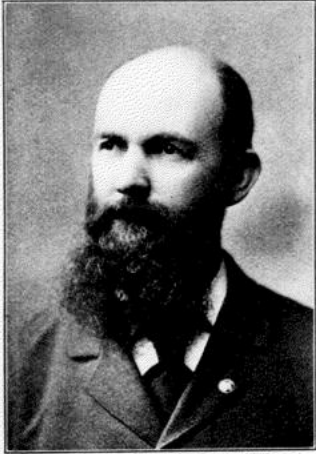
In addition to the above named there were present and became members of the Commandery Sirs Elihu S. Hall and Jesse B. Clements.

The new Commandery met regularly under its dispensation, having great success, until the meeting of the General Grand Encampment at Columbus, Ohio, in September, 1847, when it received its charter, under which it has continued to work until the present time.

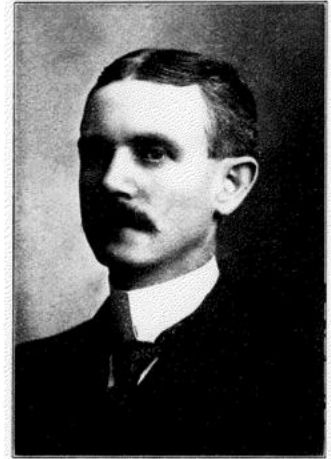
No change was made in the office of Grand Commander until October, 1851, when Sir Wilkins Tannehill, who had occupied that position from the formation of the Commandery, peremptorily declined re-election on account of his fast failing eyesight and old age, when Sir Knight John S. Dashiell was elected Grand Commander and with him an entirely new set of officers, not one of whom was a charter member.

The reason for this is found in the fact that death had invaded their ranks, some had removed their place of residence, while the balance had passed the meridian of life and had retired from active work.

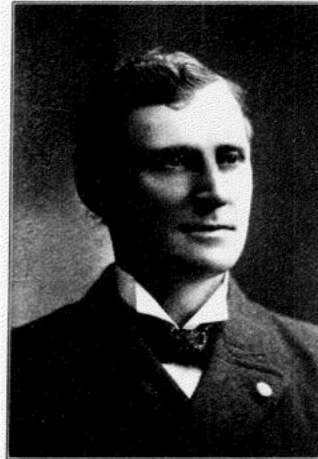
In September, 1856, the General Grand Encampment changed the designation of the various bodies under its ju-



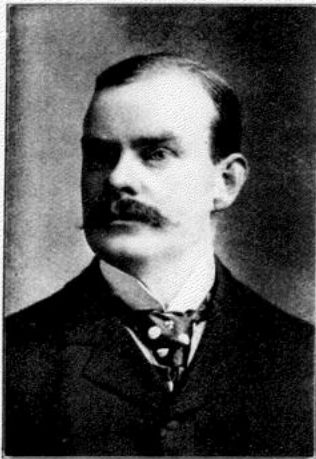
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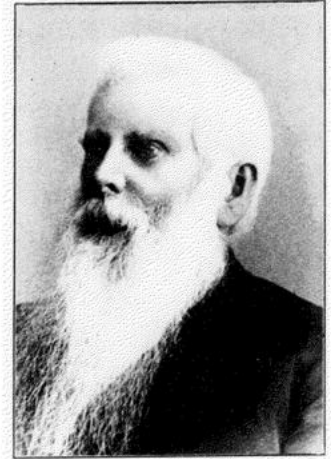
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EM. SIR LAPSLEY GREEN WALKER.
Past Commander, Grand Warder.



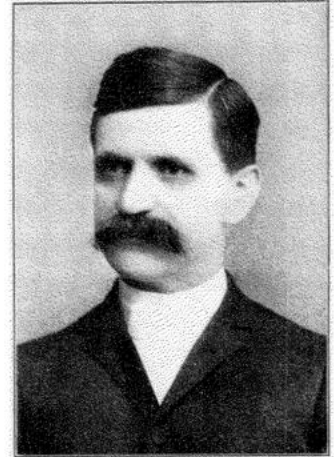
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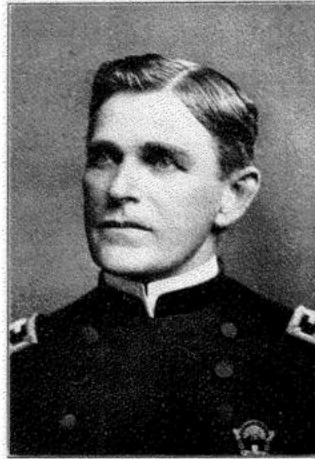
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SIR KT. HENRY F. ROGERS.
Generalissimo.



R. EM. SIR JOHN BAILEY NICKLIN.
Recorder, Past Commander, Grand Commander,
1885.



EM. SIR SIMEON B. COOK, D. D. S.
Commander.



EM. SIR ARCHIBALD N. SLOAN.
Treasurer, Past Commander, Grand Captain
General.



R. EM. SIR WILLIAM T. HOPE, M. D.
Prelate, Past Commander, Grand Commander,
1901-1902.

TENNESSEE-LOOKOUT COMMANDERY NO. 14, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, CHATTANOOGA.

risdiction and thereafter Nashville Encampment became known as Nashville Commandery No. 1, and its first officer as Eminent Commander instead of Grand Commander.

For eleven years this old Commandery had the entire Templar field to itself in Tennessee, continued to do good work all the time, and at the formation of the Grand Commandery had eighty-three Sir Knights on its rolls, only two of whom were charter members.

In the month of March, A. D., 1857, a number of Knights Templar residing at Yorkville and vicinity, prepared a petition to the Grand Encampment praying for the proper authority to organize Yorkville Commandery No. 2.

A dispensation was granted by the Hon. W. B. Hubbard, Grand Master of the Order, on the 10th day of July, 1857. A charter was granted by the Grand Encampment at its meeting held in the city of Chicago, Illinois, dated the 17th day of September, A. D., 1859.

On December 6, 1858, the Sir Knights of Maury county, assembled in Columbia, unanimously resolved to unite in a petition to the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment to empower them to form, open, and hold a regular Commandery of Knights Templar in the town aforesaid. The petition was transmitted to Sir Benjamin Brown French, General Grand Recorder, at Washington, D. C., and in due time a dispensation, signed by W. B. Hubbard, Grand Master, dated at Columbus, Ohio, December 19, A. D., 1858, was issued authorizing the organization of DeMolay Commandery No. 3 and a charter was issued by the Grand Encampment bearing date of September 16, 1859.

Early in the year 1859, a number of Knights Templar living in the city of Memphis held an informal meeting and drew up a petition to Most Eminent William B. Hubbard, at that time Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, asking for a dispensation to organize a Commandery in that city. The dispensation was issued under date of March 27, 1859, creating Cyrene Commandery No. 4, and a charter issued by order of the Grand Encampment, dated September 16, 1859.

According to previous agreement, the representatives of these four Commanderies assembled in the Asylum of Nashville Commandery No. 1, in the city of Nashville, on Wednesday, October 12, 1859, for the purpose of organizing the Grand Commandery of Tennessee.

Sir Knight John Frizzell stated the object of the convention; Sir Knight Charles A. Fuller, Eminent Commander of No. 1, was invited to preside, and Sir Knight William H. Whiton was appointed Recorder.

Sir Charles A. Fuller then read the warrant received from the Most Eminent Grand Master, authorizing the formation of a State Grand Commandery and a committee was appointed on credentials, whose report, together with that of the Committee on Constitution and Code of Statutes, was adopted.

The convocation then proceeded to elect officers for the Grand Commandery, when the following were elected:

Sir Charles A. Fuller, Grand Commander; Sir John Penn, Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Lucius J. Polk, Grand Generalissimo; Sir Massalon Whitten, Grand Captain General; Sir Jonathan Huntingdon, Grand Prelate; Sir J. J. Worsham, Grand Senior Warden; Sir A. Sidney Currey, Grand Junior Warden; Sir Williamson H. Horn, Grand Treasurer; Sir William H. Whiton, Grand Recorder; Sir Thomas McCulloch, Grand Standard Bearer; Sir J. H. Devereux, Grand Sword Bearer; Sir Henry Sheffield, Grand Warder; Sir M. E. DeGrove, Grand Sentinel.

On motion of Sir John Frizzell, it was resolved, that the Grand Commandery of the State of Tennessee be opened at 5 o'clock and that the present convocation be adjourned *sine die*.

The Grand Commandery of the State of Tennessee commenced its first Conclave in the city of Nashville on Wednesday, October 12, 1859. Sir Charles A. Fuller, Grand Commander, presiding.

After the installation of its officers and the adoption of a resolution authorizing subordinate Commanderies to con-

tinue work under their old charters and ordering the Grand Recorder to secure seal and print five hundred copies of the proceedings, the Grand Commandery was closed in ample and knightly form.

The Second Annual Conclave was also held in the city of Nashville, beginning October 10, 1860.

The reports of the Treasurer and Recorder showed that two hundred and seven dollars had been received and accounted for.

Sir Lucius J. Polk was elected Grand Commander and Sir Morton B. Howell, Grand Recorder.

The Third Annual Conclave was held in the Asylum of Nashville Commandery No. 1, beginning October 6, 1861, the Grand Commander Sir Lucius J. Polk, being detained at home on account of sickness.

The Grand Commander recommended a consideration of the relation subsisting between this body and the Grand Encampment, and the committee appointed to consider his recommendations submitted the following report:

Resolved, That the officers of the Grand Commandery entitled to seats as members of the next Grand Encampment, which meets in Memphis, Tennessee, in September, 1862, be instructed to urge and procure if possible, the adoption of such measures by said body as will cause its permanent dissolution as at present constituted.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this body that a general body for the government of Templar Masonry in the Confederate States of America is desirable, and that our said officers be instructed to confer at the time aforesaid with the representatives from the Grand Commanderies of States which may then compose the Confederate States and unite in the formation of such a body, and to represent therein the Grand Commandery of Tennessee.

This was but the effervescence of the then prevailing war spirit. "Everything" according to the spirit of the times in the South, was to be divorced from the North, and the foregoing is a part and parcel of the ideas of the times. How it

could ever have been injected into Templarism after the earnest appeal from Grand Master McCallum, and others (which appeal was signed by Lucius J. Polk, Grand Commander, Charles A. Fuller, Past Grand Commander, John McClelland and Jno. S. Dashiell), to their brethren of the country for peace, passeth all comprehension.

No meetings of the Grand Commandery were held in 1862, 1863, and 1864, consequently, the resolutions were never more heard of. The First Annual Conclave after the war was held in Nashville, October 11, 1865, and Conclaves have been regularly held since.

During the Sixth Annual Conclave held December, 1866, on motion, fifty dollars was appropriated to DeMolay Commandery as compensation for the loss of swords loaned to the Grand Commandery in 1861.

From the resolutions adopted by the Grand Commandery in 1861, these swords were, perhaps, beaten into "ploughshares" for the use of the "farmers" of the Confederate States.

The Annual Conclaves were fixed by the original constitution at "Wednesday after the second Monday in October in the city of Nashville."

The constitution had been changed a number of times, but the Grand Commandery had always met in Nashville up to 1871, when the constitution was changed so that it might meet at any place selected at a previous annual session, and since that time the Grand Body has been on "wheels," a "migratory bird," a "tourist," a visitor or whatever designation one may see fit to apply to it, jumping from the mountains of the East to the lowlands of West Tennessee with the agility of a mountain cat.

In the years that have passed since the Civil War, nothing has transpired worthy of especial notice; it has regularly held its elections and enjoyed the annual banquet.

There are now on the rolls 16 Commanderies and 1,001 Knights Templar.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

- R. E. Sir Knight William Theodore Hope, Chattanooga, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight James Park Hanner, Franklin, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight John Wilson Bailey, Memphis, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Archibald Nevins Sloan, Chattanooga, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight Jacob C. Smith, Jr., Jackson, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Charles Henry Harvey, Knoxville, Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Joseph Holmes Bullock, Paris, Grand Treasurer.
- E. Sir Knight John Berry Garrett, Nashville, Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight Henry Royce Brown, Greenville, Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight John Charles Kennedy, Nashville, Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Lapsey Green Walker, Chattanooga, Grand Warder.
- E. Sir Knight William A. Clendenning, Nashville, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

- *Charles A. Fuller.
- William P. Robertson,
- *Lucius J. Polk.
- Gideon R. Gwynne.
- *John J. Worsham.
- John B. Nicklin.
- *Amasa S. Underwood.
- Henry C. Hensley.
- *John McClelland.
- Charles W. Mosby.
- *John Frizzell.
- *Gamallel B. Wilson.
- *Joseph M. Towler.
- *William C. Smith.
- *Achilles D. Sears.
- Nathan S. Woodward.
- *George S. Blackie.
- Robert Pillow.
- *Joseph B. Palmer.
- Thomas C. Morris.
- George Mellersh,
- *William M. Brooks.
- Morton B. Howell.
- Henry M. Aiken.
- Charles H. Eastman.
- *William R. Butler.
- *Orion L. Hurlbut.
- *Ed R. T. Worsham.
- Robert W. Haynes.
- Wilbur F. Foster.
- William J. Ely.
- *George C. Connor.
- Samuel B. Dow.
- Joe H. Fussell.
- John K. Currier.
- *Benjamin F. Haller.
- Robert R. Freeman.
- *William D. Robison.
- William T. Hope.
- *DECEASED.

Tennessee Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
79	1	NASHVILLE	Nashville	John Langham	Henry C. Bate
21	3	DEMOLAY	Columbia	William Austin Smith	Jcnathan H. Dugger
116	4	MEMPHIS	Memphis	Henry D. Wilson	Thomas J. Barchus
45	7	BALDWIN	Lebanon	William R. Shaver	Jeff L. Castleman
50	8	CLARKSVILLE	Clarksville	C. G. Wilson	Walter B. Kincannon
166	9	COEUR DE LION	Knoxville	Andrew J. Reed	Archibald Ferguson
23	10	MURFREESBORO	Murfreesboro	Henry H. Kerr	Hickman Weakley
17	11	DEPAYENS	Franklin	Josiah C. Eggleston	George L. Cowan
84	13	JACKSON	Jackson	Mark A. Matthews	Henry C. Irby
131	14	LOOKOUT	Chattanooga	Simeon B. Cook	John B. Nicklin
25	15	ST. ELMO	Memphis	Charles W. Mosby	John W. Bondurant
41	16	PARIS	Paris	Isaac A. McSwain	Joseph H. Bullock
74	17	LA VALLETTE	Nashville	William E. Metzger	Charles H. Eastman
45	18	KENTON	Kenton	Phillip N. Matlock	John W. Howell
47	19	ST. OMER	Bristol	Edward K. Bachman	Andrew C. Markleroad
37	20	GREENVILLE	Greenville	Humphries Reaves	Gurney H. Smith
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The Order of the Temple in Texas.

By
John Carson Kidd,
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of Texas.

SIR SAMUEL MAY WILLIAMS has been called the "Father of Templar Masonry in Texas." This Sir Knight, when a boy, went to Mexico, from Rhode Island. He acquired a thorough knowledge of the Mexican or Spanish language, and when "Austin's Colony" was located in Texas, he was invited to unite with it, and was placed in charge of its land office records in 1824.

Sir Williams believed that "Masonry and Masonic Institutions would have a tendency to bind and hold together the scattered few inhabitants of Texas."

Believing thus, when in New York, in 1835, he, on November 21st, by dispensation, received the three degrees in the Blue Lodge Masonry, in Independent Royal Arch Lodge No. 2.

On November 25, 1835, in Jerusalem Chapter No. 8, by dispensation, he was exalted, and on or about December 1st, he was created a Knight Templar, in Morton Commandery No. 4 of New York.

On December 10th he procured a warrant for himself, Sir James H. C. Miller and such others as they might associate with them, to establish a Commandery at San Felipe de Austin in the State of Texas.

Before the Commandery could be put to work, Texas, on March 2, 1836, issued its "Declaration of Independence," and then came the war, which resulted in the separation of the States of Coahuila and Texas from the dominion of Mexico and the establishment of the "Republic of Texas."

Sir Williams removed to Galveston and his charter went with him and lay dormant until late in the "forties."

The early records of San Felipe de Austin No. 1 mysteriously disappeared in 1866. A "tableau," prepared in 1881, partly from cotemporary records and partly from memory, says, "Organized, formed, and opened at Galveston, in the winter of 1846 and 1847, by Sir Saml. M. Williams, Sir Thos. Buckley, and Sir Wm. M. Hudson, who governed the body with the assistance of others as created, until January, A. D., 1849, when a sufficient number of Sir Knights having been created, the regulation officers were elected."

On February 2, 1848, a dispensation was issued to Sir Nelson T. Davis and seven others for an encampment to be organized at Houston and to be known as "Ruthven Encampment."

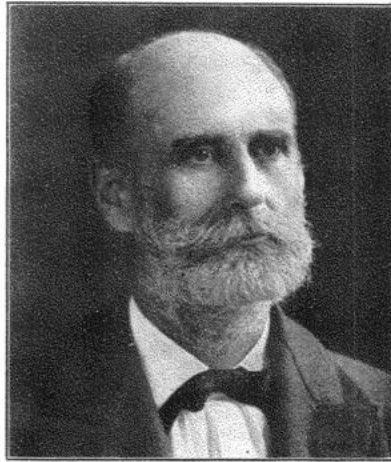
On June 8, 1848, the Sir Knights named in the dispensation met and organized and on the 9th of June received the petitions of Companions A. M. Gentry, Robert Brewster, and R. M. DeCheine. This is the earliest record we have of actual work done in a fully organized Commandery (or Encampment) with "regulation officers," etc., in Texas.

In 1850, Ruthven made its report to the Grand Encampment and was granted a charter under the name and number of Ruthven Encampment No. 1 (see Grand Encampment proceedings, 1850, page 133).

In November, 1850, Sir William Hubbard, General Grand Master, was advised, "that a difficulty existed between San Felipe de Austin and Ruthven Encampments, Texas, both claiming to rank as No. 1 and both claiming to have the authority of the Grand Encampment for same."

He investigated the records and finally decided that San Felipe de Austin was entitled to the No. 1.

Texans always believed in "independence," as far as it was possible to have it and as soon as Palestine Encampment No.



EM. SIR JOHN CARSON KIDD.
Grand Recorder, Past Commander and Treasurer Ruthven Commandery
No. 2-Houston.

TEXAS--GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

3 was constituted, November 24, 1853, application was made and authority was asked, for the organization of a "Grand Encampment."

This was granted on December 31, 1853. Owing to the poor means of transportation then available, this warrant was not received until too late to do anything in 1854. The Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter meeting on January 16th, it was desired to organize at that time.

This delay made Texas occupy the twelfth place in "precedence of Grand Commanderies based upon the dates of their respective organizations," otherwise, we would have preceded Pennsylvania and Indiana, which date April and May, 1854.

In January, 1855, the representatives of San Felipe de Austin No. 1, Ruthven No. 2, and Palestine No. 3, met at San Antonio, and on the 18th the convention was organized, committees appointed, etc. On the 19th the convention again assembled, adopted reports made by its committees, elected and installed Grand Officers. On the same day, the 19th, the First Grand Conclave was held.

As provided for in the constitution, the Second Grand Conclave was held at Huntsville on the 22d of June, 1855. At this Grand Conclave the three Commanderies having surrendered the charters held by them from the Grand Encampment were furnished with new ones.

Colorado Commandery, located at Austin, was granted a dispensation in March, 1855. At the Grand Conclave in June, it also was granted a charter, so that the first four Commanderies in the State have the same date, June 23, 1855, inscribed upon their charters from the State.

Grand Conclaves were held at Huntsville, until 1861, when Houston was selected as the place of meeting. In 1876, the Grand Body decided to hold its future Grand Conclaves at such times and places as each Grand Conclave should select.

Under this rule, the prominent cities have in turn been visited.

In 1856, a Commandery was established at the town of

Wheelock, which flourished until 1861. Like all the rest of our bodies, during the succeeding four years, it went down. In 1865, the others took up again their work, but the record reads that "During the war so many of the Sir Knights of No. 5 fell upon the field of battle, that at its close there were not enough left to reorganize the encampment."

In numbers our State has had its periods of advancement, of remaining stationary, of retrogression, and again advancing. Starting with 117, in 1855, we grew to 274, in 1869. In 1863, we numbered but 208. From 1855 to 1887, we advanced so as to reach the 1,000 figure, and during the next nine years we doubled, reaching 2,080. At this date our numbers read 2,270.

Our largest Commandery No. 4 has 203 on its rolls, the smallest, No. 8, 27.

We now have thirty-two Commanderies working. They are scattered all over the State. Marshall, on the extreme east, El Paso in the extreme west (793 miles distant), Galveston on the southeastern coast, Laredo on the southern border, Vernon in the Pan Handle (501 miles northwest from Galveston), each has a Commandery.

Under a wise provision of our Grand Commandery "that no Commandery can be established within less than fifty miles of one already constituted (except in a city of over 10,000 inhabitants)," a multiplication of Commanderies at weak points has been avoided, and under another provision, that allows a companion living over fifty miles from any Commandery to apply anywhere in the State, the convenience of all has been provided for.

In the early days of the State, being limited in number the names of a few Templars were prominent. Upon them depended the success or failure of the Order in the State.

So that, to Texas Templars, the names of Williams, Ruthven, Neill, Taylor, Patrick, Botts, McCoy, Sexton, Elgin, Sorley, Yard, Richardson, Brewster, and Tucker are as household words. Of these, Sir Elgin alone is yet with us. Since 1855, he has been a worker in the cause. He was Grand Com-

mander in 1866 and is, to-day, the most widely known Templar in the State.

We have still on our rolls the names of twenty-one living Grand Commanders.

Of those whom Texas has honored, the Grand Encampment of the United States, has placed in office, Sir James Sorley, Grand Captain General in 1856, Sir H. B. Stoddard, who was appointed Grand Sword Bearer in 1880, and is now the Grand Master. Sir George W. Belt, who was Grand Senior Warden, in 1865, at that time a Past Grand Commander of Missouri, now holds his membership in El Paso No. 18 and has been elected a member of our Grand Commandery as a Past Grand Commander.

Increasing in a healthy manner, Texas bids fair to rank high in number of its membership, unless the abundant prosperity of these later days takes the minds of men from everything save the almighty and elusive dollar.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Frederick M. Gilbough, Galveston, Grand Commander.

V. E. Sir Knight Jacob F. Zurn, Fort Worth, Deputy Grand Commander.

E. Sir Knight William H. Bell, Austin, Grand Generalissimo.

E. Sir Knight Edwin Chamberlin, San Antonio, Grand Captain General.

E. Sir Knight Thomas F. Harwood, Gonzales, Grand Senior Warden.

E. Sir Knight Marcus F. Mott, Galveston, Grand Junior Warden.

E. Sir Knight John R. Carter, Galveston, Grand Prelate.

E. Sir Knight Robert M. Elgin, Houston, Grand Treasurer.

E. Sir Knight John Carson Kidd, Houston, Grand Recorder.

E. Sir Knight Alvin V. Lane, Dallas, Grand Standard Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Dalziel H. Randolph, Laredo, Grand Sword Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Harry C. Carpenter, El Paso, Grand Warder.

E. Sir Knight Robert P. Connor, Brownwood, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Samuel May Williams.

*Archibald St. Clair Ruthven.

*William Martin Taylor.

*Edward Wyllys Taylor.

*James Sorley.

*George Moffitt Patrick.

*John Johnson McBride.

*Edward Clark.

*Edward Hopkins Cushing.

*Josiah Allison Lawrence.

*Phillip Crosby Tucker.

*Benjamin Alexander Botts.

*Robert Morris Elgin.

*Nahor Briggs Yard.

*Peter W. Gray.

*Walter Browne Botts.

*Franklin Barlow Sexton.

*Alfred Stephen Richardson.

*Austin Clay Baker.

*Benjamin Ball Richardson.

Edwin Gustavus Bower.

Louis Montcalm Openheimer.

Davis Robert Gurley.

James Francis Miller.

*Henry Scherffius.

Henry Bates Stoddard.

*Joseph William Hannig.

*John Jay Gould.

*John Courtland McCoy.

*Jonathan Perry Harrison.

Nathaniel Wyche Hunter.

Theodore Uglow Lubbock.

John Orville Johnson.

Charles Davis.

John Martin.

*Lawrence Montgomery Knepfly.

James Garrity.

David Cogswell Proctor.

Thomas Jeremiah Beall.

Edwin James Fry.

John McDonald.

Jacob Fontaine Brinkerhoff.

Lucius Tyler Noyes.

Albert Addison Johnston.

P. Tyson Morey.

Frederick Moses Gilbrough.

*DECEASED.

Texas Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
84	1	SAN FELIPE DE AUSTIN ...	Galveston	F. M. Walker	R. P. Allen
115	2	RUTHVEN	Houston	W. L. Lane	J. R. Cade
49	3	PALESTINE	Palestine	W. C. Kendall	S. P. Allen
203	4	COLORADO	Austin	Hy. L. Carleton	Jno. O. Johnson
101	6	DALLAS	Dallas	Sam P. Cochran	H. L. McCorkle
95	7	SAN ANTONIO	San Antonio	J. F. France	E. R. Norton
27	8	IVANHOE	Bryan	John T. Garrett	Henry G. Rhodes
70	9	PARIS	Paris	Chas. Manton	John T. Duvall
84	10	WACO	Waco	R. F. Minnock	J. F. Brinkerhoff
87	11	GONZALES	Conzales	J. D. Sayers, Jr.	C. A. Burchard
103	12	CLEBURNE	Cleburne	W. M. Yater	W. O. Menefee
65	13	INDIVISIBLE FRIENDS	Sherman	J. W. Blake	H. E. Bohrer
86	14	BERTRAND DE GUESCLIN ..	Corsicana	A. Harris	R. J. Allen
33	15	BRENHAM	Brenham	J. G. Sloan	R. T. Jaeggli
56	16	GRAY	Marshall	Chas. M. Wells	W. H. Heartsill
72	17	FANNIN	Goliad	W. W. Boyce	J. H. Pittman
109	18	EL PASO	El Paso	E. W. S. Neff	H. W. Connolly
154	19	WORTH	Fort Worth	Chas. B. Grabe	W. H. Field
42	20	DEMOLAY	Greenville	W. S. McKain	J. Scoonover
53	22	BROWNWOOD	Brownwood	Lee Watson	Mark E. Ragsdale
102	23	BELTON	Belton	Lee Peyton	T. W. Cochran
73	24	DENISON	Denison	W. T. Mosse	T. E. Reardon
35	25	ASCENSION	Tyler	C. A. Smith	Tom H. Thornton
32	26	MCCOY	Sulphur Springs	L. H. Avinger	J. H. McClimons
41	27	ABILENE	Abilene	J. H. Pickens	C. W. Roberts
29	28	BALLINGER	San Angelo	J. Findlater, Jr.	H. A. Ransom
46	29	TRINITY	Huntsville	James G. Ashford	W. H. Woodall
44	30	MELITA	Gainesville	Michael Chevalier	Jno. A. Atchison
62	31	BIG SPRINGS	Big Springs	A. J. Eddins	E. O. Price
28	32	MALTA	Laredo	Henry Deutz	H. C. Cooper
44	33	VERNON	Vernon	W. W. Rogers	Shem E. Hatchett
46	34	MCKINNEY	McKinney	Howell E. Smith	Fred Emerson

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Belton Commandery No. 23, Knights Templar, Belton, Texas.

Belton Commandery No. 23 K. T., was organized by T. U. Lubbock, April 4, 1887. This young Commandery has been prosperous and solid from the beginning, and as the record of the Grand Commandery will show, occupies a high rank among the Commanderies of the State. The following is a list of the present active membership:

OFFICERS.

Lee Peyton, E. C.	W. T. Love, J. W.	L. W. Albertson, W.
Ben D. Lee, G.	Don A. Chamberlain, Tr.	C. W. Jarrett, S.
J. M. Frazier, C. G.	T. W. Cochran, Rec.	J. R. Carter, Grd.
X. B. Saunders, P.	W. T. Davidson, S. B.	Louis W. Holman, Grd.
M. E. Tarver, S. W.	Jno. G. Cochran, S. B.	J. C. Mitchell, Grd.

MEMBERS.

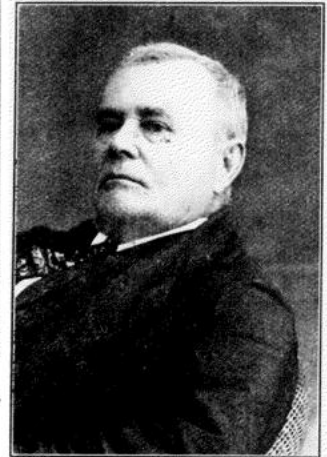
R. E. Aiken.	F. F. Downs.	W. T. Langham.	R. Robinson.
L. W. Albertson.	W. T. Davidson.	J. D. Law.	L. L. Sloss, Jr.
Ed Allen.	J. W. Dickerson.	Ben D. Lee.	L. E. Sheffield.
J. H. Barry.	P. L. Ellis.	B. F. Lee.	X. B. Saunders.
W. A. Barclay.	A. J. Embree.	J. L. Lee.	J. D. Slawson.
R. W. Barton.	J. M. Frazier.	Gray Lewis.	H. W. Smith.
W. T. Bassonette.	J. M. Furman.	W. T. Love.	W. McB. Smith.
H. C. Black.	T. J. Goodwin.	J. W. Love.	A. C. Scott.
S. H. Bowers.	T. A. Hagamen.	J. E. Love.	T. G. Tait.
A. R. Brashear.	W. W. Hair.	B. A. Ludlow.	M. E. Tarver.
A. F. Brigance.	W. C. Halbert.	J. H. Luther.	G. W. Tyler.
S. H. Brown.	C. M. Hale.	B. H. Matthews.	V. H. Tyler.
R. D. Brown.	W. E. Hall.	J. Z. Miller, Jr.	D. H. Watson.
Jas. R. Carter.	W. T. Hammer.	J. Z. Miller, Sr.	W. S. Warner.
J. W. Carter.	R. L. Hobdy.	S. W. Miller.	S. S. Walker.
J. G. Childress.	S. G. Hodge.	J. C. Mitchell.	C. H. Wedemeyer.
H. T. Cochran.	Lewis Holman.	J. E. Moore.	C. R. Wright.
J. G. Cochran.	Taylor Hudson.	J. B. Moore.	J. A. Wilkerson.
T. W. Cochran.	Leonard Isaacs.	P. T. Morey.	J. L. Wilson.
S. P. Cross.	J. H. James.	I. M. McDonald.	W. E. Willis.
W. J. Cagle.	C. W. Jarrett.	J. E. McLean.	M. H. Whitesides.
D. A. Chamberlain.	W. E. Jefferson.	Lee Payton.	T. J. Witt.
C. M. Campbell.	C. M. Jones.	E. M. Phillips.	W. W. Walton.
C. W. Campbell, Jr.	S. J. Jones.	W. P. Powell.	Jno. B. Walker.
R. F. Campbell.	T. R. Jones.	R. S. Porter.	Jno. A. Wallace.
W. S. Chapman.	H. C. Kegley.	R. S. Potts.	C. H. Yoe.
F. M. Daniels.	R. E. Kilpatrick.	S. M. Ray.	

PAST COMMANDERS.

P. T. Morey, P. G. C., G. C. of Texas.			
X. B. Saunders.	J. L. Wilson.	C. H. Wedemeyer.	W. McB. Smith.
P. L. Ellis.	Lee Peyton.	B. F. Lee.	C. W. Jarrett.
W. E. Hall.	S. M. Ray.		



R. EM. SIR P. TYSON MOREY.
Past Commander, Grand Commander,
1889—Belton.



EM. SIR JUDGE X. B. SAUNDERS.
Prelate, Past Commander—Belton.

**TEXAS—BELTON COMMANDERY NO. 23, KNIGHTS
TEMPLAR, BELTON.**

The Order of the Temple in Vermont.

By **Henry D. Ross,**
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of Vermont.

THE Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of the State of Vermont was formed at Rutland, June 17, 1824. Three Commanderies were represented as follows:
*Vermont Encampment, Windsor, by Most Eminent Sir John H. Cotton, Eminent Sir Jabesh Hunter, Sir James Cochran.

Green Mountain Encampment, Rutland, by Most Eminent Sir Hannibal Hodges, Eminent Sir Silas Bowen, Eminent Sir Whitman B. Haskins.

Mount Calvary Encampment, Middlesbury, by Most Eminent Sir Joel Clap, Sir John M. Weeks, Sir Asahel Parsons.

A constitution was adopted and the following officers elected and appointed, viz.:

Most Eminent Sir John H. Cotton, Grand Master*; Eminent Sir Silas Bowen, Deputy Grand Master; Eminent Rev. Sir Joel Clap, Grand Generalissimo; Eminent Sir Hannibal Hodges, Grand Captain General; Eminent Sir Rev. Amos Drury, Grand Prelate; Eminent Sir Samuel H. Holly, Grand Senior Warden; Eminent Sir Jabesh Hunter, Grand Junior Warden; Eminent Sir John M. Weeks, Grand Treasurer; Eminent Sir Isaac W. Hubbard, Grand Recorder; Eminent Sir Whitman B. Haskins, Grand Warder; Eminent Sir James Cochran, Grand Standard Bearer; Eminent Sir Asahel Parsons, Grand Sword Bearer; Eminent Sir John P. Skinner, Grand Treasurer and Steward.

The Grand Commandery held annual sessions regularly

*I retain the nomenclature of the old records.

until 1831. From that date, its "labors were necessarily suspended in consequence of the anti-Masonic excitements," until 1851.

August 14, 1851, representatives from Mount Calvary Encampment, Middlebury, Lafayette Encampment, East Berkshire, Burlington Encampment, Burlington, assembled at East Berkshire and reorganized the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders of the State of Vermont.

Finding, however, that the Grand Encampment so organized was *irregular*, representatives from the same encampments met at Burlington, January 14, 1852, and dissolved the existing organization and formed a new Grand Encampment for the State of Vermont, with Sir Knight Samuel L. Butler, East Berkshire, Grand Master, and Sir Knight John B. Hollenback, Burlington, Grand Recorder.

From that time to the present, the Grand Commandery of Vermont has had, in general, a steady career of progress

In the year 1902, it has jurisdiction under the command of Right Eminent Dan P. Webster, of Brattleboro, of 1,861 Sir Knights, distributed among twelve Commanderies.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

- R. E. Sir Knight Daniel Payson, Windsor, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight Dan P. Webster, Brattleboro, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight John H. Whipple, Manchester Center, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Silas H. Danforth, St. Albans, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight William H. Kingsley, Middlebury, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Charles A. Calderwood, St. Johnsbury, Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Alonzo N. Lewis, Montpelier, Grand Prelate.



EM. SIR GEORGE F. FLANDERS.
Commander Vermont Commandery No. 4—W. R. Junction.



BADGE OF MT. CALVARY.
Commandery No. 1—Middlebury.

VERMONT—COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR: MT. CALVARY NO. 1 MIDDLEBURY; VERMONT NO. 4, WINDSOR.

E. Sir Knight Charles W. Whitcomb, Proctorsville, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Warren G. Reynolds, Burlington, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Elihu B. Taft, Burlington, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight J. Henry Jackson, Barre, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Charles H. Williams, Bellow Falls, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight Horace C. Pierce, Barton, Grand Captain of Guard.

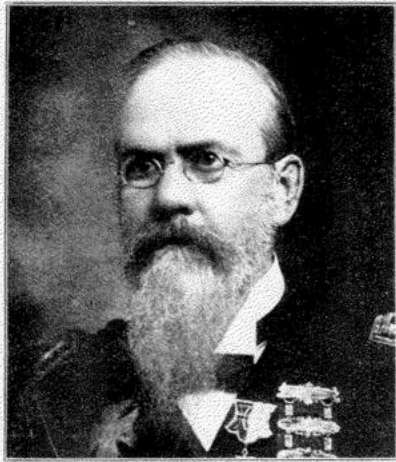
PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*John H. Cotton.	*Edward S. Dana.
*Silas Bowen.	George O. Tyler.
*Daniel L. Potter.	Alfred A. Hall.
*John Purdy.	Thad M. Chapman.
*Samuel S. Butler.	George W. Wing.
*Brazillai Davenport.	Delos M. Bacon.
*John S. Webster.	Will F. Lewis.
*Gamaliel Washburne.	Kittredge Haskins.
*Horatio Needham.	Marsh O. Perkins.
*Samuel S. Butler.	Silas W. Cummings.
*George M. Hall.	Robert J. Wright.
Russel S. Taft.	Jesse E. Thomson.
Joseph L. Perkins.	Daniel N. Nicholson.
*Albert B. Jewett.	

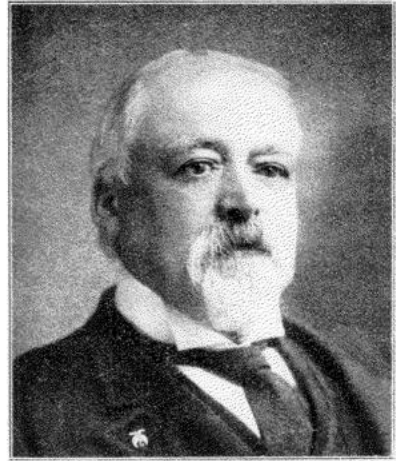
*DECEASED.

Vermont Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
163	1	MT. CALVARY	Middlebury	Frank J. Hubbard	Will H. Brewster
151	2	BURLINGTON	Burlington	John M. Clarke	C. H. Jones.
98	3	LAFAYETTE	St. Albans	L. S. Tillotson	S. E. Perkins
217	4	VERMONT	Windsor	George F. Flanders	March O. Perkins
285	5	PALESTINE	St. Johnsbury	Geo. F. Cheney	Delos M. Bacon
243	6	KILLINGTON	Rutland	Moses Ford	Fred C. Atherton
102	7	BEAUSEANT	Brattleboro	David A. Young	Frank W. Nichols
79	8	TAFT	Bennington	John S. Niles	Albert G. Patchin
161	9	MT ZION	Montpelier	Clarence S. Whittier	Charles H. Heaton
128	10	MALTA	Newport	Horace C. Pierce	Homer Thrasher
70	11	ST. ALDEMAR	Barre	F. W. Stanyan	George Lamson
69	12	HOLY CROSS	Bellow Falls	Geo. H. Gorham	Charles H. Gibson
1766					



R. EM. SIR JAMES BRANTON BLANKS.
Grand Recorder, Grand Commander 1887-'88, Past Commander Appomattox
Commandery No. 28—Petersburg.



EM. SIR JAMES O'KEEFE.
Grand Junior Warden, Commander Clinch Valley Commandery No. 20 for
ten years in succession—Tazewell.

VIRGINIA—GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

The Order of the Temple in Virginia.

By
James B. Blanks,
Grand Recorder
and Past Grand Com=
mander of the
Grand Commandery
of Virginia.

A BRIEF sketch of the formation and proceedings of the Grand Encampment of Virginia, at an assembly of delegates from the several encampments of Sir Knights Templar in the State of Virginia, held in the Mason's Hall in the town of Winchester, Va., on Tuesday, the 27th of November, A. D., 1823. Present, the following delegates:

Winchester Encampment.—Sir Knights Daniel W. Thomas, Warner Throckmorton, Conrad Kremer, and Samuel H. Davis.

Warren Encampment.—Sir Knights Jacob R. Thomas, John R. Hayden, Robert Blanchard, and Timothy Herrington.

Mount Carmel Encampment.—Sir Knights Henry C. SeEVERS, Wm. B. Whitney, Sutton I. Harris, and Wm. W. Blanchard.

Sir Knight Daniel W. Thomas was called to the chair and Sir Knight Sutton I. Harris was appointed secretary. The object of the meeting was briefly stated by the chairman, who presented the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, There are now established (agreeably to ancient usage and custom), in the State of Virginia, three encampments of Sir Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders, which are without any general head, and,

WHEREAS, It is expedient and necessary that there should be some authentic source from whence to derive charters and privileges without the intervention of individuals licensed by the Grand Puissants of other States;

Resolved, Therefore, That a Grand Encampment of Sir Knights Templar and the Appendant Orders be established in the town of Winchester for the State of Virginia, and for the government thereof;

Resolved, That the constitution heretofore adopted by Winchester Encampment No. 1, for the government thereof, be amended (where necessary), and adopted, which was accordingly done and ratified in convention on the 27th day of November 1823. Friday, November 28, 1823, the convention met agreeably to adjournment, Sir Knight Daniel W. Thomas in the chair and Sir Knight Sutton I. Harris was appointed secretary. The convention, after examining, adopted the constitution in its present form and ordered it to be recorded.

They then proceeded to the organization of a Grand Encampment and the following Sir Knights were appointed for the ensuing twelve months:

Most Eminent Sir Knight Daniel Walker Thomas, Grand Master; Right Eminent Sir Knight Warner Throckmorton, Deputy Grand Master; Right Eminent Sir Knight Jacob E. Thomas, Grand Generalissimo; Right Eminent Sir Knight Henry SeEVERS, Grand Captain General; Rev. Sir George Reed, Grand Prelate; Eminent Sir Conrad Kremer, Grand Senior Warden; Eminent Sir Samuel H. Davis, Grand Junior Warden; Eminent Sir Sutton I. Harris, Grand Recorder; Eminent Sir Peter Lauch, Grand Treasurer; Eminent Sir Samuel H. Lauch, Grand Standard Bearer; Eminent Sir Fountain Beckham, Grand Sword Bearer; Eminent Sir Nahum W. Patch, Grand Warder; Sir James Foster, Grand Sentinel.

Resolved, That Winchester Encampment No. 1 do continue to work as heretofore until the meeting of this Grand Encampment.

Resolved, That the permits granted by Winchester Encampment No. 1 to form Warren Encampment No. 2 and Mount Carmel Encampment No. 3 be continued to the said meeting of this Grand Encampment.

Resolved, That each subordinate encampment do pay into the hands of the Grand Treasurer any sum of money (not exceeding twenty dollars), when demanded for use by the Grand Encampment.

Resolved, That this Grand Encampment shall meet on the second Monday in November, 1824.

Resolved, That this convention be now closed *sine die*.

A special meeting of the Grand Encampment of Virginia was held in the Mason's Hall in the town of Winchester on the 11th day of August, 1824, Most Eminent Sir Knight Daniel W. Thomas, Grand Chairman.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That this Grand Encampment of Virginia does acknowledge the jurisdiction of the General Grand Encampment of the United States of America, and that it will obey, abide by, keep, and perform, all the constitutional laws, rules, and regulations of the said Grand Encampment.

Resolved, That the above resolution be transmitted to the General Grand Recorder of the said General Grand Encampment.

About this time it appears that a Knight Templar claiming authority from the Deputy Grand Master to create knights and found encampments came to Winchester and condemned the officers of the Grand Encampment of Virginia and all their proceedings as illegal, and said that each subordinate must take a charter from the Deputy General Grand Master.

This caused a lengthy correspondence between Grand Master Daniel W. Thomas and the General Grand Master, Sir DeWitt Clinton, who fully vindicated the Grand Master of Virginia.

About this time doubts arose in the minds of some as to the legality of the charters, and Richmond Encampment No. 2, taking the place of Mount Carmel Encampment No. 2, which had surrendered her dispensation.

The three remaining encampments held a convention in Winchester, March 23, 1825, and reorganized the Grand Encampment of Virginia.

Met in Winchester on the 14th day of November, 1825, Most Eminent Daniel W. Thomas, Grand Master, and representatives of two encampments not attending, general business was postponed until the next annual assembly.

Assembled in Winchester 13th of November, 1826, Most Eminent Daniel W. Thomas, Grand Master.

DeMolay Encampment No. 4, of Lynchburg, chartered.

Assembled in Winchester, November 13, 1827. Most Eminent Daniel W. Thomas, Grand Master. Seven subordinate encampments report 143 members.

Assembled in Winchester 10th of November, 1829. Most Eminent Daniel W. Thomas, Grand Master. Seven encampments report 153 members.

Assembled in Winchester, November 8, 1830. Most Eminent Chas. A. Grice elected Grand Master.

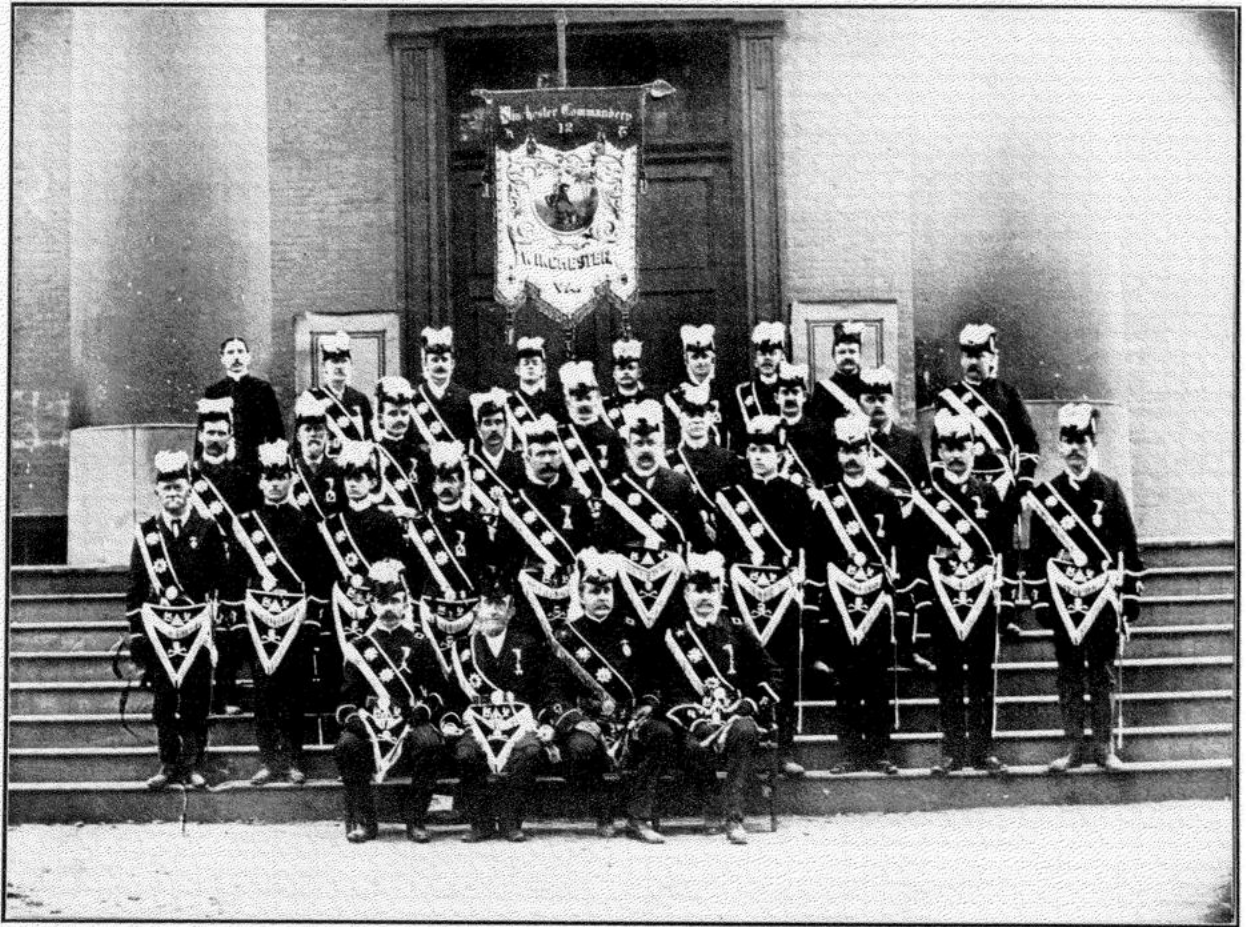
Assembled in Winchester, November 12, 1831. Most Eminent Chas. A. Grice, Grand Master.

There is no record of a meeting before the 12th of December, 1834, which was held in the Mason's Hall in the town of Petersburg. Most Eminent Chas. A. Grice, Grand Master.

No record of a meeting until 1839, when, by order of Most Eminent Chas. A. Grice, Grand Master, a special assembly was held in the Mason's Hall on Tabb street, in the town of Petersburg, on the 19th day of January, 1839. At this Grand Conclave, rotation in office was recommended by Most Eminent Chas. A. Grice, Grand Master, who declined re-election, and Most Eminent John Pollard of Appomattox Encampment No. 6, Petersburg, was elected Grand Master.

There are no proceedings until December 12, 1845, when an assembly of delegates met in the Mason's Hall in the city of Richmond by legal notice duly given from DeMolay Encampment No. 4.

Present: Sir Knight E. H. Gill, Winchester Encampment No. 1; Sir Knight John Dove, Sir Knight Jas. V. Hardwicke, Sir Knight Jas. Nesbitt, Richmond Encampment No. 2; Sir



VIRGINIA-WINCHESTER COMMANDERY NO. 12, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, WINCHESTER.

Knight E. H. Gill, Sir Knight Robert H. Gray, Sir Knight Jas. Dolan, Sir Knight Thos. J. Hardy, DeMolay Encampment No. 4; Sir Knight Chas. A. Grice, Sir Knight John B. Hardy, Portsmouth Encampment No. 5; Sir Knight John A. Sowers, Sir Knight Jas. D. McCabe, Bannister Encampment No. 8.

The chairman offered the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Most Eminent Grand Encampment of Virginia has failed for the past six or eight years to hold its regular sessions, thereby preventing the dissemination of our sublime degrees, and, whereas, it is evident that the reorganization of the late Grand Encampment of Virginia is impossible from various causes; therefore,

Resolved, by this convention, that it is expedient to form a Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of Virginia and the Appendant Orders for the State of Virginia.

Resolved, That this convention now proceed to organize a Grand Encampment for the State of Virginia by the adoption of a constitution and the election of officers for the same.

Resolved. That this Grand Encampment do now proceed to the election of officers. Most Eminent Chas. A. Grice was elected Grand Master and Right Eminent John Dove, Grand Recorder.

Resolved, That the Grand Recorder and the Grand Treasurer be requested to have the papers, books and all other property of the Grand Encampment now in Petersburg, removed therefrom and deposited in the Mason's Hall in the city of Richmond.

There is no data by which we can ascertain the number of subordinate encampments or the number of members in the State at this time. The convention, however, was composed of delegates from six subordinates, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 8.

The Grand Encampment assembled in the Mason's Hall in the city of Richmond, December 17, 1846. Most Eminent Chas. A. Grice, Grand Master, and Right Eminent John Dove, Grand Recorder.

No quorum present December 16, 1847.

None present December 13, 1848.

A special assembly was held by order of the Most Eminent Chas. A. Grice, Grand Commander, on the 23d day of February, 1849, (notice he is here for the first time styled Grand Commander). The same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. At this assembly the question of the jurisdiction of the General Grand Encampment of the United States of America came up, referred to a committee who made a voluminous report, recommending independent action of the General Grand Encampment, which was laid over to the next assembly, and in 1851 was finally decided by acknowledging its jurisdiction.

At the assembly held December 13, 1849, Most Eminent E. H. Gill was elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent John Dove, Grand Recorder.

December 13, 1850, same officers re-elected.

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer pay the Grand Recorder \$15 for his services ending this day. Five subordinates report 171 members. Four, no returns.

During recess January 15, 1851, according to a resolution adopted by the Grand Commandery December 13, 1850, the Grand Commander recognized the jurisdiction of the General Grand Encampment of the United States of America.

On account of a change in the time of meeting of the Legislature of Virginia, the Grand Commander ordered a change in the time of assembling to the 12th day of January, 1852.

Manner of voting adopted.

The Most Eminent Grand Commander, one vote as Grand Commander.

The Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo, Grand Captain General, and Grand Prelate, collectively, one vote.

Grand Senior Warden, Grand Junior Warden, Grand Recorder, Grand Treasurer, Grand Standard Bearer, Grand Sword Bearer, and Grand Warder, collectively, one vote.

Past Grand Commanders, collectively, one vote.

Past Grand Commanders of working Commanderies, collectively, one vote.

The representatives of each Commandery, collectively, one vote.

In case of a tie the Most Eminent Grand Commander shall have the casting vote. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Six Commanderies report 233 members.

Assembled December 16, 1852, Most Eminent E. H. Gill, re-elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent John Dove, Grand Recorder.

Committee of three appointed to inquire into the expediency of withdrawing from the jurisdiction of the General Grand Encampment of the United States of America. Ten subordinates report 254 members.

Assembled December 16, 1853. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. The committee appointed at the last assembly report that it is inexpedient at this time to take any measures for the withdrawal of the Grand Commandery of Virginia from the General Grand Commandery of the United States of America.

Wheeling Commandery became a constituent of the Grand Encampment of Virginia. 310 Sir Knights reported.

A. D. 1854. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected.

Dove Commandery of Danville, chartered. Grand Recorder paid \$30 for his services. No returns from No. 6. Members reported, 286.

Death of Grand Senior Warden, Sir Edward Pendleton Hunter reported.

Assembled December 14, 1855. Suffolk Encampment chartered.

Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Five Commanderies report 204 members. Four no returns.

Assembled December 11, 1856. Most Eminent Grand Commander's address notices a very gratifying revival of interest in Templar Masonry.

The officers of every Commandery, grand or subordinate,

before entering upon the exercise of their several offices must take the following obligation:

"I, A. B., do promise and vow that I will support and maintain the constitution of the General Grand Encampment of the United States of America."

Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Eight Commanderies report 310 members.

1857. The Committee on Foreign Correspondence reported on the proceedings of seven Grand Commanderies. The Grand Commanderies of Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, and Indiana, agreeing with Virginia, and Maine dissenting with regard to the jurisdiction of the General Grand Encampment. The same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Eight Commanderies report 348 members.

Called Conclave 22d February, 1858. A handsome banner was presented by Sir W. B. Isaacs on behalf of Mrs. E. H. Gill, with very appropriate remarks by the donor and receiver. After the reception of the banner the Grand Commandery was called on, the Most Eminent Grand Commander informed the Sir Knights that the Grand Commandery had been called to act as a mounted escort to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Virginia, on the occasion of the inauguration of the equestrian statue of George Washington. The Grand Commander having accepted the invitation of the Grand Lodge to perform that duty, the Grand Commandery, consisting of 110 Sir Knights, mounted in full regalia, then proceeded to the Masonic Hall and escorted the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge to the Capitol Square, where the inauguration took place. This was a most interesting occasion and did space allow, many noble sentiments that were uttered at the banquet tendered the visiting Sir Knights and officers of the Grand Lodge by Richmond Commandery No. 2 would be appropriate.

As a participant of that grand occasion, the writer reads them with a peculiar pleasure.

Assembled December 16, 1858. Gill Commandery No. 3 chartered. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected.

Resolved, That the subordinate Commanderies be required to pay an annual contribution of 50 cents per member, provided, that no commandery shall pay less than \$10.00. Eight Commanderies report 408 members.

Assembled December 16, 1859. The Most Eminent Grand Commander alludes in his address to the visit of DeMolay Commandery of Boston, and St. John's Commandery of Providence, to Richmond Commandery No. 2. The visit lasted several days. The pageant on the 17th was grand and imposing. Upwards of 300 Sir Knights in full costume were in line. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Eight Commanderies report 435 members.

Assembled December 13, 1860. General Grand Encampment prescribes Templar uniform and burial service. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Six Commanderies report 342 members.

Assembled in the city of Richmond, December 12, 1861. Correspondence between General Grand Commander B. B. French and Grand Commander E. H. Gill as to duties of Knights Templar in time of war of invasion. Four Commanderies report 274 members.

Assembled December 11, 1862. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Four Commanderies report 274 members.

Assembled December 17, 1863. LeMineus Commandery No. 13, Lake City, Fla., chartered. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Five Commanderies report 433 members.

Assembled December 15, 1864. Johnson Commandery No. 14 chartered. Winston Commandery No. 15, Winston, N. C., chartered.

Resolved, That hereafter, the annual contributions of the subordinate Commanderies to this Grand Commandery shall be \$1.00 per member, and \$5.00 for each knight created. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Four Commanderies report 424 members.

Assembled December 13, 1865, in the city of Richmond. The

Grand Commandery renews its allegiance to the General Grand Encampment of the United States of America. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. The law of the last annual convention repealed and 50 cents per member and \$1.00 for each knight created adopted. Four Commanderies report 582 members.

Assembled December 12, 1866. Grice Commandery reports. Gill Commandery No. 3, Palestine Commandery No. 9, Suffolk Commandery No. 8, and Winchester Commandery No. 11 declared extinct. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Nine Commanderies report 751 members.

Assembled December 11, 1867. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Eight Commanderies report 577 members.

Assembled December 12, 1868. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Nine Commanderies report 629 members.

Assembled December 10, 1869. Death of Grand Commander E. H. Gill. Died December 20, 1868. Right Eminent John Robin McDaniel elected Grand Commander. Right Eminent John Dove, Grand Recorder.

Committee report it inexpedient to change the law regarding affiliation in lodge and chapter to become and remain members of the Order.

A. P. Abell Commandery No. 3 at Charlottesville, chartered. Stevenson Commandery No. 4 at Staunton, chartered. Gill Commandery revived and chartered by the name, title, and designation of "Star of the West" Commandery No. 12. Eleven Commanderies report 594 members.

Assembled December 12, 1870. Jurisdiction over Winston Commandery No. 11, Winston, N. C., relinquished and charter returned.

Winchester Commandery revived. No subordinate Commanderies can decide cases of emergency. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Eleven Commanderies report 653 members. Death of Past Grand Commander, Chas. A. Grice, reported.

Assembled December 12, 1871. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Eleven Commanderies report 686 members. Sir Emmanuel Semon, Grand Sentinel from 1845 to 1855, Grand Steward for fifteen years, died July 9, 1871, age seventy-two.

Assembled September 18, 1872, at the Montgomery White Sulphur Springs, Most Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs elected Grand Commander. Same Grand Recorder re-elected. Committee appointed in reference to the order of the General Grand Encampment as to uniform reported that all the Commanderies of this jurisdiction be required to conform in the matter of equipment to the regulations of the General Grand Encampment of the United States, provided, that such Commanderies as are already equipped shall be allowed to retain their present uniform until they shall see fit to alter the same when they shall be required to conform to the regulations.

The Grand Commandery was dismissed to assemble on Tuesday after the second Monday in December or during the pleasure of the Grand Commander.

Assembled in Richmond December 11, 1873. Committee on Revision of Constitution report. In framing a constitution for a Grand Commandery the exact language of the General Grand Encampment must be followed and adhered to, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the constitution of the General Grand Encampment of the United States shall be adopted by this Grand Commandery. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Twelve Commanderies report 673 members.

Assembled 1874. Formation of the Grand Commandery of West Virginia in February, 1874. Lengthy correspondence about regulation and uniform. Richmond Commandery No. 2, however, did visit New Orleans and were admitted in their handsome clothing, which was much admired and the rigid rule of the General Grand Encampment on that subject was relaxed. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Ten Commanderies report 685 members.

Assembled October 13, 1875, in the city of Petersburg.

DISCUSSIONS.

1st. Has a Knight Templar the legal right to be a member of two Commanderies at the same time? He has not.

2d. Has a Commandery the right to rescind a ballot for the election of a member? It has not.

3d. Has a Commandery the right to refuse a dimit to a member who is free of the treasurer's books and in good standing? It has not.

4th. Has an Eminent Commander the right to stop or suspend the discussion of any question or rule it out of order? He has.

Sustained by the committee and Grand Commander.

Fredericksburg Commandery No. 1 chartered. Right Eminent Robert E. Withers elected Grand Commander. Same Grand Recorder re-elected. Eleven Commanderies report 710 members.

Assembled at Alexandria, November 15, and 16, 1876. Death of Right Eminent John Dove, November 16, 1876. Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Virginia from 1845 to the time of his death. We wish that we had space to make copious extracts from the memorial of the committee of the Grand Commandery. Suffice it to say that his mortal remains lie peacefully in the Masonic section in Hollywood, over which as a tribute to his many years of labor for the benefit of the craft, the Grand Lodge of Virginia has erected a beautiful and imposing monument to his memory. Right Eminent Robert E. Withers elected Grand Commander; Very Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs elected Grand Recorder. Thirteen Commanderies report 754 members.

Assembled October 9, 1877, in the city of Lynchburg. The Most Eminent Grand Commander decided, according to his construction of the law of the General Grand Encampment: First, that membership in lodge and chapter was not essential to membership in the Commandery. Second, that suspension in lodge or chapter for any other cause than non-payment of dues affects suspension in a Commandery. Third, that suspension for non-payment of dues does not affect

standing in the Commandery. Fourth, a member who withdraws voluntarily from a Blue Lodge can retain his membership in a Commandery. Fifth, it is not incumbent on a member of a Commandery to be a member in good standing of a Blue Lodge.

Reported decisions of the General Grand Master at the last Triennial Conclave: First, the signing of a petition for a new Commandery suspends membership in the old, and the issuance of a charter severs membership with the old Commandery.

Second. A Past Commander may open a Commandery in the absence of the three principal officers, preside therein and confer the orders.

Third. The form of a petition for the orders can not be altered; no new qualifications can be added to, nor any taken from those already established.

Fourth. When a Commandery has rejected a petition no other Commandery can receive a petition from the same party without the consent of the Commandery rejecting.

Fifth. That jurisdiction attaches from a favorable ballot on a petition.

Sixth. A Commandery may enact a by-law disfranchising a members for non-payment of dues, provided, that notice be given and an opportunity to be heard before final action is taken.

Seventh. It is lawful to suspend for non-payment of dues, in accordance with the by-laws and by a vote of the Commandery, without the form of a trial, unless the delinquency be denied.

Eighth. That a suspended Sir Knight may be restored to good standing without a restoration to membership.

Ninth. Commissioners may be appointed to take evidence and examine witnesses in a trial of a Knight Templar, but can simply report the evidence thus taken without any finding of their own.

Tenth. After paying the liabilities of a defunct Commandery its property reverts to the Grand Commandery.

Sir Knights Jas A. Scott, Wm. B. Isaacs, W. E. Tanner, Jas. Evans, and Jno. F. Regnault were appointed trustees of the Grand Commandery. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected.

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed to revise the work of the several degrees pertaining to the Commandery, and that they report and exemplify the work at the next Grand Annual Conclave.

Resolved, That the Most Eminent Grand Commander, Robt. E. Withers, be requested to ask the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States to suspend the edict of the said Grand Body concerning affiliation of suspended Blue Lodge and Royal Arch Masons, so far as this Grand Jurisdiction is concerned. Fourteen Commanderies report 804 members.

Assembled in Norfolk, Va., on the 12th day of November, 1878.

Decisions: First. That with the consent of the Grand Master an officer of a Commandery under dispensation can resign.

Second. A member of a Commandery under dispensation can not resign until after a charter shall have been issued.

Third. A member then withdrawing stands in the same position of one who desires to withdraw from one Commandery to join another.

Fourth. Membership which was in abeyance as to the old Commandery, pending the issuance of a charter, reverts to the old Commandery only when a charter is refused to the Commandery under dispensation.

Commandery of Saint Andrew No. 13, Richmond, Va., chartered. Right Eminent Jas. G. Bain elected Grand Commander; Very Eminent W. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Fourteen Commanderies report 852 members. Right Eminent Jno. Robin McDaniel, Past Grand Commander, died May 14, 1878.

Assembled in Richmond, November 12, 1879. The Right Eminent Grand Prelate, Geo. W. Dame, according to appoint-

ment at the last Grand Conclave, made a most excellent address on the nature, character, and practice of Templar duties, which ought to be in the archives of every lodge, chapter, and Commandery of this Jurisdiction. Were the principles laid down by him carefully studied and wisely acted upon, Templar Masonry would be but another name for unsullied honor, strict integrity, and the practice of the Christian virtues.

Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. R. B. Grant tactics adopted.

Resolved, That the custom of ordering the subordinate Commanderies to attend the sessions of this Grand Body is inexpedient and in many cases oppressive, and that hereafter none but the council officers be ordered to attend, but this shall not interfere with the wishes of any subordinate Commandery in whose Asylum the Grand Commandery may be assembled, who may desire to invite any sister Commanderies to be present with the Grand Commandery. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Thirteen Commanderies report 809 members.

Assembled at Old Point November 25, 1880. The law of the General Grand Encampment of the United States allows non-affiliates in lodge and chapter to receive the orders. R. E. Jno. F. Regnault elected Grand Commander; R. E. W. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Fourteen Commanderies report 800 members.

Assembled at Yorktown, October 18, 1881, in camp. Met pursuant to order at last Grand Conclave. The Right Eminent Grand Commander informed the Grand Commandery that he had accepted the invitation of the Most Worshipful P. S. Coles, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, to perform escort duty in performing the ceremony delegated to it by the United States Congressional Commissioner to lay the cornerstone of a monument to be erected at Yorktown. The Grand Commandery was joined in the procession by Mary Commandery No. 36, Pennsylvania, Columbia Commandery No. 2, Washington, D. C., and the following distinguished visitors were present:

Right Eminent Geo. W. Kendrick, Jr., Grand Commander

of Pennsylvania; Mark Richards Markle, Grand Treasurer, of Pennsylvania; Albert G. Goodall, Grand Sword Bearer, New York; W. T. Reynolds, Past Commander of Kadosh Commandery No. 29, Pennsylvania; Thos. J. Shyrook, Commander Beauseant Commandery No. 29, Maryland; Most Worshipful J. S. Tysor, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania; Most Worshipful Jos. H. Watson, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland.

After the ceremony at the corner stone, the line was reformed and escorted the Grand Lodge to its quarters in camp and was then closed until the next morning at 9 o'clock. Wednesday, October 19th.

M. E. Peyton S. Coles elected Grand Commander. Very Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Fourteen Commanderies report 824 members.

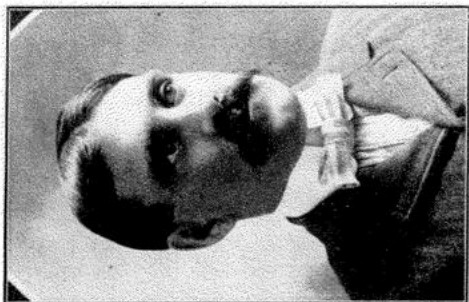
Assembled August 10, 1882, in the city of Lynchburg, Va. Fauquier Commandery organized. Sir Knight Jas. Evans, for many years Grand Treasurer, died 17th February, 1882.

Resolved, That it will be the duty of this Grand Body to provide for its present Past Grand Commanders a suitable jewel in recognition of that honorable position, to be presented at the next Grand Annual Assembly, and that in future all Most Eminent Commanders, on retiring from that office, shall be presented with a like jewel by this Grand Body at or before the next succeeding Grand Annual Assembly.

Resolved, That the presiding councils be and are hereby charged with this duty in perpetuity and endowed with plenary powers to select and have said jewel properly and appropriately engraved and to draw upon the Grand Treasurer for the same.

Resolved, That should the funds of the Grand Treasurer at any time be inadequate for this purpose that it is the order of this Grand Body that an assessment sufficient for the above purpose shall be made per capita upon the Commanderies of this jurisdiction whenever such an assessment is deemed necessary by the Grand Council. Fauquier Commandery No. 13 at Markham, Va., chartered.

Resolved, That the representatives to the General Grand



SIR KT. HUGH WOODRUM O'KEEFE.
Captain General—Bluefield, W. Va.



SIR KT. JAMES FRANKLIN HURT.
Junior Warden—Tazewell.



EM. SIR JAMES O'KEEFE.
Commander for ten years in succession—Tazewell.



SIR KT. WILLIAM JAMES KREAMER.
Senior Warden—Sword's Creek.

VIRGINIA--CLINCH VALLEY COMMANDERY NO. 20, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, TAZEWELL.



SIR KT. REV. CHARLES ROBERT BROWN.
Prelate Clinch Valley No. 20—Tazewell,
W. Va.



SIR KT. MARTIN MARRA.
Standard Bearer, Clinch Valley No. 20—Bluefield,
W. Va.



SIR KT. CHARLES AUGUSTA PAUL.
Sword Bearer Clinch Valley No. 20—Bluefield,
W. Va.



EM. SIR JOHN C. TUCKER.
Past Commander Hampton No. 17—Hampton.

VIRGINIA-COMMANDERIES: CLINCH VALLEY NO. 20, TAZEWELL
HAMPTON NO. 17 HAMPTON.

Encampment of the United States be instructed to make application for, and to use their best efforts to obtain a repeal of Chapter No. 32 of the Code of Statutes of the said General Grand Encampment. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Fourteen Commanderies report 806 members.

Assembled in the city of Danville on the 10th day of October, 1883. Most Eminent Jno. L. Roper elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Sir Oscar M. Marshall, Grand Treasurer, died July 15, 1883. Thirteen Commanderies report 812 members.

Assembled in Petersburg, October 8, 1884. Eminent Sir Jas. A. Scott died on the 20th day of May, 1884, "a true and zealous Sir Knight, for a number of years chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, whose able reports have been read by the Templars of this and all of our sister Grand Commanderies with so much pleasure and profit. A beautiful Christian character; none knew him but to love him."

Committee on Grand Commander's Address report the following:

Resolved, That the Grand Commander may appoint representatives to represent this Grand Commandery in any or all of our sister Grand Commanderies under the jurisdiction of the General Grand Encampment of the United States, and all resolutions heretofore on this subject are hereby repealed. The committee heartily approves the action of the Right Eminent Grand Commander in assigning the several officers the duty of visiting and inspecting the subordinate Commanderies, and hopes that the precedent thus set may be followed by the succeeding Grand Commanders. Right Eminent Frank A. Reed, elected Grand Commander; Very Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs, re-elected Grand Recorder. Thirteen Commanderies duty to Lodge No. 40 and the Grand Lodge of Virginia in pay report 836 members.

Special Assembly Sunday, June 14, 1885, to perform escorting the last sad tribute of respect to the remains of Sir Knight Jno. F. Regnault, Right Eminent Past Grand Com-

mander of the Grand Commandery of Virginia. The lines were formed and proceeded to discharge the duty for which the Assembly had been ordered. It was then dismissed subject to the pleasure of the Grand Commander.

Assembled in St. Alban's Hall in the city of Richmond, November 18, 1885. Same Grand Commander and Grand Recorder re-elected. Fourteen Commanderies report 862 members.

Assembled in St. Alban's Hall in the city of Richmond November 14, 1886. Right Eminent W. H. H. Lynn elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs, re-elected Grand Recorder. Fourteen Commanderies report 886 members. Eminent Commander Robt. S. Chew, Commander of Commandery No. 1, Fredericksburg, Va., died August 17, 1886.

Assembled in the city of Petersburg, November 24, 1887. W. H. H. Lynn Commandery No. 9, Marion, Va., chartered. Dues of subordinate Commanderies raised to 75 cents per member and \$1.00 for each knight created. Report of the Committee on Grand Commander's Address. Recommend that a committee of three be appointed to prepare a code of statutes for the government of the subordinate Commanderies of this jurisdiction, and that they be especially charged with the duty of framing a law providing for the removal of a Commandery from one point of its chartered district to another, to report at the next Grand Annual Conclave.

Resolved, That on the return of the dispensation and papers of Hampton Commandery that the Right Eminent Grand Commander be authorized to continue the dispensation or issue a charter as he may deem proper and expedient. Right Eminent Sir Peyton S. Coles, Past Grand Commander, died on the 25th of June, 1887. The General Grand Commandery reports the death of the Rev. Sir John G. Webster, Grand Prelate of the General Grand Encampment; Right Eminent Jas. B. Blanks elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Fifteen Commanderies report 884 members.

Assembled in St. Alban's Hall in the city of Richmond, November 13, 1888. Law for the removal of subordinate Commanderies:

Section 1. If the building in which the Commandery steadily meets shall be destroyed or become unfit for the meetings of the Commandery the meetings shall be held temporarily in such place in its territorial district as may be ordered by the Eminent Commander.

Sec. 2. Any proposition for the permanent removal of the place of meeting of a Commandery must be made at a stated assembly. The motion shall be recorded in the minutes and the Recorder shall notify the members to attend at the next stated assembly for its consideration.

Sec. 3. If the Eminent Commander approves the proposition a majority shall be sufficient to adopt it. If he does not approve it a vote of two-thirds shall be necessary.

Sec. 4. A Commandery can not remove outside of its territorial jurisdiction without the consent of the Eminent Grand Commander.

Sec. 5. The Recorder shall promptly inform the Grand Recorder of any such removal.

Special Committee on Code of Statutes made their report; important, but too lengthy for our prescribed limit. Right Eminent Jas. L. Beck elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder.

Resolved, That the constitutional members of the Grand Encampment be assessed in their individual account the sum of \$3.00 in addition to the assessment of their respective Commanderies, and that the Grand Treasurer be charged with the duty of collecting the same. Sixteen Commanderies report 893 members.

Assembled 1889. It was decided that the Grand Commandery had the right to make special assessments to raise a fund to be used by the order of the Grand Commander in defraying the expenses of the Grand Commandery at the next Grand Triennial Conclave. The following resolutions of the Gen-

eral Grand Encampment were reported to the Grand Commandery:

Resolved, That the ritual of the Order of the Temple was legally adopted in 1886.

Resolved, That the Grand Commander of Iowa exceeded his authority in recalling the ritual, which was distributed by order of the General Grand Encampment and is deserving of censure. Bayard Commandery of Roanoke chartered. Olivet Commandery No. 18 at Crewe, Va., chartered.

Resolved, That the code of statutes be amended, adding to article 3 a new section:

Sec. 12. No Commandery in this Grand Jurisdiction shall confer the Order of Knighthood on any petitioner therefor, who is a resident of any other State or Territory in which there is a Grand Commandery or a subordinate of the General Grand Encampment of the United States. Right Eminent Sir Isaac S. Tower elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Sir Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Deaths: Right Eminent Sir Jas. G. Bain, Past Grand Commander, died February 25, 1889; Eminent Sir Thos. J. Evans, Deputy Grand Commander, died September 23, 1889; Eminent Sir Lucian L. Bass, Past Commander No. 2, died June 8, 1889; Eminent George Ainslie, Past Commander of No. 2 died November 4. Eighteen Commanderies report 1,024 members.

Assembled at Roanoke, October 30, 1890. Luray Commandery No. 19 chartered. Three hundred and fifty dollars appropriated to the endowment fund of the Masonic Home of Virginia. Right Eminent Daniel J. Turner elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Nineteen Commanderies report 1,068 members.

Assembled November 12, 1891, in the city of Petersburg. Decision that a companion who could not read or write was not eligible to receive the orders of Knighthood. Right Eminent Jas. L. Avis elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs, re-elected Grand Recorder. Eighteen Commanderies report 1,111 members.

Assembled at the Masonic Temple in the city of Richmond,

October 12, 1892. The ritual adopted at the General Grand Encampment at Denver and promulgated for the use of all Grand and Subordinate Commanderies. Clinch Valley Commandery No. 20 chartered. Past Grand Commander Isaac S. Tower died January 29, 1892; Eminent Sir Wm. T. Allen, Grand Treasurer died October 6, 1892, in the sixty-fourth year of his age; Right Eminent Sir Fred Greenwood elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Eighteen Commanderies report 1,203 members.

Assembled in the Masonic Temple in the city of Richmond, October 12, 1893. Committee on the Educational Interests of the Masonic Home reported. It was resolved that a permanent committee of three be appointed to take charge of said interests, and an annual appropriation of \$300 be made for the use of the committee in carrying out this object.

Resolved, That the annual dues of the subordinate Commanderies be increased to \$1 per capita per annum and that 25 cents of which shall be appropriated to the educational fund of the Masonic Home. Right Eminent E. E. Downham elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Eighteen Commanderies report 1,251 members.

Assembled in the Masonic Temple in the city of Richmond, November 15, 1894.

Resolved, That the Eminent Commanders of the several subordinate Commanderies of this jurisdiction be requested and earnestly desired to prepare or have prepared a sketch or full history of their Commanderies and forward the same to the Grand Commander and report at the next annual assembly.

Resolved, That the tactics of the General Grand Encampment be adopted as the tactics of the Grand Commandery of Virginia and the subordinate Commanderies of this jurisdiction. Right Eminent J. Park Corbin elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs re-elected Grand Recorder. Nineteen Commanderies report 1,364 members.

A special assembly was held in the Masonic Temple June 19, 1895. The Grand Commander informed the Sir Knights

that this special assembly had been called to pay the last sad tribute of respect and love to our late brother, companion, and friend, Right Eminent Wm. B. Isaacs, Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Virginia; Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia; Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Virginia, and Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, who died on Sunday morning, June 9, 1895, about four o'clock. We fear that we have already exceeded the limits of this brief sketch. At the risk of censure we must give the committee's memorial report:

"The hearts of Knight Templar not only in Virginia but from the Atlantic to the Pacific were made sad indeed when on that bright summer morn, June 9, 1895, the mournful news was flashed from shore to shore, that the name of our honored and beloved Grand Recorder had been stricken from the roll of human existence. For half a century he had occupied a seat at the desk of the Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Virginia, and as a token of affection we place on record this tribute to his memory. His life was full of the many good deeds that make the world better for his having lived in it. He had so lived that when the summons came he obeyed the call and approached the grave 'like one who wraps the drapery of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams.' He was genial, social, loving; when he grasped your hand you felt that it was the grasp of friendship. In his death Templar Masonry has lost a valuable worker, the community in which he lived a good citizen, a generous neighbor, and a true friend, his family a devoted husband and loving father. His daily life was one worthy of emulation, and his death a calamity to the fraternity not soon to be repaired. God grant that as our lives speed onward they shall exhibit the same love and devotion to the Order that was manifested in the life of our departed Frater.

"JAS. B. BLANKS,

"A. R. COURTNEY,

"JOS. V. BEDGOOD."

Orders in very feeling terms were issued by the Right Eminent Grand Commander of Virginia and by the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States.

In the case of St. Omar Commandery of Tennessee against Johnson Commandery referred to the General Grand Encampment, the Grand Encampment decided that the residence alone decided jurisdiction. Two hundred dollars was appropriated for the Masonic Home library. Right Eminent John T. Parham elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Jas. B. Blanks elected Grand Recorder. Twenty Commanderies report 1,455 members. Deaths: Right Eminent Sir W. H. H. Lynn died June 19, 1896; Right Eminent Sir Frank A. Reed died August 23, 1896.

Assembled in the Masonic Temple in the city of Richmond, November 26, 1896. Right Eminent Edward H. Miller elected Grand Commander. Right Eminent Jas. B. Blanks re-elected Grand Recorder. Twenty Commanderies report 1,481 members. Very Eminent Sir Geo. W. Dame, Grand Prelate, died the 24th day of December, 1895, aged eighty-three years. A beautiful and feeling memorial report is made; we wish we could give it.

Assembled in Petersburg December 6, 1897. Right Eminent J. H. Capers, elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Jas. B. Blanks re-elected Grand Recorder.

Resolved, That in future the officers of the Grand Commandery elect shall appear in full dress of a Templar on foot for installation.

The resolution of the General Grand Encampment:

Resolved, That the Order of the Knight of the Red Cross, Knights Templar, and Knight of Malta shall be conferred upon all candidates before they shall be permitted to sign the by-laws or become members of the Commandery. Twenty Commanderies report 1,472 members.

Assembled in the Masonic Temple in the city of Richmond, November 10, 1898. Right Eminent P. T. Woodfin elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Jas. B. Blanks, re-elected

Grand Recorder. Twenty Commanderies report 1,486 members.

Assembled in the Masonic Temple in the city of Richmond on November 16, 1899. Right Eminent R. F. Buchanan elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Jas. B. Blanks, re-elected Grand Recorder. Twenty Commanderies report 1,488 members; twenty-one Commanderies report 1,713 members.

Assembled in the Masonic Temple in the city of Richmond on November 14, 1900. Right Eminent James Edward Alexander elected Grand Commander; Right Eminent Jas. B. Blanks re-elected Grand Recorder. Twenty-one Commanderies report 1,638 members.

Assembled in the Masonic Temple in the city of Richmond on November 13, 1901. Right Eminent John Edward Townes elected Grand Commander. Right Eminent Jas. B. Blanks re-elected Grand Recorder. Twenty-one Commanderies report 1,713 members.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901-02.

R. E. Sir Knight John Edward Townes, Petersburg, Grand Commander.

V. E. Sir Knight Thomas LeSueur, Bristol, Deputy Grand Commander.

E. Sir Knight James Wilson Bryant, Crewe, Grand Generalissimo.

E. Sir Knight Thomas Edward Schwartz, Luray, Grand Captain General.

E. Sir Knight Frank Ward Cunningham, Richmond, Grand Senior Warden.

E. Sir Knight James O'Keefe, Tazewell, Grand Junior Warden.

E. Sir Knight George Wilson Poe, Richmond, Grand Treasurer.

R. E. Sir Knight James Braxton Blanks, Petersburg, Grand Recorder.

E. Sir Knight Travis Butler Thames, D. D., Danville, Grand Prelate.

E. Sir Knight Henry Marshall Boykin, Richmond, Grand Standard Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Thomas Jacob Nottingham, Norfolk, Grand Sword Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Rev. Frank Talbott McFadden, Lynchburg, Grand Warden.

E. Sir Knight Charles Albert Nesbitt, Richmond, Deputy Grand Recorder.

Sir Knight William Collier Wilkinson, Richmond, Grand Captain Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Daniel Walker Thomas.
 *Charles Augusta Grice.
 *John Pollard.
 *Edward Hall Gill.
 *John Robin McDaniel.
 *William Bryan Isaacs.
 Robert Enoch Withers.

*James Gaskin Bain.
 *John Farran Regnault.
 *Peyton Skipwith Coles.
 John Lonsdale Roper.
 *Frank Avery Reed.
 *William H. Harrison Lynn.
 James Braxton Blanks.

James Lee Beck.
 *Isaac Stoddard Tower.
 Daniel James Turner.
 James Little Avis.
 Fred Greenwood.
 Emanuel Ethelbert Dowham.
 James Parke Corbin.

John Thomas Parham.
 Edward Howe Miller.
 James Hamilton Capers.
 *Philip Trasher Woodfin.
 Benjamin Franklin Buchanan.
 James Edward Alexander.

*DECEASED.

Virginia Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
64	1	FREDERICKSBURG	Fredericksburg	James T. Lowery	James P. Corbin
141	2	RICHMOND	Richmond	Geo. J. Hooper	W. M. Williams
26	3	CHARLOTTESVILLE	Charlottesville	William H. Wood	T. J. Williams
161	4	DEMOLAY	Lynchburg	William M. Waller Jr.	Daniel T. Walker
59	5	PORTSMOUTH	Portsmouth	R. E. Warren	John W. Rutter
71	6	APPOMATTOX	Petersburg	Charles E. Borst	John E. Townes
77	7	DOVE	Danville	Geo. C. Cabell Jr.	S. W. Martin
88	8	STEVENSON	Staunton	E. M. Funkhouser	W. B. McChesney
125	9	LYNN	Marion	George W. Wright	James W. Sheffey
34	10	HARRISONBURG	Harrisonburg	Ed. S. Conrad	John P. Burke
126	11	OLD DOMINION	Alexandria	T. S. Netherland	K. Kemper
49	12	WINCHESTER	Winchester	A. M. Baker	J. E. Correll
145	13	ST. ANDREW	Richmond	E. D. Hotchkiss	George C. Jefferson
53	14	JOHNSON	Bristol	R. M. Ferguson	E. S. Kendrick
99	15	BAYARD	Roanoke	W. C. Stephenson	J. E. Reichardt
126	16	GRICE	Norfolk	William T. Core	George B. Jenkins
64	17	HAMPTON	Hampton	John W. Davis	James D. Winne
54	18	OLIVET	Crewe	W. D. Shufflebarger	C. E. Downs
41	19	LURAY	Luray	Thos. E. Schwartz	James H. Morrison
63	20	CLINCH VALLEY	Tazewell	James O'Keeffe	William Gage Young
47	21	CYRENE	Norton	Almon F. Litts	Thomas W. Comann
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The Order of the Temple in the State of Washington.

By
S. Harry Rush,
Past Grand
Commander of the
Grand Comman-
dery of the

State of Washington.

Feeling that the interests of Templarism could be best served in this State (then Territory), by the formation of a Grand Commandery, a stated convocation of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4 was held in its Asylum at the city of Tacoma, the 14th day of December, 1886, A. O., 768, and the following preamble and resolution was offered by Sir Knight Edward R. Hare:

WHEREAS, We have now in Washington Territory (now State) four Commanderies of Knights Templar, chartered by the Grand Encampment of the United States of America, and deeming it for the best interests of the Order that we have a Grand Commandery in the Territory, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4 that such Grand Body be formed as early as practicable, and to that end we urge the Commanderies of Washington Territory to meet in Conclave at some agreed point and take steps for the immediate organization of a Grand Commandery, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Wash-

ING reviewing the proceedings of the Grand Commandery of the State of Washington, we find that in the spring of 1887 there was located in this State four chartered Commanderies: Washington No. 1, located at Walla Walla, whose charter was received August 23, 1883; Seattle No. 2, located at Seattle, whose charter was received August 23, 1883; Cataract No. 3, located at Spokane, whose charter was received September 23, 1886, and Ivanhoe No. 4, located at Tacoma, whose charter was received September 23, 1886.

ington Commandery No. 1, Seattle Commandery No. 2, and Cataract Commandery No. 3 for their concurrent action.

At a State convocation of Seattle Commandery No. 2, held in their Asylum the following was adopted: This Commandery having received a copy of the resolutions adopted by Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4 of Tacoma, recommending the formation of a Grand Commandery for the Territory of Washington; be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of Seattle Commandery No. 2 that such Grand Body be formed, and to that end endorse the several resolutions offered by Ivanhoe, Walla Walla, and Cataract Commanderies, suggesting the formation of the Grand Commandery at Vancouver, during the coming session of the Grand Masonic bodies of this jurisdiction at that place in June, 1887.

Cataract Commandery at its stated Conclave, held at its Asylum on the 1st day of April, 1887.

Resolved, That it approves the resolutions offered by the several Commanderies in the Territory, and will join with them in forming such Grand Commandery." It was also in favor of Vancouver for the meeting place.

Washington Commandery No. 1 at its stated Conclave, held on April 20, 1887. The Recorder reported having received from Ivanhoe No. 4, Cataract No. 3, and Seattle Commandery No. 2 certified copies of resolutions adopted by their respective Commanderies regarding the formation of a Grand Commandery for the Territory of Washington.

He was then instructed to forward the resolutions received, together with a certified copy of that adopted by Washington Commandery No. 1 to the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, Charles Roome.

and named Very Eminent Sir Knight Rockey P. Earhart of the Grand Commandery of Oregon as the Sir Knight of our choice, to act as his deputy at the formation of the Grand Commandery; and that the place of organization be the city of Vancouver, W. T., during the coming session of the Grand Masonic bodies at that place in June, 1887. Also that he inform the several Commanderies of the Territory of their action, and to correspond with Very Eminent Sir Earhart, so that if the warrant is issued he could be fully advised in the premises.

PROCEEDINGS OF ORGANIZATION.

Vancouver, Washington Territory,
Thursday, June 2, 1887, A. O. 769.

Pursuant to previous notice and resolutions adopted by the several Commanderies of Knights Templar stationed in this Territory under chartered authority of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, a convention of Knights Templar was held in the city of Vancouver on Thursday the 2d day of June, A. D. 1887, A. O., 769, for the purpose of organizing a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar and Appendant Orders for the Territory of Washington.

At said convention a full representation was present from each of the several Commanderies and the object of the meeting having been stated, the warrant from Most Eminent Sir Charles Roome, Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States of America, was read, to-wit:

Grand Encampment of the Knights Templar
of the United States of America,

Office of the Grand Master,
New York, N. Y., May 5, 1887.

To all true and courteous Knights Templar, Greeting:

WHEREAS, Application has been made to me as Grand Master by four Commanderies of Knights Templar, to-wit: Wash-

ington Commandery No. 1, Seattle Commandery No. 2, Cataract Commandery No. 3, Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4, located in the Territory of Washington, that they be constituted into a Grand Commandery in and for said Territory.

I, now by virtue of the authority in me vested, do issue this my warrant, therefor, and reposing special confidence in the integrity, zeal and knowledge of our Worthy Sir Knight, Very Eminent Sir Rockey P. Earhart, of Salem, in the State of Oregon. I do by these presents constitute him my proxy for me and in my name as Grand Master of Knights Templar in the United States of America, to summon or otherwise meet at the city of Vancouver, Territory of Washington, at such time as may be convenient, such Knights Templar as may be entitled to be present for that purpose and then and there fully to organize a Grand Commandery for the Territory of Washington, in accordance with the constitution and code of statutes of the Grand Encampment, and install its officers, observing to make due return to me of his proceedings in the premises with this warrant.

Given under my hand the day and year above written.

CHAS. ROOME, Grand Master.

On motion the Grand Commandery appointed a Committee on Credentials, who reported as follows:

To the Convention of Knights Templar of Washington:

Your Committee on Credentials having performed the duty assigned them beg leave to report the following: Sir Knights present as the representatives of their respective Commanderies and duly entitled to seats in this convention, viz.:

Washington Commandery No. 1, Walla Walla.—Sir Knight Harrison W. Eagan, Eminent Commander; Sir Knight John Murray, proxy for Generalissimo; Sir Knight Yancey C. Blacklock, proxy for Captain General.

Seattle Commandery No. 2, Seattle.—Sir Knight Alfred L. Palmer, Eminent Commander; Sir Knight Alexander B. Stewart, Generalissimo; Sir Knight John F. Damon, proxy for Captain General.

Cataract Commandery No. 3, Spokane.—Sir Knight Frank A. Bettis, Eminent Commander; Sir Knight Harry G. Stimmel, proxy for Generalissimo; Sir Knight Frank A. Bettis, proxy for Captain General.

Ivanhoe Commandery No. 4, Tacoma.—Sir Knight Elijah M. Beatty, Eminent Commander; Sir Knight Charles N. Daniels, Generalissimo; Sir Knight Edward R. Hare, Captain General.

FORMATION OF GRAND COMMANDERY.

On motion of Sir Knight Bettis it was

Resolved, That it is for the best interest of the Commanderies of Knights Templar in the Territory of Washington that a Grand Commandery be now formed for this Territory in allegiance to the Grand Encampment of the United States, and that a committee be appointed to draft a code of statutes and regulations for the government and use for said Grand Commandery.

In accordance with the above resolution the following Sir Knights were appointed said committee: Sir Knight Murray, Hare and Stimmel, and for the committee Sir Knight Murray reported the statutes and regulations which were adopted.

The convention then proceeded to the election of officers for the Grand Commandery of the Territory of Washington, which resulted as follows:

The Rev. and Sir Knight Harrison W. Eagan, Grand Commander; Sir Alfred L. Palmer, Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Harry G. Stimmel, Grand Generalissimo; Sir Elijah M. Beatty, Grand Captain General; Sir John F. Damon, Grand Prelate; Sir Giles W. Clark, Grand Senior Warden; Sir Edward R. Hare, Grand Junior Warden; Sir Walter J. Thompson, Grand Treasurer; Sir John Murray, Grand Recorder; Sir Alexander B. Stewart, Grand Standard Bearer; Sir Yancey C. Blalock, Grand Sword Bearer; Sir Frank P. Weymouth, Grand Warden; Sir Charles N. Daniels, Grand Captain of the Guard.

Very Eminent Sir Rockey P. Earhart as the proxy of the Most Eminent Grand Master Charles Roome installed the several Grand Officers elected and appointed in due form.

Sir Knight Seth L. Pope, of Portland, Oregon, the Grand Marshal, then made proclamation that the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the Territory of Washington was duly organized and constituted and its officers elected and installed according to the ancient ritual and usages of the Order, after which the convention adjourned *sine die*.

Immediately after the adjournment of the convention, the first regular Conclave of the Grand Commandery of the Territory of Washington was held. After the regular business was finished the necessary committees appointed, and every one that had rendered valuable assistance in organizing the Grand Commandery had been recognized by resolutions, the Grand Commandery of Washington was closed in knightly form to meet in the Asylum of Seattle Commandery No. 2 on Friday, June 8th, A. D., 1888, A. O. 770, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Attest: JOHN MURRAY,
Grand Recorder.

R. E. H. W. EAGAN,
Grand Commander.

And thus the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Washington started upon what has proven to be the road to prosperity, as we find by the records that at the time of its organization there was only 123 Sir Knights on its membership roll, with four Commanderies. Since its organization the following Commanderies have been added to its roster:

Temple Commandery No. 5, whose charter was received September 11, 1888.

DeMolay Commandery No. 6, whose charter is dated June 15, 1891.

Olympia Commandery No. 7, date of charter June 15, 1891.

Hesperus Commandery No. 8, date of charter June 15, 1891.

Townsend Commandery No. 9, date of charter, September 11, 1894.

Vancouver Commandery No. 10, date of charter June 3, 1897.

The membership having increased accordingly. The several Commanderies bearing upon their rolls of membership now number 710.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

- R. E. Sir Knight John Lillie, Port Townsend, Grand Commander.
- V. E. Sir Knight Frank P. Weymouth, Spokane, Deputy Grand Commander.
- E. Sir Knight Lincoln F. Gault, Tacoma, Grand Generalissimo.
- E. Sir Knight Edwin W. Craven, Seattle, Grand Captain General.
- E. Sir Knight Samuel B. Limerick, Seattle, Grand Senior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight David B. Sheller, Tacoma, Grand Junior Warden.
- E. Sir Knight Rev. William Pelan, Spokane, Grand Prelate.
- E. Sir Knight Horace W. Tyler, Seattle, Grand Treasurer.

- E. Sir Knight Yancey C. Blalock, Walla Walla, Grand Recorder.
- E. Sir Knight W. O. Nicholson, New Whatcom, Grand Standard Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight John H. Shaw, Spokane, Grand Sword Bearer.
- E. Sir Knight Ira M. Swartz, Vancouver, Grand Warden.
- E. Sir Knight John C. Campbell, Tacoma, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

- *Harrison W. Eagan, 1887.
- Alfred L. Palmer, 1888.
- *Elijah M. Beatty, 1889.
- Yancey C. Blalock, 1890.
- S. Harry Rush, 1891.
- Edward R. Hare, 1892.
- Eugene F. Wilson, 1893.
- George N. Alexander, 1894.
- Horace W. Tyler, 1895.
- George E. Dickson, 1896.
- Jacob Weatherwax, 1897.
- Carmi Dibble, 1898.
- Frank W. Churchouse, 1899.
- Beverly W. Coiner, 1900.

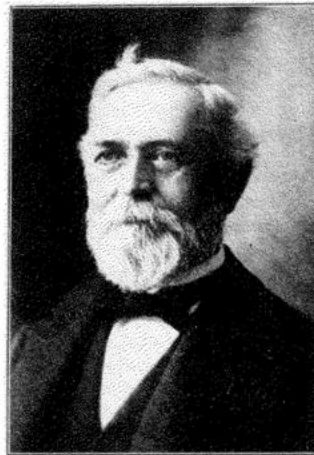
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Washington Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
74	1	WASHINGTON	Walla Walla	Henry Osterman	Yancey C. Blalock
191	2	SEATTLE	Seattle	Frank P. Andrews	H. W. Tyler
180	3	CATARACT	Spokane	Joseph A. Borden	Robert H. Greeley
103	4	IVANHOE	Tacoma	James W. Cloes	Edward R. Hare
21	5	TEMPLE	Ellensburg	P. P. Gray	W. N. Westfall
28	6	DEMOLAY	Aberdeen	Jacob Weatherwax	J. S. Gunn
25	7	OLYMPIA	Olympia
37	8	HESPERUS	New Whatcom	Lin. H. Hadley	P. F. Whiting
26	9	TOWNSEND	Port Townsend	Edward C. Adams	John Lillie
25	10	VANCOUVER	Vancouver	Ira M. Swartz	Preston H. Kuhn
710					



R. EM. SIR JOHN K. F. STEELE.
Grand Commander 1901-02; Past Commander Ivanhoe Commandery No. 10—Keystone.



EM. SIR DELOS W. EMMONS.
Grand Treasurer; Member Huntington Commandery No. 3—Huntington.



R. EM. SIR WALLING W. VAN WINKLE.
Grand Commander, 1894-96; Past Commander Cavalry Commandery No. 3—Parkersburg.

WEST VIRGINIA—GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.



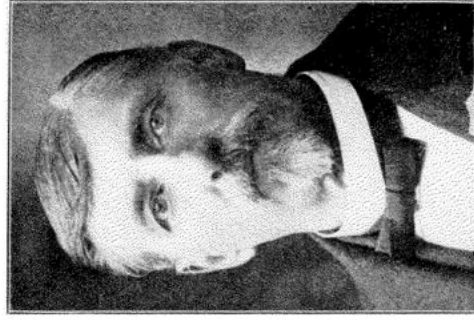
SIR EDWARD ELLIOTT BALDWIN 32^d.
Commander.



SIR KT. LUTHER W. BLAYNEY, 32^d.
Generalissimo.



SIR KT. GEORGE M. FORD, 32^d.
Captain General.



EM. SIR JOSEPH HALL, 32^d.
Recorder; Past Commander.

WEST VIRGINIA--WHEELING COMMANDERY NO. 1 WHEELING.

The Order of the Temple in West Virginia.

By
W. W.
Van Winkle,
Past Grand Comman-
der of the
Grand Commandery
of West Virginia.

THE Grand Commandery of West Virginia, Knights Templar and Appendant Orders of the State of West Virginia, was formed in the city of Wheeling, February 25, 1874, by virtue of a warrant given by Sir J. Q. A. Fellows, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, dated November 21, 1873. Its constitution in due form was conducted by Sir James Herron Hopkins, then Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, proxy for the Grand Master. This Grand Commandery has grown to be one of the important constituent bodies of the Grand Encampment.

The reasons for the organization grew out of conditions that were incident to and followed the Civil War, but after the animosities of that unhappy struggle had been harmonized. However strained the relations had been during and after the war there was really no lack of Masonic duty or love. The same causes that made it necessary to form the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter of West Virginia, embracing the bounds of the State, operated to form the Grand Commandery, and it was not strange the impression obtained that the separation of the Grand Lodge from Virginia was in some sense a political movement. This occurred in 1865, and it was not long afterwards that the reasons were properly understood and appreciated by the Virginia Fraters as well as by all well informed Masons.

The Masonic fraternity is eminently conservative and slow to alter its forms in the minutest detail, or depart from the ancient land marks. It was nearly two years after the new State Government of West Virginia had been recognized be-

fore Masonic severance from the "Mother State" was contemplated; seven years elapsed before the Grand Chapter was formed, and ten years expired before the Grand Commandery became a separate organization. All these changes were happily accomplished, although the Grand Lodge encountered some difficulty, not of acrimonious character. The Virginia Masons naturally were opposed to the dismemberment of their State, and were tardy to recognize that Masonic authority was territorially co-existent with and followed distinct and independent civil government in each State and Territory; but this well established doctrine was acknowledged by Virginia, and assent in formal terms was given to the organization of the Grand Lodge first, and subsequently cordially assented to the organization of the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery.

There were only the requisite number of Commanderies within the territory of West Virginia at the time of organization of the Grand Commandery, enrolling about one hundred and ten members. These Commanderies while subordinate to Virginia, were Wheeling Commandery No. 1, holding a charter directly from the Grand Encampment, dated November 28, 1838; Palestine Commandery No. 9 at Martinsburg, and Star of the West Commandery No. 12 at Morgantown, the latter becoming extinct and its charter cancelled in 1876. Both of the latter held charters from the Grand Commandery of Virginia. These Commanderies after the Grand Commandery of West Virginia was organized were numbered respectively one, two, and three, retaining the same names.

The Conclaves of the Grand Commandery of Virginia were held in the city of Richmond, to reach which was difficult, by circuitous routes, and because of the time required and large expense incurred it was almost impossible to secure personal

representation from the subordinates west of the Alleghany Mountains. While a separation was deplored by the West Virginia Sir Knights, in the autumn of 1872, it was deemed indispensable to the spread and prosperity of the Order in West Virginia that a new Grand Commandery should be formed, notwithstanding that the Grand Encampment, in its Triennial Conclave held in Baltimore in 1871, when a severance from Virginia was mentioned, resolved "That the Grand Commandery of Virginia is recognized as holding jurisdiction over both the States of Virginia and West Virginia." Accordingly the West Virginia Commanderies combined in a memorial courteously requesting the Grand Commandery of Virginia to sanction the formation of the Grand Commandery of West Virginia and release them from allegiance to that Grand Body. This memorial met a fraternal and ready assent by the Grand Commandery of Virginia, at its Annual Grand Conclave, held in Richmond in December, 1872, and enabled the Grand Master to issue his warrant sanctioning the new Grand Commandery.

This consummation is largely attributable to the zealous efforts of the late Sir Odell Squier Long, late Lieutenant Grand Commander of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction, than whom a more devoted, consistent and lovable man and Mason, certainly in West Virginia, never lived.

A convention of the three Commanderies assembled in Wheeling, February 25, 1874, to name the officers of the new Grand Commandery. Appropriately the first Grand Commander selected was Sir Knight Long in recognition of his service, and that he was best fitted to discharge the duties. He was zealous and through his indefatigable efforts the Order thrived measurably, and he became his own successor. Following this convention a Special Conclave of the Grand Encampment was held, when the Grand Officers selected in the convention were proclaimed and installed, and the Grand Commandery of West Virginia constituted with solemn ceremonies and in due form.

This was followed the same day by a Grand Conclave of the

new Grand Commandery. A charter was ordered issued to Kanawha Commandery No. 4 at Charleston, West Virginia, and dispensation ordered to admit a Commandery to be opened at Fairmont, afterwards chartered as Crusade Commandery No. 6. Kanawha Commandery had been under dispensation from Virginia, which was returned to the Grand Commandery of West Virginia.

The occasion of constituting the new Grand Commandery attracted much attention in the State and contiguous Grand Jurisdictions, and there were present a number of eminent Knights Templar, while many letters were sent from prominent members encouraging the new organization. Among those present was Sir Knight Charles R. Woodruff, Past Grand Commander of Kentucky, still active in his jurisdiction, a veteran in Masonry, and not only loved at home, but esteemed universally throughout the Templar world. Two Commanderies from Ohio and four from Pennsylvania were in attendance and contributed to render the occasion noteworthy.

The late Sir Knight William B. Isaacs, then Grand Commander of Virginia, and for a number of years Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment, pleasantly presented the feelings of the Virginia Fraters in a letter saying:

"I beg, in this formal manner, instead of in the warm pulsations of a personal presence to present to the assembled Sir Knights the kindly greeting and benediction of the Grand Commandery of Virginia. . . Be assured, Sir Knights of West Virginia, though separated by many miles of distance and dwelling now in different tents, the hearts of your Fraters in the "good old Commonwealth" will ever turn to you with feelings of tenderness and affection. The Grand Commandery of Virginia, though not present to stand before the world as sponsor at your baptismal font, will follow you through all your future career with paternal pride and interest."

The membership in 1875 had increased to 177, inclusive of a Commandery under dispensation at Harper's Ferry, known as Potomac Commandery U. D. This Commandery was after-

wards chartered as No. 5, and apparently outranked Crusade Commandery No. 6, which lost its number as "5," because issue of charter was delayed. In 1876 a dispensation having been returned, a charter was ordered to be issued to Calvary Commandery No. 3, at Parkersburg, this number given it as being vacant by the extinction of the Commandery before having that number. The Order had only a moderate increase of members for several years, but during the early eighties a renewed interest was taken, and from thence it increased to the present number of 1,333, enrolled in fourteen Commanderies. The Grand Master's proxy attending the Grand Conclave in 1901, was pleased to say in his report that "while the Annual Conclave was made the occasion for social pleasure and exchange of knightly courtesies, the business of the Grand Commandery was not allowed to suffer; each of the several sessions was well attended and the business on hand was thoroughly discussed and disposed of."

The numerical increase throughout the jurisdiction is surprisingly large, the percentage of gain being greater than that of any other Grand Jurisdiction, with one exception. The Grand Commandery is well officered, is composed of able and devoted Knights Templar, and harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction.

The hopes of the zealous Sir Knights that the organization of this Grand Commandery would foster and prosper the Order in the State of West Virginia, have been realized, and stimulated to work by the responsibilities thrown upon a devoted few by the change, the organization has increased and multiplied in the State, and is necessarily to-day in union with the rapid growth industrially and in population of the State, and the sublime principles of our Order are being dissemin-

ated in fruitful soil. Fraternal relations with all Grand Bodies continue undisturbed, and the Grand Commandery of West Virginia has no contention, "except that noble contention, or rather emulation, of who can best work and best agree."

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir John K. F. Steele, Keystone, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir James A. Bryan, Parkersburg, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Charles H. Ahrens, Wheeling, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir George W. Creel, Grafton, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Samuel N. Myers, Martinsburg, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir James B. McKee, Wheeling, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir and Rev. R. D. Roller, Charleston, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir D. W. Emmons, Huntington, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Robert C. Dunnington, Fairmont, Grand Recorder.
 S. Sir Willard J. Rowland, Fairmont, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Joseph Ruffner, Charleston, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir W. W. Whyte, Welch, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Charles W. Brown, Charlestown, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*O. S. Long.	W. M. Hovey.
George W. Patton.	John W. Morris.
Hugh Sterling.	E. L. Buttrick.
*J. S. Halderman.	Alfred Paul.
*Frank Rex.	W. W. Van Winkle.
*Jesse R. Purnell.	W. H. H. Holswade.
W. H. H. Flick.	J. C. Riheldaffer.
Charles F. Scott.	Lewis N. Tavenner.
W. H. Riggs.	John A. Zorn.
George Davis.	George DeBolt.
Alexander Parks.	Frank H. Markell.
Jere A. Miller.	John K. F. Steele.
W. G. Bennett.	

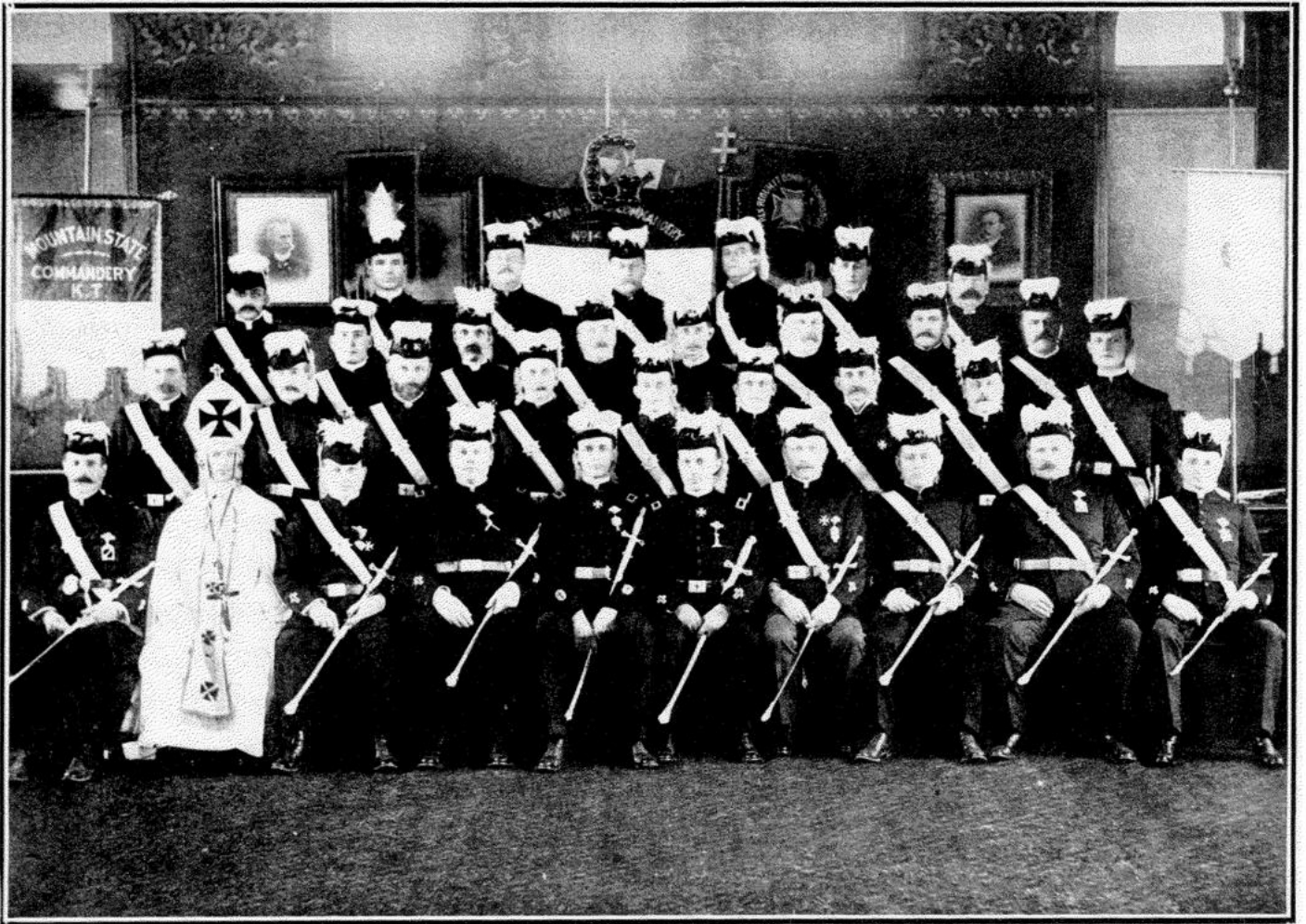
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West Virginia Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
157	1	WHEELING	Wheeling	H. B. Baguley	Joseph Hall
66	2	PALESTINE	Martinsburg	Chas. H. Quenzel	S. N. Myers
128	3	CALVARY	Parkersburg	W. T. Rittenhouse	Jas. A. Bryan
180	4	KANAWHA	Charleston	J. L. Dickenson	J. W. Crider
33	5	POTOMAC	Charlestown	Van L. Perry	C. F. Gallaher
163	6	CRUSADE	Fairmont	E. M. Showalter	F. E. Nichols
78	7	CYRENE	Wheeling	Jas. B. McKee	W. H. Grabe
40	8	ST. JOHN'S	Weston	J. S. Vandervort	E. Ralston
80	9	HUNTINGTON	Huntington	J. W. Pelot	A. S. J. Southworth
99	10	IVANHOE	Bramwell	B. F. Kellar	H. W. Shields
100	11	DEMOLAY	Grafton	O. P. Stroh	G. W. Creel
72	12	HINTON	Hinton	J. H. Romick	R. L. Jones
65	13	CLARKSBURG	Clarksburg	David K. Reed	C. W. Leggett
72	14	MOUNTAIN STATE	Sistersville	Ed. O. Bower	M. A. Sybert
1333					



WEST VIRGINIA--MASONIC TEMPLE. ASYLUM OF MOUNTAIN STATE COMMANDERY NO. 14.
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. SISTERSVILLE.



WEST VIRGINIA--GROUP OF SIR KNIGHTS OF MOUNTAIN STATE COMMANDERY NO. 14, IN THEIR ASYLUM, MASONIC TEMPLE, SISTERSVILLE. (390)

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS
MOUNTAIN STATE COMMANDERY NO. 14, KNIGHTS
TEMPLAR.

CONSTITUTED JUNE 11, 1901. SISTERVILLE, W. VA.

OFFICERS.

Em. Sir Ed. O. Bower, Eminent Commander.
 Sir Wm. G. Agnew, Generalissimo.
 Sir T. R. Cowell, Captain General.
 Sir J. Fred. Neill, Senior Warden.
 Sir Chas. W. Grier, Junior Warden.
 Sir T. C. Neal, Prelate.
 Sir G. B. West, M. D., Treasurer.
 Sir Wm. L. Russell, Recorder.
 Sir S. W. Templeton, Standard Bearer.
 Sir Chas. E. Bailey, Sword Bearer.
 Sir Wm. E. Cummings, Warder.
 Sir W. J. Depue, Sentinel.

MEMBERS.

Wm. G. Agnew.	Geo. E. Berry.
Samuel B. Agnew.	H. Barton Bowden.
A. S. Adams.	C. E. Burlingame.
E. B. Adams.	T. R. Cowell.
Hartley Arters.	Wm. E. Crandall.
R. C. Ankrom.	Wm. E. Cummings.
Dr. W. C. Adams.	E. L. Carson.
Ed. O. Bower.	F. G. Chapman.
Chas. E. Bailey.	John C. Cotton.
Jos. W. Boyers.	Josiah Dobson.
W. H. Boughner.	W. C. Dotson.
Walter J. Brown.	Robt. E. Downing.
F. T. Bostaph.	W. J. Depue.

MEMBERS—Continued.

F. S. Eshelman.	C. A. McCarroll.
Frank Fertig.	Chas. W. McMasters.
W. R. Fitch.	E. B. Miller.
Theo. J. Fitch.	Jos. W. McNaught.
Thos. Finlayson.	Chas. F. Mercer.
G. Ed Foster.	J. R. McGranahan.
Fred O. Funk.	J. Fred Neill.
Chas. W. Grier.	T. C. Neal.
E. M. Gross.	O. C. Ogdin.
Edward Guthrie.	F. S. Penwell.
J. W. Grim.	Wm. L. Russell.
F. W. Hummell.	R. C. Riley.
Jas. F. Hall.	E. A. Scrafford.
E. E. Harper.	L. T. Shannon.
Frank J. Henderliter.	D. M. C. Stewart.
Chas. A. Henderliter.	Chas. E. Schupbach.
Jos. T. Hervey.	L. M. Stephens.
John S. Irwin.	Dr. Jas. R. Stathers.
Dr. V. N. Jones.	Wm. M. Smith.
A. B. Johnson.	John Starkey.
A. C. Jackson.	M. A. Sybert.
Fred M. Jones.	Geo. W. Shriver.
W. F. Kaiser.	W. C. Shaner.
Dr. W. H. Kerr.	Wm. P. Simmons.
Karl G. Kaiser.	Frank Stewart.
Wm. T. Koontz.	Jos. C. Trees.
W. P. Kingsberry.	M. L. Thorn.
W. E. Kirchner.	S. W. Templeton.
John F. Mallory.	E. J. Thompson.
F. Eugene Mallory.	Dr. G. B. West.
Ernest W. Mallory.	W. E. Weiss.
Clint Moore.	Dr. W. L. West.
D. T. Mossinger.	L. D. Whiston.
W. D. Moore.	J. S. Wells.
A. D. McVey.	Geo. E. Work.
L. Merrill.	



E.M. SIR ED. O. BOWER.
Commander.



SIR KT. WILLIAM G. AGNEW.
Generalissimo.



SIR KT. THOS. RICHARD COWELL.
Captain General.



SIR KT. WILLIAM L. RUSSELL.
Recorder.



SIR KT. S. W. TEMPLETON.
Standard Bearer.



SIR KT. CHARLES E. BAILEY.
Sword Bearer.



SIR KT. WILLIAM E. CUMMINGS.
Warder.

WEST VIRGINIA—OFFICERS MOUNTAIN STATE COMMANDERY NO. 14, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, SISTERSVILLE.



SIR KT. R. C. ANKROM.
-Sentinel.



SIR KT. C. F. MERCER.
-Kidwell.



SIR KT. W. E. KIRCHNER.
-Middlebourne.



SIR KT. JOSEPH T. HERVEY.
-New Martinsville.



SIR KT. F. W. HUMMEL.
-St. Mary's.



SIR KT. J. W. GRIM.
-Middlebourne.



SIR KT. W. P. SIMMONS.
-New Martinsville.



SIR KT. A. B. JOHNSON.
-New Martinsville.

WEST VIRGINIA-MOUNTAIN STATE COMMANDERY NO. 14 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR SISTERSVILLE.



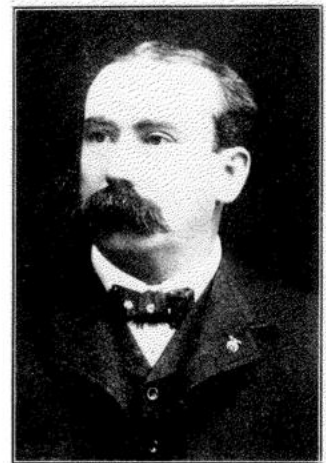
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SIR KT. M. A. SYBERT.



SIR KT. JOSEPH Y. McNAUGHT.



SIR KT. ROBERT L. LAMBERTON.



SIR KT. CLINT MOORE.



SIR KT. REV. H. BARTON BOWDEN.



SIR KT. WILL F. KAISER.



SIR KT. GEORGE E. WORK.

The Order of the Temple in Wisconsin.

By
W. W. Perry,
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of Wisconsin.

ON the twelfth day of June, A. D. 1850, a dispensation was granted and issued by and under the hand and seal of Most Eminent W. B. Hubbard, General Grand Master of the General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, to E. Luther M. Tracy, Commander; Sir Henry L. Palmer, Generalissimo; Sir Geo. W. Chapman, Captain General, and others, to open and hold an Encampment of Knights Templar, and Councils of the Appendant Orders, at the city of Milwaukee, to be called and distinguished by the name of "Wisconsin Encampment."

This encampment was opened on the evening of the twenty-fifth day of June, A. D. 1850, A. O. 732, by virtue of the authority contained in such dispensation, in due form.

On the twenty-sixth day of August, A. D. 1850, the dispensation was returned to the General Grand Encampment of Knights Templar for the United States, and a warrant of constitution was granted and issued to Wisconsin Encampment No. 1, bearing date the twenty-eighth day of October, A. D. 1850, A. O. 732.

On the fourth day of December, A. D. 1850, the members of the encampment assembled at their Asylum, and Sir Abram D. Smith, who had been duly appointed by Most Eminent William Blackstone Hubbard, Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States, his special proxy for that purpose, constituted Wisconsin Encampment No. 1 of Knights Templar, and the Appendant Orders, and installed the officers thereof, according to the Ancient Ritual and usages of the Order.

(At the Triennial Meeting of the General Grand Encamp-

ment of the United States, holden in 1856, among other amendments to the constitution of that Most Eminent Body, the word "Commandery" is applied in lieu of Encampment to all bodies of Knights Templar in the United States, except the Supreme Grand Encampment.)

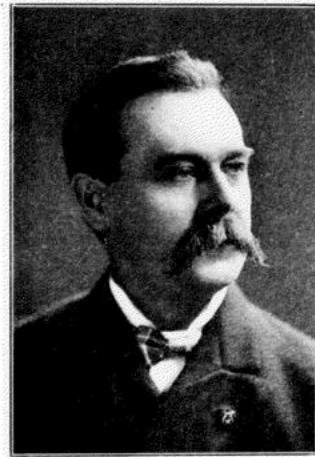
JANESVILLE NO. 2.

A dispensation was issued on the twenty-ninth day of June, 1856, by Most Eminent William B. Hubbard, Grand Master of Knights Templar for the United States, to Eminent Erastus Lewis, Commander; Sir Charles C. Cheney, Generalissimo; Sir Henry B. Bunster, Captain General, and others, authorizing them to open and hold, Janesville Encampment at the city of Janesville, Wisconsin. By virtue of such authority, said encampment was, on the thirty-first day of July, 1856, opened in due form, by Eminent Henry L. Palmer, Commander of Wisconsin Commandery No. 1, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and other Sir Knights from Commanderies in the United States.

Three Sir Knights were created up to the day of the convening of the General Grand Encampment of the United States, in the month of September, A. D. 1856, when said dispensation was returned, and a charter granted to Janesville Commandery by the General Grand Encampment, on the eleventh day of September, A. D. 1856, authorizing and recognizing the same; and Most Eminent Grand Master Hubbard, appointed Eminent Thomas Sherley as his proxy, who assembled and met the Sir Knights and members of Janesville Commandery No. 2, at the Asylum on the twelfth day of November, A. D. 1856, and constituted Janesville Commandery No. 2 of Knights Templar, and installed its officers according to the ancient ritual and usages of the Order.



R. EM. SIR GILES STEVENS.
Grand Commander 1901-02; Past Commander St.
John Commandery No. 21—Reedsburg.



EM. SIR ROBERT HENRY ORMSBY.
Grand Generalissimo; Past Commander Wisconsin
Commandery No. 1—Milwaukee.

**WISCONSIN--GRAND COMMANDERERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: ST. JOHN NO. 21 REEDSBURG;
WISCONSIN NO. 1, MILWAUKEE.**

THE ROBERT MACOY NO. 3.

By virtue of the authority contained in letters of dispensation issued by the Most Eminent William Blackstone Hubbard, on the twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1859, to Eminent John Warren Hunt, Commander; Sir Henry S. Baird, Generalissimo; Sir William H. Karns, Captain General, and others, Macoy Commandery was opened at the city of Madison, on Wednesday evening, February 2, 1859, in due form, there being present:

The Eminent William Wallace Mitchell, Commander of Apollo Commandery No. 1, Chicago, Ill.; the Eminent Henry L. Palmer, Commander of Wisconsin Commandery No. 1, Milwaukee, Wis.; the Eminent Erastus Lewis, Commander of Janesville Commandery No. 2, Janesville, Wis.; and a large number of Sir Knights Templar, from those and other Commanderies in the United States.

Twenty-two Knights Templar were created up to the first day of September, 1859, and on the second Tuesday of that month, the dispensation was returned, to the Grand Encampment Knights Templar for the United States, and exchanged for a warrant of constitution, given under the seal of the Grand Encampment, at the city of Chicago, on the sixteenth day of September, A. D. 1859, A. O. 741.

On the nineteenth day of September, 1859, the Most Eminent Benjamin Brown French, Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States, appointed Eminent Martin Luther Tracy, Past Commander of Wisconsin Commandery No. 1, as his proxy, who assembled and met the members of the Commandery at their Asylum, on Monday evening, the 26th day of September, 1859, and constituted the Robert Macoy Commandery No. 3 of Knights Templar and installed their officers according to the ancient ritual and usages of the Order.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY.

A convention of Knights Templar assembled at the Asylum of the Robert Macoy Commandery No. 3, in the city of Madison, on Thursday evening, the twentieth day of October,

A. D. 1859, A. O. 741, by virtue of the authority of the Most Eminent Grand Master of Knights Templar for the United States of America, agreeably to a call from the Eminent Commanders of the State of Wisconsin.

The convention was organized by the opening of a Commandery of Knights Templar in solemn form.

A resolution, declaring it expedient to form a Grand Commandery was passed, statutes and regulations were adopted, and the following officers duly elected and installed:

Right Eminent Henry L. Palmer, Grand Commander, Milwaukee; Very Eminent Erastus Lewis, Deputy Grand Commander, Janesville; Eminent Henry M. Billings, Grand Generalissimo, Highland; Eminent Henry S. Baird, Grand Captain General, Green Bay; Eminent Luther M. Tracy, Grand Prelate, Milwaukee; E. Michael F. McKey, Grand Senior Warden, Janesville; E. Alden S. Sanborn, Grand Junior Warden, Mazomanie; Eminent Samuel S. Daggett, Grand Treasurer, Milwaukee; Eminent John W. Hunt, Grand Recorder, Madison; Eminent Augustus A. Bird, Grand Standard Bearer, Madison; Eminent Ebenezer Irons, Grand Sword Bearer, Milwaukee; Eminent Barn. B. Eldridge, Grand Warden, Janesville; Sir William Addy, Grand Captain of Guards, Janesville.

The twentieth century finds the condition of Templarism in the State of Wisconsin in a very prosperous condition. From the report received at the last session of the Grand Commandery, held October, 1901, we have the following statistics: Number of chartered Commanderies, 28; total number of members, 3,268.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Giles Stevens, Reedsburg, Grand Commander.
V. E. Sir Knight B. E. Reid, Chippewa Falls, Deputy Grand Commander.
E. Sir Knight Robert H. Ormsby, Milwaukee, Grand Generalissimo.
E. Sir Knight C. H. Washburn, Racine, Grand Captain General.
E. Sir Knight W. I. Enos, Oshkosh, Grand Senior Warden.
E. Sir Knight Merton Herrick, Hudson, Grand Junior Warden.
E. Sir Knight R. W. Bosworth, D. D., Beloit, Grand Prelate.
E. Sir Knight Fred Ring, La Crosse, Grand Treasurer.

E. Sir Knight W. W. Perry, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight P. H. Sperry, Marinette, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight J. H. Thayer, Sparta, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight S. L. Jenkins, Beloit, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight John B. Cromwell, Milwaukee, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

Henry L. Palmer.
 *Alvin B. Alden.
 *William H. Hiner.
 *A. V. H. Carpenter.
 *Emmons Taylor.
 Carlos P. Whitford.

John W. Woodhull.
 *Chas. F. G. Collins.
 Geo. H. Benzenberg.
 Jeremiah Watts.
 Nathan B. Rundie.
 *C. P. Chapman.
 Adolph H. Wagner.
 E. G. Jackson.
 D. Lloyd Jones.

*DCEASED.

Warren H. Lewis.
 Eugene S. Elliott.
 George H. Hopper.
 E. C. Deane.
 Chas. D. Rogers.
 Theo. W. Goldin.
 L. A. Bishop.
 C. A. Lamoreux.
 Giles Stevens.

Wisconsin Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
356	1	WISCONSIN	Milwaukee	Galen B. Seaman	Wm. J. Holbrook
154	2	JANESVILLE	Janesville	Thos. O. Howe	C. E. Ranous
151	3	ROBERT MACOY	Madison	Charles W. Heyl	William H. Hughes
91	4	FT. WINNEBAGO	Portage	William S. Stroud	Charles H. Smith
115	5	FOND DU LAC	Fond du Lac	L. A. Bishop	J. M. Little
131	6	BELOIT	Beloit	S. L. Jenkins	J. R. Booth
153	7	RACINE	Racine	Milton M. Jones	Alonzo T. Clarke
131	8	EAU CLAIRE	Eau Claire	G. Tabor Thompson	C. R. Gleason
105	9	LA CROSSE	La Crosse	Wm. Torrance	Frank Powell
64	10	BERLIN	Berlin	Thomas McKinney	John C. Fairweather
115	11	OSHKOSH	Oshkosh	T. S. Whitely	W. H. Ford
99	12	MINERAL POINT	Mineral Point	W. G. Hales	B. T. Prideaux
58	14	ST. CROIX	Hudson	Charles A. Cross	Edward S. Graves
83	15	DEMOLAY	Boscobel	B. C. Rosencrans	
122	16	SPARTA	Sparta	J. H. Thayer	C. R. Conover
85	17	CRUSADE	Stevens Point	William A. Webster	Amos G. Hamacker
70	18	OLIVET	Watertown	Wm. F. Voss	C. Hugo Jacobi
114	19	ST. OMER	Wausau	C. S. Curtis	R. N. Larner
100	20	PALESTINE	Green Bay	Loren F. Pease	James H. Leonard
67	21	ST. JOHN	Reedsburg	W. H. French	J. H. Hosler
146	22	ASHLAND	Ashland	Harold B. Warner	H. F. Higby
70	23	WAUKESHA	Waukesha	Austin A. Hill	Arthur W. James
378	24	IVANHOE	Milwaukee	James McLeod	James H. Barber
56	25	SUPERIOR	W. Superior	Edward C. Kennedy	John Foley
60	26	MARINETTE	Marinette	John F. Boyd	Walter B. Stanton
63	27	TANCRED	Chippewa Falls	L. C. Shutters	B. Gardinier
74	28	BARABOO	Baraboo	J. C. Link	W. T. Kelsey
57	29	APPLETON	Appleton	John Silvester	W. J. Smith

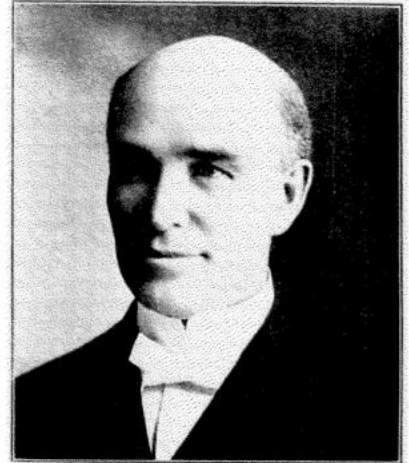
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EM. SIR W. I. ENOS.
Grand Senior Warden; Past Commander Oshkosh
Commandery No. 11—Oshkosh.



TRIENNIAL BADGE.
Racine Commandery No. 7—Racine.



EM. SIR WILLIAM W. PERRY.
Grand Recorder; Past Commander Robert Macoy
Commandery No. 3—Milwaukee.

WISCONSIN--GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR. COMMANDERIES: ROBERT MACOY NO. 3, MADISON
RACINE NO. 7, RACINE' OSHKOSH NO. 11 OSHKOSH.



WISCONSIN-TRIENNIAL CLUB RACINE COMMANDERY NO. 7, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, RACINE. LOUISVILLE, KY., 1901. (400)

Robt. J. Hall.	F. A. Kradwell.	E. A. Rehn.	W. L. Bolton.	A. L. Buchan.	C. A. Wustum.	G. V. Kradwell, Treas.	Robert Mutter.	F. H. Rickeman.	Chas. Freeman.
Geo. W. Derby.	John H. Vogel.	D. S. Mills.	J. E. Durgin, P. C.	Milton M. Jones E. C.	C. H. Washburn, P. C.	J. P. Davies, P. C.	F. W. H. Bell, Guard.		
	J. E. Armitage, J. W.	G. W. Grenler, Gen.				J. S. Hendrie, P. C.	A. B. Northrop, Prel.		



EM. SIR MILTON M. JONES.
Commander.



SIR KT. ALLEN B. NORTHROP.
Prelate.



SIR KT. GUS V. KRADWELL.
Treasurer.



SIR KT. WILLIAM H. BELL.
Guard.



SIR KT. ROBERT J. HALL.



SIR KT. JAMES B. PRITCHARD.



SIR KT. JOHN H. VOGEL.



SIR KT. CHARLES FREEMAN.

WISCONSIN-RACINE COMMANDERY NO. 7 RACINE.

The Order of the Temple in Wyoming.

By
T. Seddon
Taliaferro, Jr.
Grand Commander
of the
Grand Commandery
of Wyoming.

IN Wyoming the Order of the Temple dates from March fifteenth, A. D. 1873, when Wyoming Commandery was formed at Cheyenne, under a dispensation from the Grand Master with Sir H. Glafke as Eminent Commander, Sir M. J. Fitzgerald as Generalissimo, and Sir E. P. Snow as Captain General.

On December third, A. D. 1874, this Commandery was chartered with the same officers as Wyoming No. 1, though it continued under the dispensation until March 3, 1875, when Sir William N. Byers, proxy for the Grand Master, formally instituted it.

The then territory of Wyoming had scarcely ten thousand inhabitants, and they scattered over an area of almost one hundred thousand square miles, nevertheless, Templarism kept pace with the other Masonic bodies, all of which grew rapidly, so that at this writing, Wyoming has the distinction of having more Masons of every body, in proportion to its population, than any State in the Union.

Our early history may not be venerable; it is sufficiently new to be well authenticated, and if it lacks the interest which mysterious age enchants, it will furnish themes abundant for future song and story of pilgrimages made o'er mountain, plain, and desert; by bull-team, stage and rail; mid floods and storms and hostile Indian bands, to attend a meeting of the Lodge, Chapter, or Commandery in some far away frontier town.

The writer can recall many instances in which companions were compelled to travel nigh one thousand miles to become

members of the Temple; journeys not insignificant to those performed by our ancient Fraters in making their devotions at the Holy Sepulcher.

On February 16, 1885, a dispensation was granted Sir William H. Smith as Eminent Commander, Sir William L. Ash as Generalissimo, and Sir John K. Graff as Captain General, to form Ivanhoe Commandery at Rawlins; and on September 23, 1886, that Commandery was chartered as No. 2; Sir Knight F. E. Bullard acting as proxy for the Grand Master for the purpose of institution at a Conclave, held November 13, 1886.

Immanuel Commandery at Laramie was formed under a dispensation, dated May 1, 1886, issued by the Grand Master to Sir Otto Gramm as Eminent Commander, Sir John Reid as Generalissimo, and Sir M. N. Grant as Captain General, and was chartered September 23, 1886, as No. 3. Sir Knight R. B. Horrie acting as proxy for the Grand Master for the purpose of institution at a Conclave held October 19, 1886.

At a stated Conclave of Wyoming Commandery No. 1, held on the thirteenth day of December, A. D. 1886, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, There are at this time in the Territory of Wyoming three Commanderies of Knights Templar, chartered by the Grand Encampment of the United States of America; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Comandery that the best interests of Templar Masonry demand that there be a Grand Commandery of Knights Templar organized in and for the Territory of Wyoming.

Resolved, That to further such interests invitations be extended to Ivanhoe Commandery No. 2 and Immanuel Com-

mandery No. 3, to meet with this Commandery at its stated Conclave January 9, 1888, A. O. 770, to mutually take such action as may be deemed advisable to further such end.

And in pursuance of these resolutions the Past Commanders and Officers of the three Commanderies then existing, assembled in convention in the city of Cheyenne at the Asylum of Wyoming Commandery No. 1, on Monday, January 9, 1888, A. O. 770, and organized the Grand Commandery of Wyoming, electing as Grand Officers, Sir Knight Truman B. Hicks, Right Eminent Commander; Sir W. H. Smith, Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Otto Gramm, Eminent Grand Generalissimo, and Sir R. B. Horrie, Eminent Grand Captain General.

A copy of the proceedings of this convention having been certified to Most Eminent Sir Charles Roome, the then Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, a warrant of proxy under date of January thirtieth, A. D., 1888, was by him issued to Eminent Sir Knight William B. Trufant, Past Commander of Wyoming No. 1, directing him to constitute the Grand Commandery of Wyoming by installing its officers heretofore elected, which was done in the Asylum of Wyoming No. 1 on March 8th following, at which date the Grand Commandery of Wyoming began a career which its organizers may well recall with constant and abiding satisfaction.

From its return to the Grand Encampment held in Louisville, Ky., in September, 1901, it will appear there are now under its jurisdiction eight subordinate Commanderies, with a membership of four hundred Templars.

In June, 1891, a dispensation of its then Grand Commander was issued to Sir F. M. Foote as Eminent Commander; Sir Jesse Knight as Generalissimo, and Sir Samuel Dickey as Captain General, to form Albert Pike Commandery at Evanston, which was on August 8, 1891, chartered under that name as No. 4.

On February 20, 1894, a dispensation of its then Grand Com-

mander was issued to Sir T. Seddon Taliaferro, Jr., as Eminent Commander; Sir A. D. Dibble as Generalissimo, and Sir Robert T. Lindsay as Captain General, to form Ascalon Commandery at Green River, Wyoming, which was on June 9, 1894, chartered under that name as No. 5.

On February 11, 1897, a dispensation of its then Grand Commander was issued to Sir George Woodard as Eminent Commander; Sir William Smith, as Generalissimo, and Sir William C. Strohm as Captain General, to form DeMolay Commandery at Sheridan, which was in July, 1897, chartered under that name as No. 6.

On February 11, 1897, a dispensation was issued to Sir John S. Loud as Eminent Commander; Sir William M. Mayering as Generalissimo, and Sir Richard A. Morse as Captain General, to form Hugh de Payen Commandery at Lander, which was in July, 1897, chartered under that name as No. 7.

On June 22, 1899, a dispensation was issued by the then Grand Commander to Sir Charles H. Townsend as Eminent Commander; Sir Lewis C. Seeley as Generalissimo, and Sir Bryant B. Brooks as Captain General, to form Apollo Commandery at Casper, which was on April 11, 1900, chartered under that name as No. 8.

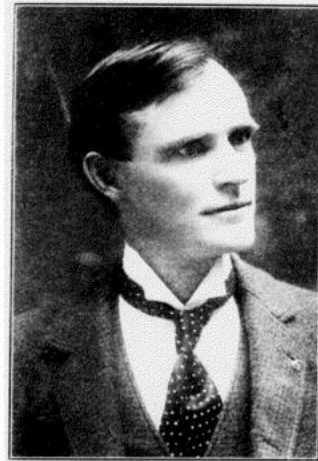
Our rolls of membership are not completed, yet they abound with the names of those in every walk of life, who have, by precept and example given strength and character to the young Commonwealth of Wyoming. Nor does age or service cool their ardor for the Temple. Our beautiful and inspiring liturgy are no "lost words" upon their lips; our Conclaves are patronized and appreciated by our most learned jurists and ablest lawyers, most pious clergymen and churchmen, most progressive business men and skilled artisans and mechanics, all eager to do their part in the glorious work of rearing high the Temple, believing that "the glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of Hosts."

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

- R. E. Sir Knight T. Seddon Taliaferro, Green River, Grand Commander.
 V. E. Sir Knight James M. Rumsey, Rawlins, Deputy Grand Commander.
 E. Sir Knight Fenimore Chatterton, Rawlins, Grand Generalissimo.
 E. Sir Knight Louis Kirk, Cheyenne, Grand Captain General.
 E. Sir Knight Rev. Geo. C. Rafter, Cheyenne, Grand Prelate.
 E. Sir Knightt Jesse Knight, Evanston, Grand Senior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Jesse Converse, Laramie, Grand Junior Warden.
 E. Sir Knight Edward J. Morris, Green River, Grand Treasurer.
 E. Sir Knight Adrian J. Parshall, Cheyenne, Grand Recorder.
 E. Sir Knight Edwin P. Rohrbaugh, Casper, Grand Standard Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Samuel Corson, Cheyenne, Grand Sword Bearer.
 E. Sir Knight Robert H. Lawrence, Green River, Grand Warder.
 E. Sir Knight Karl Spinner, Green River, Grand Captain of the Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

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| Truman B. Hicks, Cheyenne. | Adrian J. Parshall, Cheyenne. |
| William H. Smith, Rawlins. | David H. Craig, Rawlins. |
| Otto Gram, Laramie. | William A. Robins, Kansas City, Mo. |
| James G. Rankin, Rawlins. | Samuel Dickey, Evanston. |
| John C. Baird, Honolulu, Hawaii. | Jethro T. Holliday, Laramie. |
| William Daley, Rawlins. | T. Seddon Taliaferro, Green River. |
| Frank M. Foote, Evanston. | |



R. E. SIR T. SEDDON TALIAFERRO, JR.
 Grand Commander 1901-02; Past Commander Ascension Commandery No. 5—Rock Springs.

Wyoming Commanderies, Commanders, Recorders and Membership, 1901.

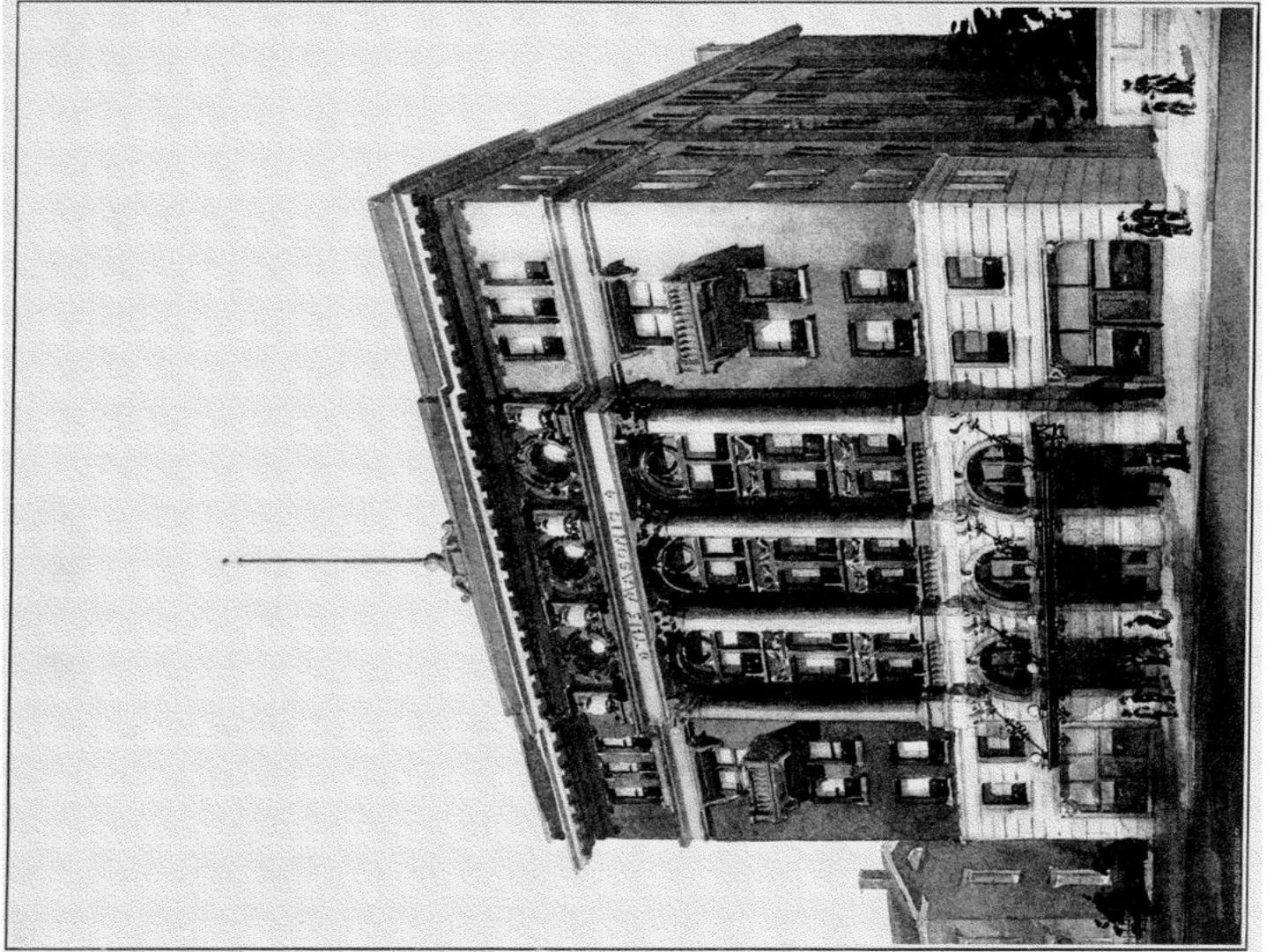
Mem.	No.	Commandery.	Location.	Commander.	Recorder.
98	1	WYOMING	Cheyenne	George P. Johnston	Daniel W. Gill.
64	2	IVANHOE	Rawlins	Andrew McMicken	William H. Smith
37	3	IMMANUEL	Laramie	John D. Shrock	James E. Gates.
46	4	ALBERT PIKE	Evanston	William Pugh	Samuel Dickey
62	5	ASCALON	Green River	Karl Spinner	George G. Gravelle
28	6	DEMOLAY	Sheridan	John S. Taylor	James P. Robinson
22	7	HUGH DE PAYENS	Lander	Richard A. Morse	S. A. D. Keister
35	8	APOLLO	Casper	Charles H. Townsend	A. J. Mokler
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KENTUCKY--MASONIC WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' HOME, LOUISVILLE.

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NOTE.—The pioneer institution of its kind in the United States. Its cornerstone was laid October 15, 1869. It stands as a monument to Kentucky Masonry.



KENTUCKY--NEW MASONIC TEMPLE ERECTED 1902, LOUISVILLE.

The Order of the Temple in Kentucky.

By
**Alfred Hughes
Bryant,**
Grand Recorder
of the
Grand Commandery
of Kentucky.

Knight W. C. P. Breckinridge of Webb Commandery No. 2.

The following from the address of welcome of Sir Knight Breckinridge at the Thirty-fourth Annual Conclave at Lexington, May 4, and 5, 1881, gives the starting point of Masonry and Templarism in this jurisdiction:

"When the pioneer fathers came over the Blue Mountains from the dear 'Old Dominion,' to found a new republic in this goodly land, they brought with them an open Bible, and the heroic and tender virtues which found root in its pages and grew richly in its benignant heat; and on this sure foundation they established the fabric in our Commonwealth. In November, 1788, near to the church and the schoolhouse, Lexington Lodge, the first west of the Alleghanies, was established; a lodge dedicated to the priceless truths of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, and to the charities and sacrifices these sublime truths produce. From the mother lodge sprang other lodges, chapters, and councils, and in 1820 a Commandery was formed here."

A charter was granted Webb Commandery (Encampment) No. 1 at Lexington, January 1, 1820, by Grand Generalissimo John Snow, and was confirmed by the (General) Grand En-

campment, September 19, 1826, at its Third Triennial Conclave, with David C. Cowan as Eminent Commander.

IN preparing a short history of the Order in this State, it would be useless for me to attempt to go further than to quote from that already on record from the pens of such able and learned Templars as Right Eminent Sir Knight Charles R. Woodruff, Chairman of the Correspondence Committee of this Grand Commandery for over a quarter of a century, and Sir

campment, September 19, 1826, at its Third Triennial Conclave, with David C. Cowan as Eminent Commander.

In the annual report of Grand Recorder Sir Knight L. D. Croninger, at the Thirty-fourth Annual Conclave, the attention of the Grand Commandery was called to papers pertaining to the organization of the Grand Commandery, having come into his possession through the knightly courtesy of Very Eminent Sir Knight Theodore S. Parvin, Grand Recorder, Grand Encampment, and recommending that at least some of the same should be published in the proceedings. By action of the Grand Commandery the Committee on Correspondence was authorized to embody in the next annual report, for publication, such necessary original papers as they might deem proper in connection with the foundation of this Grand Commandery. At the Thirty-fifth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, held at Covington, May 3, and 4, 1882, Right Eminent Sir Knight Charles R. Woodruff, Chairman Committee on Correspondence, presented a report on original papers above mentioned, which were shown to be a circular letter from Webb Commandery (Encampment) No. 1, dated February 20, 1820; a letter by Sir Knight Thomas C. Orear, Recorder of Webb Commandery (Encampment), dated September 24, 1847, and three letters from Sir Knight Solomon K. Grant, Prelate of Louisville Commandery (Encampment), dated September and November, 1847.

At the Triennial Conclave of the General Grand Encampment of the United States of America, held at Columbus, Ohio, on the 14th day of September, 1847, on the application of the following named Commanderies (Encampments), viz.: Louisville No. 1, Webb No. 2, and Versailles No. 3, permission was granted the said Commanderies (Encampments) to



**KENTUCKY--MOST EMINENT WARREN LA RUE THOMAS,
GRAND COMMANDER 1879; GRAND MASTER GRAND ENCAMPMENT, U. S. A., 1895.**

organize a Grand Commandery (Encampment) for the State of Kentucky, with all the powers and privileges of other similar institutions under the General Grand Encampment.

A convention of Knights Templar convened at Frankfort, October 5, 1847, and there organized the Grand Commandery (Encampment) of Kentucky, with five subordinates, as follows:

Louisville Commandery No. 1 of Louisville, Ky.

Webb Commandery No. 2 of Lexington, Ky.

Versailles Commandery No. 3 of Versailles, Ky.

Frankfort Commandery No. 4 of Frankfort, Ky.

Montgomery Commandery No. 5 of Mt. Sterling, Ky.

Sir Knight William Brown, of Versailles Commandery No. 3, was chairman, and Sir Knight Philip Swigert, of Frankfort Commandery No. 4 clerk of this convention.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Sir Knight Henry Wingate (4) Right Eminent Grand Commander; Sir Knight Nathaniel Hardy (1), Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander; Sir Knight Joseph A. Peters (3), Eminent Grand Generalissimo; Sir Knight John F. Leavy (2), Eminent Grand Captain General; Sir Knight James H. Turner (5), Eminent Grand Senior Warden; Sir Knight Jacob Owen (1), Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir Knight Solomon K. Grant (1), Eminent Grand Prelate; Sir Knight Thomas C. Orear (2), Eminent Grand Treasurer; Sir Knight Philip Swigert (4), Eminent Grand Recorder; Sir Knight I. Cunningham (2), Eminent Grand Standard Bearer; Sir Knight John McCracken (2) Eminent Grand Sword Bearer; Sir Knight Thomas U. Kinkead (3) Eminent Grand Warder; Sir Knight Daniel Epperson (4) Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard.

The constitution reported by the committee was taken up, read and adopted and the convention dissolved.

The earliest notice of Kentucky Templary was in 1820, when Webb Commandery was granted a charter, and in the National Grand Body in 1841, when Louisville Commandery was

chartered and Webb Commandery, which had for a number of years laid dormant, was resuscitated.

In 1849, a device for the seal of the Grand Commandery was adopted—the same that is still in use.

To attempt to recall the names of all the illustrious Fraters who have presided over and taken part in the deliberations of this Grand Commandery would require more space than is allotted; but of those who have answered the summons of the Supreme Commander, I would mention Sir Knights D. S. Goodloe, W. C. Munger, T. H. Sherley, H. January, R. H. Thompson, L. D. Croninger, and D. V. Johnson.

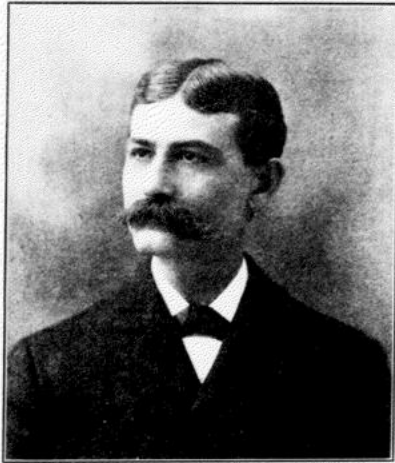
Those remaining with us and still taking an active part are Sir Knight Charles R. Woodruff, Grand Commander 1866-7, and Chairman of Correspondence Committee for twenty-eight years; Sir Knight and Rev. J. M. Worrell, Sir Knights Warren, Bostwick, Thomas, Ryan, Witt, Stone, Robinson, Hedges, Montgomery, Orndorff and others.

There are living to-day four of our Fraters, who have held or are holding office in the Grand Encampment of the United States; they are Sir Knight Warren LaRue, Thomas, Past Most Eminent Grand Master; Sir Knight Charles R. Woodruff, Past Very Eminent Grand Junior Warden; Sir Knight Henry Bostwick, Past Very Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard; Sir Knight Charles C. Vogt, Very Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard.

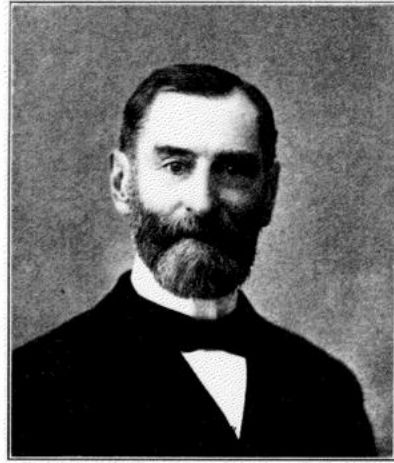
The condition of the Order in the State to-day is prosperous and healthy, the last returns showing a net gain of over two hundred and a total membership of twenty-three hundred and ninety-five, and prospects for the coming year most flattering.

The present constitution and statutes of this jurisdiction were adopted as amended to conform with the Constitution and Code of Statutes of the Grand Encampment, at the Fifty-Third Annual Conclave at Cynthiana, May 15 and 16, 1900.

Under the following corps of officers, the Grand Commandery of Kentucky, will, in August, have the pleasure of entertaining the Grand Encampment of the United States, in its Twenty-eighth Triennial Conclave:



R. EM. SIR CHARLES C. VOGT.
Grand Commander 1898-99; President Triennial
Committee and Chairman Executive Com-
mittee 28th Triennial Conclave—
Louisville.



R. EM. SIR HENRY T. JEFFERSON.
Grand Commander 1901-1902; Chairman Finance
Committee and Treasurer Executive Com-
mittee 28th Triennial Conclave—
Louisville.

KENTUCKY--OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Sir Knight Henry Theodore Jefferson (12), Right Eminent Grand Commander.

Sir Knight Frank Hollinsead Johnson (1), Very Eminent Grand Commander.

Sir Knight George Alexander Lewis (4), Eminent Grand Generalissimo.

Sir Knight Thomas Jefferson Smith (23), Eminent Grand Captain General.

Sir Knight Robert Rodes Burnam (19), Eminent Grand Senior Warden.

Sir Knight John Walden Landrum (11), Eminent Grand Junior Warden.

Sir Knight Thomas Arbuthnot Keith (10), Eminent Grand Prelate.

Sir Knight David Pliny Robb (3), Eminent Grand Treasurer.

Sir Knight Alfred Hughes Bryant (7), Eminent Grand Recorder.

Sir Knight William R. Johnson (24), Eminent Grand Standard Bearer.

Sir Knight Robert Sears Moses (12), Eminent Grand Sword Bearer.

Sir Knight Joseph Hedges Ewalt (16), Eminent Grand Warden.

Sir Knight John Gheens Cramer (2), Eminent Grand Captain of the Guard.

That this entertainment to the Grand Encampment be a success is even at this early date assured, and it only remains for our Fraters to take hold and receive their guests with such a display of genuine old Kentucky hospitality that time will never efface it from their memory.

And now, in conclusion, I quote from the address of welcome by Sir Knight W. C. P. Breckinridge, at the Fifty-fourth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, at Lexington, May 15 and 16, 1901;

A GLORIOUS HISTORY.

An eminent Mason two generations ago said that to become familiar with Masonry one has to be familiar with "its mysteries, its symbols, and its principles." I venture to take the liberty of adding that to be familiar with Masonry, one must also be acquainted with its history, its traditions, its conquests and its hopes. It is a glorious history. Its traditions are the victory of mankind over error, of the progress of our race towards better living, higher thinking and nobler doing; and its aspirations are that the future shall be the golden age; that men shall have happier homes, there be brighter days in which nobler deeds are done, sweeter words are said and kinder acts are performed. In the victories for truth and liberty won in the past, our brethren were in the forefront of every battle; in every triumph they participated, in the sacrifices they were foremost. To-day in every good work they do their part. In every movement for the upbuilding of the race they are participants. In every community whenever anything is done for the advancement of that community, you may be certain that Masons have part therein. Whenever men gather out of love for men, you may be assured in the gathering are Masons; not because they are Masons; they do not love mankind because they are Masons; they are Masons because they love mankind.

GRAND OFFICERS, 1901.

R. E. Sir Knight Henry Theodore Jefferson, Louisville, Grand Commander.

V. E. Sir Knight Frank Hollinsead Johnson, Frankfort, Deputy Grand Commander.

E. Sir Knight George Alexander Lewis, Frankfort, Grand Generalissimo.

E. Sir Knight Thomas Jefferson Smith, Bowling Green, Grand Captain General.

E. Sir Knight Robert Rodes Burnam, Richmond, Grand Senior Warden.

E. Sir Knight John Walden Landrum, Mayfield, Grand Junior Warden.

E. Sir Knight Thomas Arbuthnot Keith, Maysville, Grand Prelate.

E. Sir Knight David Piny Robb, Versailles, Grand Treasurer.

E. Sir Knight Alfred Hughes Bryant, Covington, Grand Recorder.

E. Sir Knight William R. Johnston, Lebanon, Grand Standard Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Robert Sears Moses, Louisville, Grand Sword Bearer.

E. Sir Knight Joseph Hedges Ewalt, Kiserston, Grand Warden.

E. Sir Knight John Gheens Cramer, Lexington, Grand Captain of Guard.

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS.

*Wm. Brown, 1847.

*Henry Wingate, 1847.

*Henry Wingate, 1848.

*Joseph Peters, 1849.

*Solomon K. Grant, 1850.

*D. S. Goodloe, 1851.

*Boone Ralley, 1852.

*Jacob Owen, 1853.

*William C. Keas, 1854.

*Thos. U. Kinkead, 1855.

*Caleb J. Sanders, 1856.

*David J. Ayres, 1857.

*Theodore N. Wise, 1858.

*Stephen F. Gano, 1859.

*Henry R. Orr, 1860.

*Wm. C. Munger, 1861.

*L. C. Steadman, 1862.

*P. H. Jeffries, 1863.

*H. H. Culbertson, 1865.

Chas. R. Woodruff, 1866.

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John M. Worrall, 1868.

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*Wm. A. Warner, 1870.

Martin H. Smith, 1871.

William H. Warren, 1872.

Henry Bostwick, 1873.

*James A. Beattie, 1874.

*Hiram Bassett, 1875.

*Samuel S. Parker, 1876.

Jacob Swigert, 1877.

W. LaRue Thomas, 1878.

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William Ryan, 1879.

*D. V. Johnson, 1880.

James E. Cantrill, 1881.

*Thos. H. Sherley, 1882.

Edwin G. Hall, 1883.

Bernard G. Witt, 1884.

James M. Saffell, 1885.

*John S. Lyle, 1886.

Henry G. Sandifer, 1887.

*Horace January, 1888.

J. G. Montgomery, 1889.

William H. Meffert, 1890.

John W. Pruett, 1891.

Chas. H. Fisk, 1892.

Thos. J. Flournoy, 1893.

*Jas. D. Lewis, 1894.

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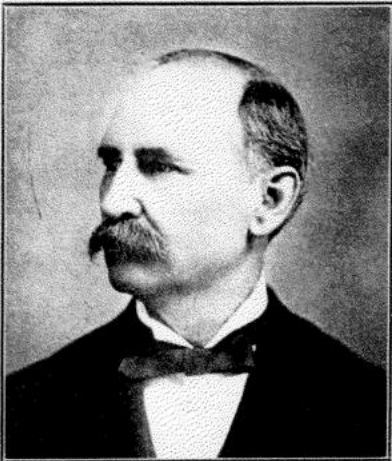
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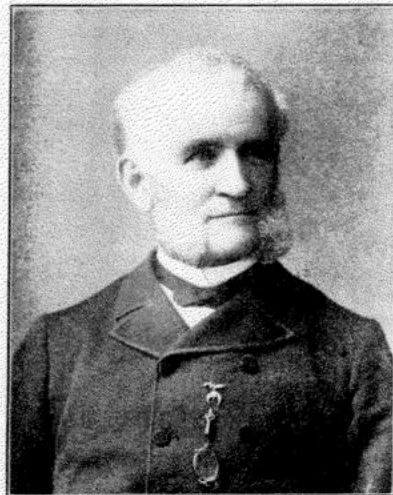
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236	1	LOUISVILLE	Louisville	B. Castleman	Thomas E. Wilson
82	2	WEBB	Lexington	Keel G. Pulliam	L. Gay Strode
36	3	VERSAILLES	Versailles	Henry McWilliams	Charles M. Browning
91	4	FRANKFORT	Frankfort	Mason P. Brown	Chas. N. Wiard
30	5	MONTGOMERY	Mt. Sterling	Benjamin F. Day	Geo. L. Kirkpatrick
48	6	MOORE	Hopkinsville	Wm. B. Brewer	Arthur E. Bentley
126	7	COVINGTON	Covington	Lyon Liston	Alfred H. Bryant
19	9	BRADFORD	Georgetown	Harry A. Bowne	David A. Adams
144	10	MAYSVILLE	Maysville	Wm. Trouts, Jr.	L. Collins Blatterman
109	11	PADUCAH	Paducah	Wm. H. Pinkerton	Charles Holliday
501	12	DEMOLAY	Louisville	John L. Adams	Philip Trapnall Allin
57	13	NEWPORT	Newport	William S. Knable	Henry F. Shrader
55	14	HENDERSON	Henderson	Henry T. Soaper	Richard Stites
35	15	OWENSBORO	Owensboro	Joshua D. Powers	Jacob C. Wandling
59	16	CYNTHIANA	Cynthiana	John L. Robinson	Orle Lebus
117	17	RYAN	Danville	Fred Harris	Henry G. Sandifer
92	19	RICHMOND	Richmond	David R. Tevis	John A. Higgins
37	20	J. C. BRECKINRIDGE	Flemingsburg	John F. Mills	Isaiah K. Vansant
55	21	ALIDA	Sturgis	Samuel P. Sturgis	Robert F. Bishop
51	23	BOWLING GREEN	Bowling Green	Jno. R. Sharpe	John Henry Fenwick
203	24	MARION	Lebanon	Wm. J. Cardwell	Ben P. Doom
15	25	RUSSELLVILLE	Russellville	Jonathan C. Morton	James Richard Perry
32	26	COEUR DE LION	Paris	Edwin K. Thomas	Clifton F. Didiake
46	27	MADISONVILLE	Madisonville	Edward L. Wise	Samuel Bassett
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Grand Commander 1900—Russellville.



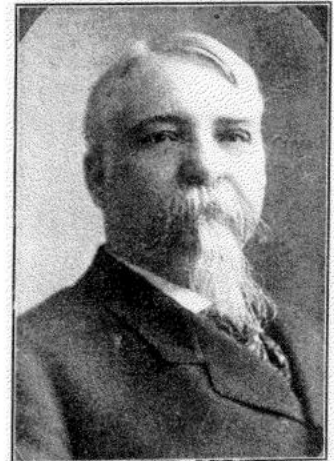
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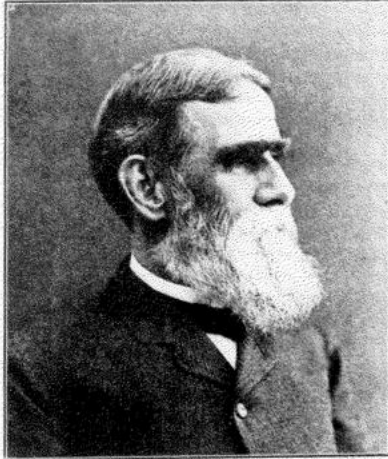
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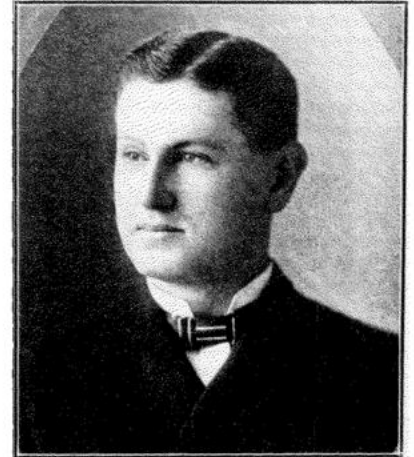
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Grand Recorder; Recorder and Past Commander
Covington Commandery No. 7—Covington.



R. EM. SIR SAMUEL HANSON STONE.
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EM. SIR HENRY BANNISTER GRANT.
Past Grand Recorder; Member De Molay No. 12—
Louisville.



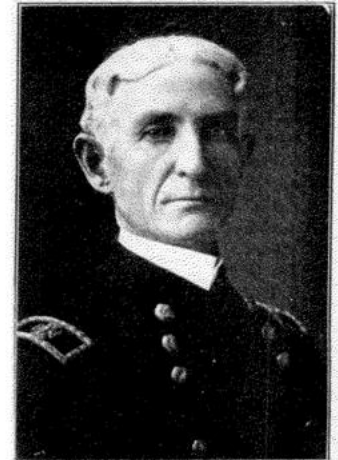
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Grand Captain of the Guards—Lexington.



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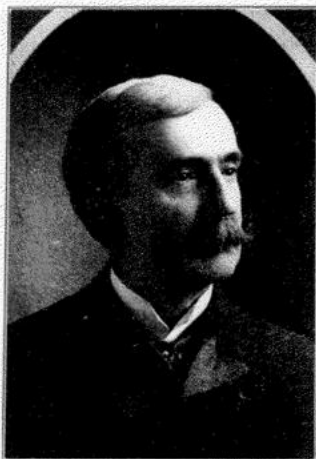


EM. SIR JOSEPH HEDGES EWALT.
Grand Warden—Paris.



EM. SIR THOMAS A. KEITH.
Grand Junior Warden; Past Commander Mays-
ville Commandery No. 10—Maysville.

KENTUCKY—OFFICERS OF GRAND COMMANDERY KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.



EM. SIR JOHN W. THROCKMORTON.
Commander Webb Commandery No. 2—Lexington.



EM. SIR KEEL G. PULLIAM.
Past Commander Webb Commandery No. 2—
Lexington.



EM. SIR JOHN GHEENS CRAMER.
Past Commander Webb Commandery No. 2—
Lexington.



EM. SIR DANIEL W. PEED.
Commander Coeur de Lion Commandery No. 26—
Paris.

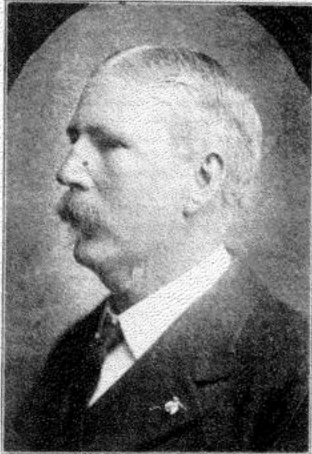


SIR KT. EDGAR J. ASHCRAFT.
Marion Commandery No. 24—Lebanon.



EM. SIR JOSEPH HEDGES EWALT.
Past Commander Cynthia Commandery No. 16—
Paris.

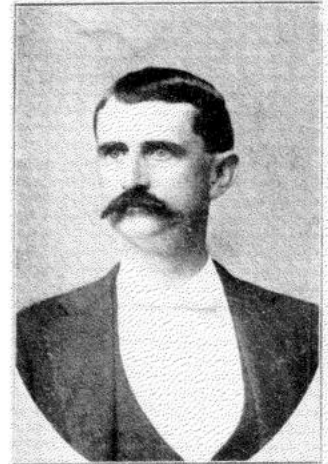
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Frankfort.



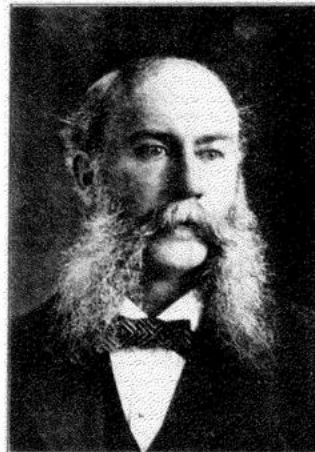
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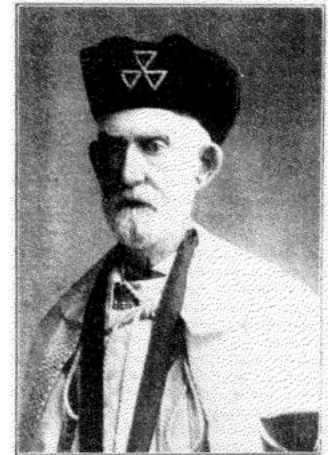
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Ryan Commandery No. 17-Danville.



EM SIR BRINTON B. DAVIS.
Captain General and Past Commander Paducah
Commandery No. 11-Paducah.

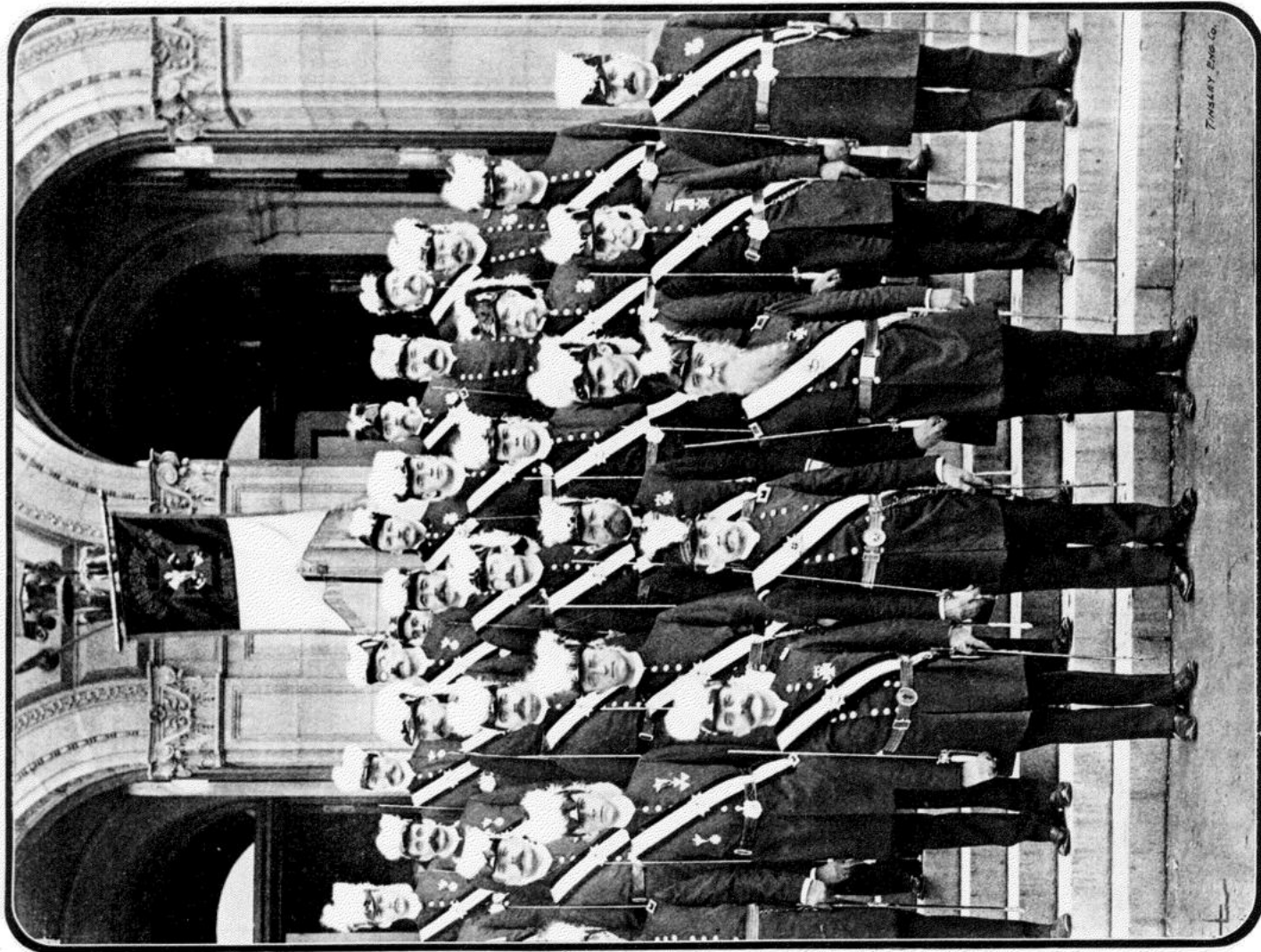


EM. SIR JOHN J. REYNOLDS, M. D.
Senior Warden and Past Commander J. C. Breck-
inridge Commandery No. 20-Flemingsburg.



EM. SIR LEVI WILLARD MARBLE.
Prelate for over twenty-five years and Past Com-
mander Owensboro Commandery No. 15-Owensboro.

KENTUCKY--COMMANDERIES KNIGHTS TEMPLAR: FRANKFORT NO. 4, FRANKFORT; PADUCAH NO. 11, PADUCAH; OWENSBORO
NO. 15 OWENSBORO; RYAN NO. 17, DANVILLE; J. C. BRECKINRIDGE NO. 20, FLEMINGSBURG;
RUSSELLVILLE NO. 25, RUSSELLVILLE.



KENTUCKY-LOUISVILLE COMMANDERY NO. 1 AT THE 27TH TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE, PITTSBURG, PA.

- Joseph M. Dicket, Ewell Marshall, Wm. M. McKown, George E. Terrell, Louis C. Scheffey, Henry M. Reese,
- Charles F. Fink, Jason F. Barrett, N. Tinas, Charles D. Meyer,
- Thomas P. Satterwhite, Jr., Burton A. Ricketts, James H. Hildebrand, Oscar H. Mattmiller,
- Irving Castlemann, Herman Hoopner, Henry S. Barker, Frank Fehr, Thomas E. Wilson,
- Thomas C. Timberlake, John H. Leathers, Americus Whedon,
- John U. Cox.

Tinsley, Eng. Co.

Louisville Commandery No. 1, Louisville, Kentucky.

In December, 1839, application was made to Sir Knight Reese, Grand Captain General of the "General Encampment of the United States," to institute an encampment in the city of Louisville. The application was granted and dispensation issued bearing date of January 2, 1840, with the proviso "that this dispensation do continue and be in force until the next Triennial Meeting of the General Grand Encampment and no longer." This action Sir Knight Reese reported to the Eighth Triennial Conclave, held September 15, 1841. At this Conclave the Committee on Warrants recommended "that charters be granted to Cincinnati Encampment No. 3 and to Louisville Encampment No. —." The report was adopted and a charter granted by the General Grand Encampment of the United States to Louisville Encampment No. 1 under date of September 17, 1841. In addition to this the Louisville Commandery holds a charter from the Legislature of the State of Kentucky, designating it as "Louisville Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar, with perpetual succession and by that name shall be known and called."

The following were charter members: Wilkins Tennehill, John R. Hall, John McDougal, A. D. Eirich, Chas. B. Allen, Philip Tompert and O. Montcalm, and its first officers were William Tannehill, Eminent Commander; O. Montcalm, Generalissimo; John McDougal, Captain General; Thomas P. Hart, Prelate, Nathaniel P. Hardy, Senior Warden; Thomas Welby, Junior Warden; Thomas J. Read, Treasurer; Isaac Cromie, Recorder; William B. Phillips, Standard Bearer; E. Webb, Sword Bearer; W. P. Colston, Warder; Philip Tompert, Sentinel. The orders were first conferred in the Commandery March, 1840, upon Nathaniel Hardy and Thomas P. Hart. Since that time about one thousand Sir Knights have received the orders in Louisville Commandery. This Commandery has furnished the following Grand Commanders of the Grand

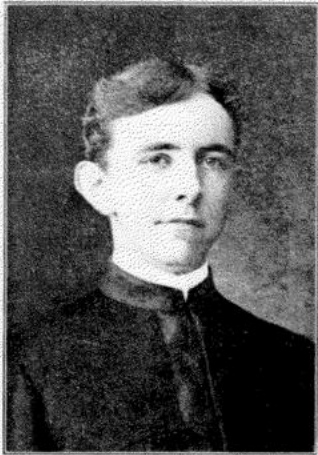
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EMINENT COMMANDERS.

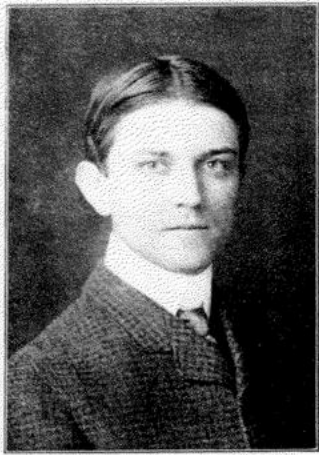
Wilkins Tennehill, 1840; Nathaniel Hardy, John R. Hall, William F. Colston, S. K. Grant, Jacob Owen, John H. Howe, Samuel Griffith, Henry Hudson, Guerdon Gates, Frank Tryon, Wm. C. Munger, Chas. R. Woodruff, John L. Anderson, William A. Warner, Samuel S. Parker, H. H. Neal, Henry C. Courtney, Chas. F. Billingsly, J. Moss Terry, Samuel Casseday, Jr., Thos. H. Sherley, J. L. Beeler, Chas. E. Dunn, Colin C. W. Alfriend, John H. Leathers, John F. Lewis, C. L. Martin, Chas. F. Hill, J. Mattmiller, Frank H. Johnson, George Pearce, John A. Armstrong, Thomas C. Timberlake, Chas. D. Meyer, Henry A. Vaughan, Jas. C. McFerran, Thos. P. Satterwhite, Jr., Clarence A. Warren, John T. Bate, Henry M. Reese, Stuart R. Young, Breckinridge Castleman.

Sir Knight John M. Farrar, created a Knight Templar in 1851, is the oldest active member of the Commandery. Sir Knight Cuthbert Bullitt received the order in 1842 and Sir Knight Henry W. Gray in 1850. Both were for many years active and enthusiastic members, and though now respectively ninety and eighty years of age, and demitted, they still take a lively interest in the welfare of "Old No. 1."

Right Eminent Sir Charles R. Woodruff is the oldest living Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the State of Kentucky. The history of Louisville Commandery is but the record of Templar Masonry in Kentucky, its members are of the most prominent business and professional men of the city, and its valiant appearance at every Triennial Conclave and its knightly exemplification of the principles of the Order have given it a national reputation.



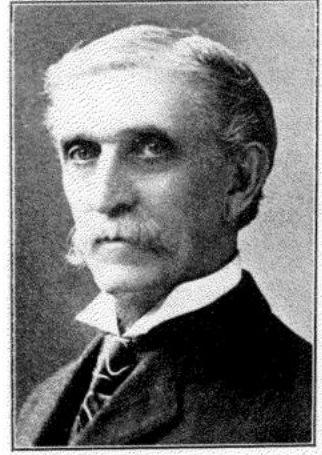
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Commander.



SIR KT. ROBERT W. BINGHAM.
Junior Warden.



SIR KT. GEORGE W. WEEDON.
Sword Bearer.



SIR KT. THOMAS E. WILSON.
Recorder.



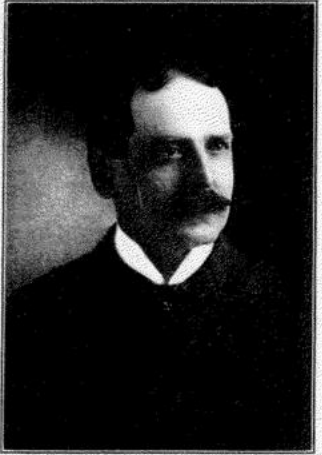
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Past Commander.



EM. SIR THOS. C. TIMBERLAKE.
Past Commander.



EM. SIR JAMES C. McFERRAN.
Past Commander.



EM. SIR T. P. SATTERWHITE, JR.
Past Commander.

KENTUCKY--LOUISVILLE COMMANDERY NO. 1 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, LOUISVILLE.



E.M. SIR HENRY M. REESE.
Past Commander.



SIR KT. WILLIAM B. HOKE.



SIR KT. EDWARD ROWLAND.



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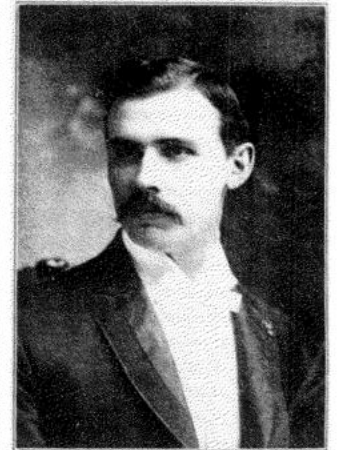
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KENTUCKY-LOUISVILLE COMMANDERY NO. 1, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, LOUISVILLE.



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SIR KT. ARTHUR M. WALLACE.



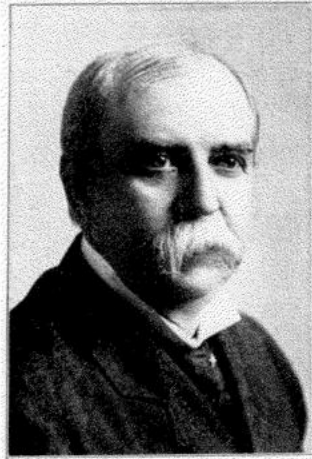
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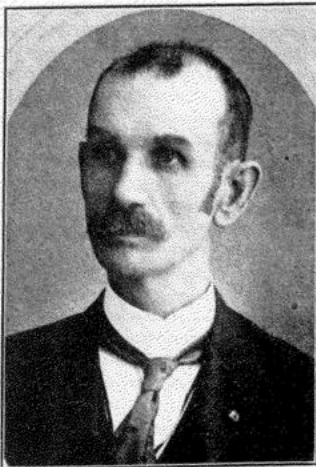
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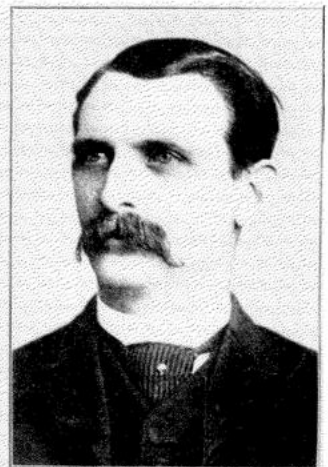
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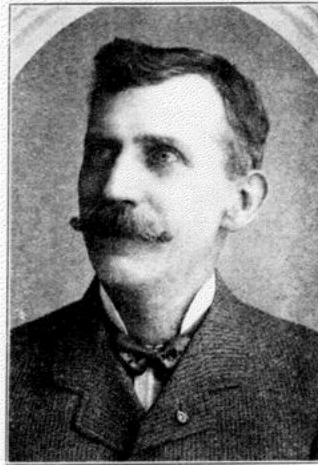


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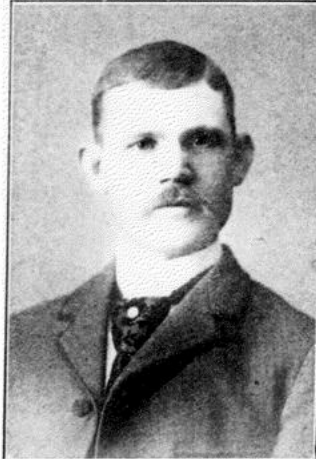
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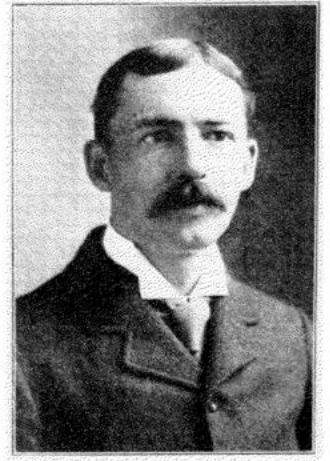
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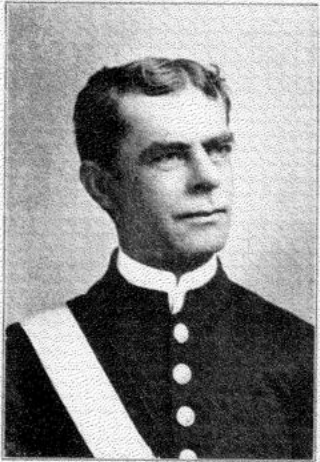
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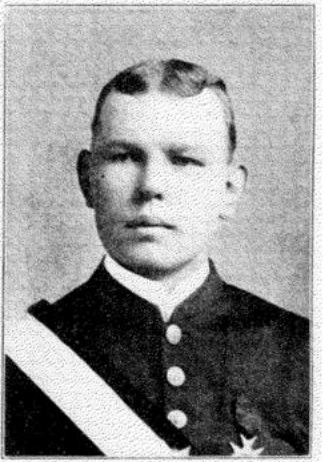
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SIR KT. CHARLES A. RAY.



SIR KT. CHARLES VAUPEL.



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SIR KT. CHARLES W. BORNWASSER.



SIR KT. SAUNDERS P. JONES.
Member Executive Committee 28th
Triennial Conclave.



SIR KT. CHAS. NORTON MOURNING, M. D.



SIR KT. CHARLES C. BUFNER.



SIR KT. JOHN H. MILLER.



SIR KT. THEODORE KLARER.



SIR KT. CHARLES A. SOMMERVILLE.

KENTUCKY-LOUISVILLE COMMANDERY NO. 1, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR LOUISVILLE.

DeMolay Commandery No. 12, Louisville, Kentucky.

DeMolay Commandery No 12 was organized under dispensation, April 13, 1867, and set to work under charter July 1st of the same year. The petition was signed by twenty-five Knights Templar, but, owing to the bitterness of opposition, four of the petitioners withdrew, and the Commandery started on its eventful career with twenty-one "valiant and magnanimous" Templars, to struggle against odds and triumph over all opposers. Richard G. Hawkins and H. B. Grant were the originators, and performed all the preliminary work in the formation of the Commandery. The first became Commander; the second wrote its first by-laws, its tactics and its history.

The first return to the Grand Commandery showed a gain of four; the second year seven were added to its membership; the third year, ten; the fourth year, fourteen; the sixth year, twenty-two; the seventh year, twenty-four, and the past year ninety-seven were added to the roll, while the membership now numbers something over five hundred and fifty, with numerous petitions coming in.

In a social way DeMolay is never excelled; in "work" its equal for pathos and dramatic effect is rarely found, and "in the field" it has shown its superiority by winning the state banner in several drill contests, the second prize of a libation set in an inter-state drill (1880) in Chicago, and the first prize in a drill (1883) with Champion Commanderies in San Francisco. (See page 428.)

The liberality of DeMolay has been almost prodigal, and besides the numerous contributions it has made to charitable objects, it holds twelve more Life Memberships, of \$100 each, in the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home, than the ag-

gregate held by all the other Commanderies of Kentucky, and more than the Grand Commandery and all others of its subordinates.

Among those who have been members of DeMolay, one was a Governor of the state, two were Mayors of Louisville, others members of Congress, judges of courts, presidents and cashiers of banks, leading merchants and editors. One was Grand Master of the Grand Encampment; three were Presidents, three Secretaries, and two Treasurers of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home; a goodly number were presiding officers of the Masonic Grand bodies of Kentucky, "York" and Scottish Rites; several Grand Secretaries of the Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter; one Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery; one is Secretary General of the A. A. S. R., Southern Jurisdiction.

Its zeal never wavers and its activity and hospitality are unsurpassed, so that its favorable reputation extends to every jurisdiction, and its popularity is enviable.

A history of DeMolay Commandery, full gilt, containing 372 pages (size of cover, 6½ x 9¼ inches) and over 300 portraits, illustrations and "cuts" was published in 1897.

Whenever anything is to be done, either in work, drill, benevolence, entertainment or fun, DeMolay is always in the van. Very large detachments attended the funerals of Presidents Garfield and McKinley, and it is "only waiting till the shadows have a little longer grown" to do greater things as opportunities come trooping along.

THIS IS THE "YELL"

De—Mo—lay, rah, roo, ray!
None can shelve num—ber twelve!
Rah, boom, ray, De—Mo—lay.



MINERS' VASE.

First Prize Won by DeMolay Commandery No. 12
in an Interstate Competitive Drill at the
Twenty-second Triennial Conclave—
San Francisco.



LIBATION SET.

Second Prize won by DeMolay Commandery No. 12 in an Interstate Competitive Drill, at the
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**KENTUCKY—TROPHIES WON BY DEMOLAY COMMANDERY NO. 12,
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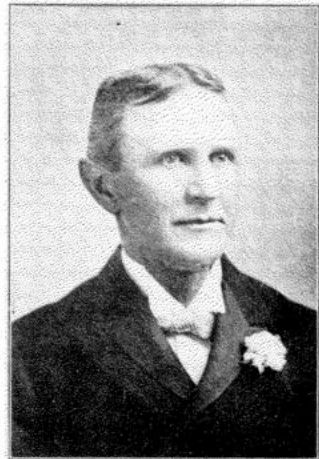
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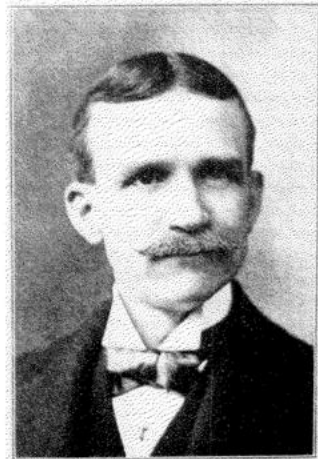
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Past Commander, Grand Commander.



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Past Commander, Grand Commander.



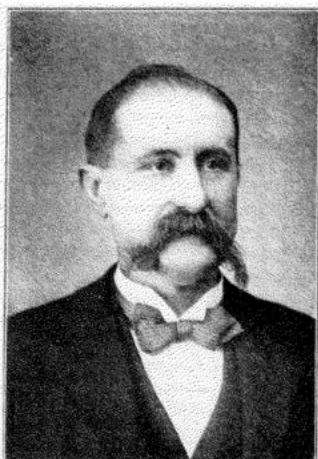
EM. SIR JOHN A. STRATTON.
Past Commander.



EM. SIR WILL E. RYAN.
Past Commander; Secretary Twenty-
eighth Triennial Conclave Committee.



EM. SIR EDWARD C. PEARSON.
Past Commander.



EM. SIR JOHN H. SANAMAN.
Past Commander.



EM. SIR FRED. W. HARDWICK.
Past Commander.

KENTUCKY--PAST COMMANDERS DEMOLAY COMMANDERY NO. 12, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, LOUISVILLE.



EM. SIR JOHN L. ADAMS.
Commander 1901.



EM. SIR RUDOLPH F. VOGT.
Generalissimo; (elected Commander,
1902.)



SIR KT. THOS. LEWIS JEFFERSON.
Treasurer.



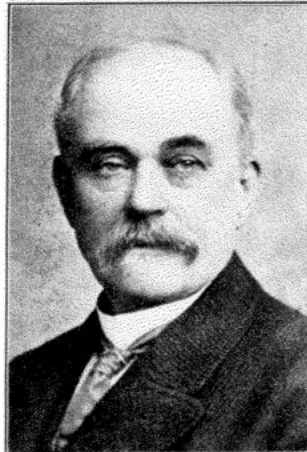
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Recorder.



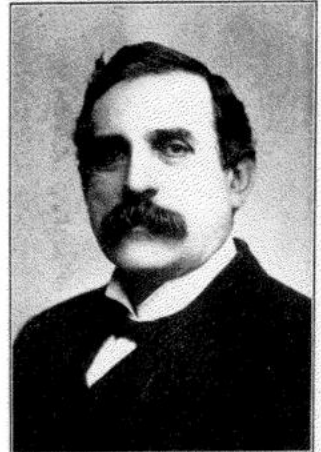
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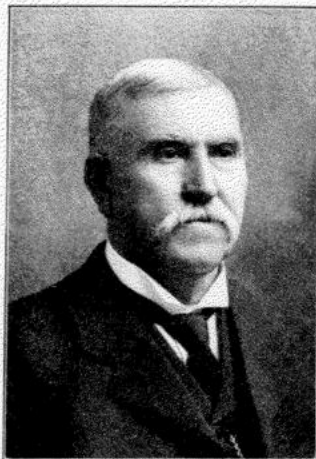


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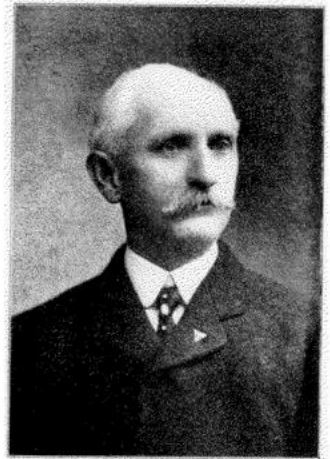
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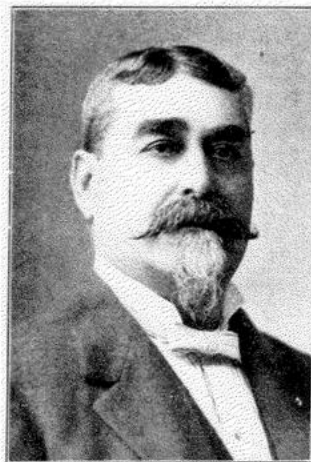
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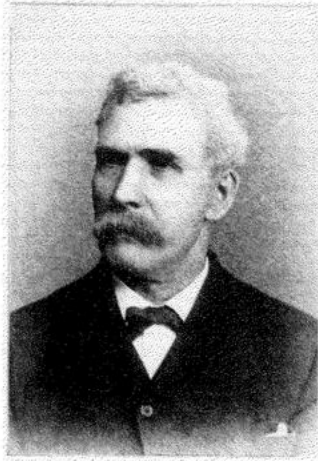
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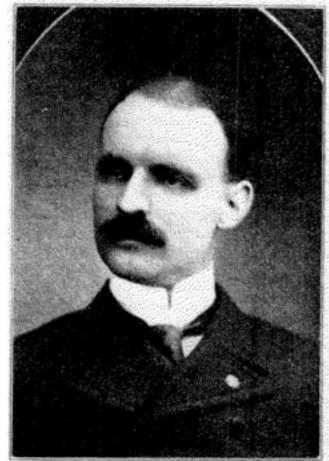
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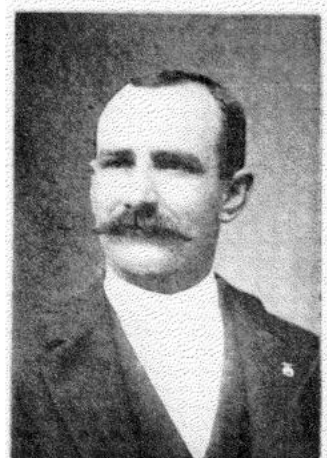
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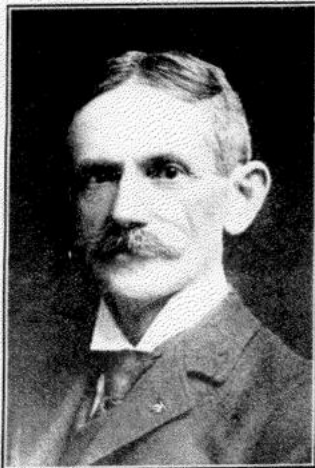
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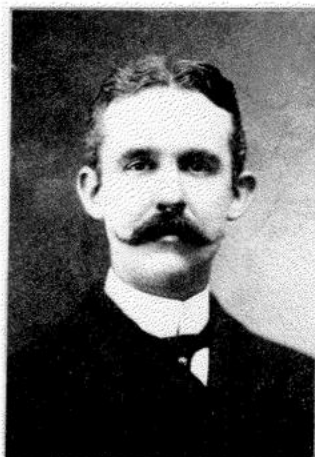
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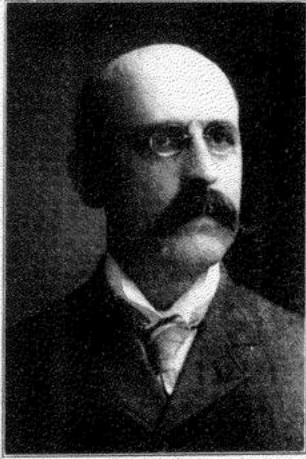


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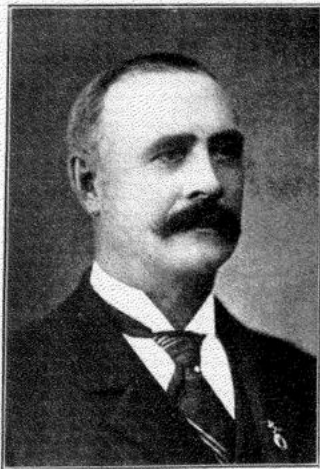
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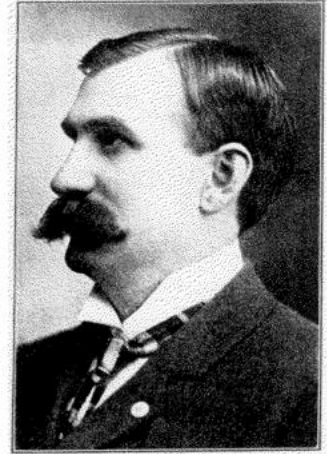
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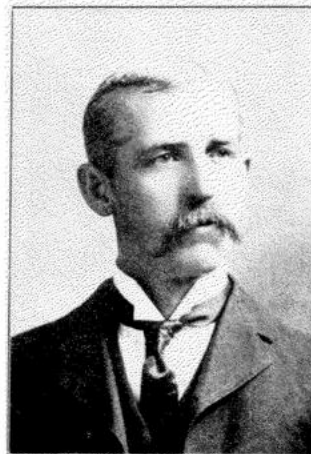
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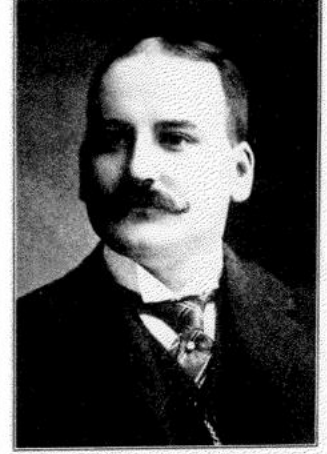
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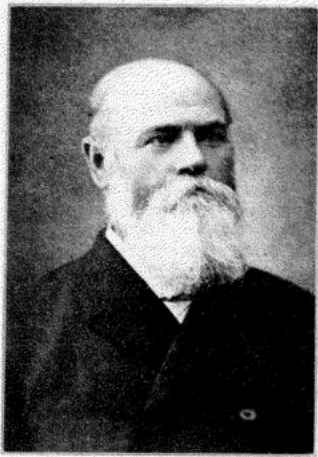
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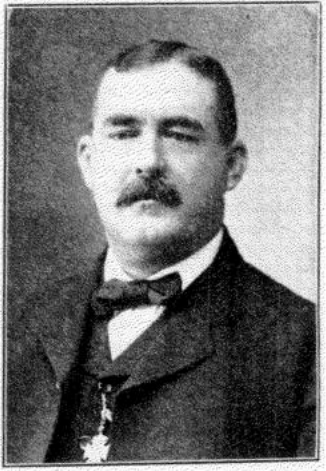
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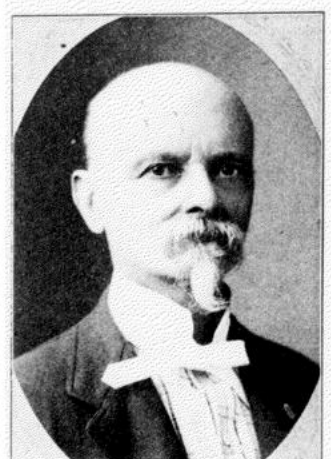
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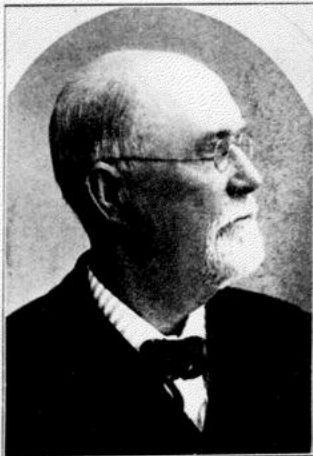
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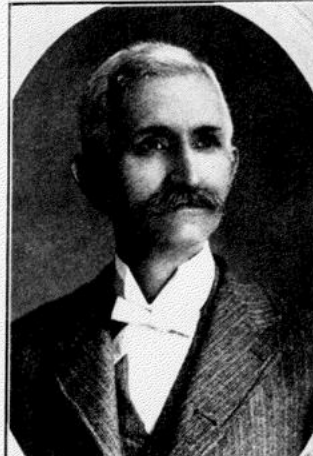
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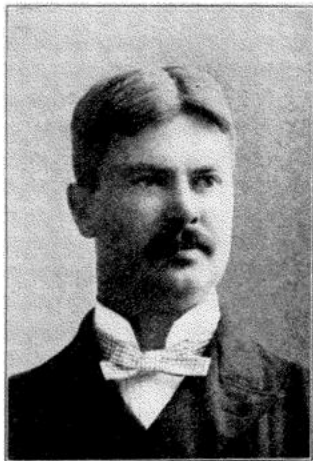
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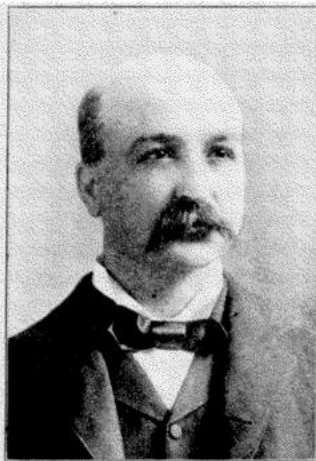
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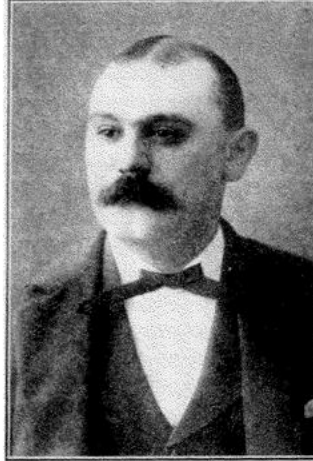
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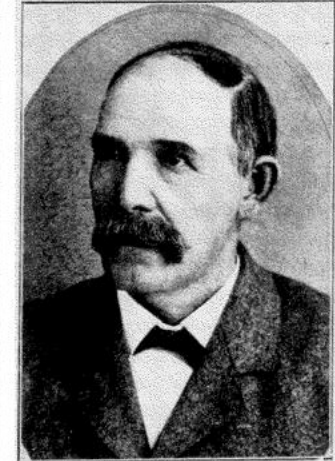
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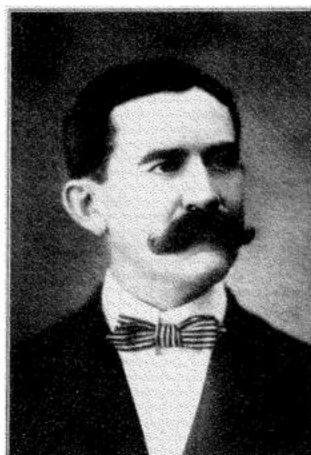
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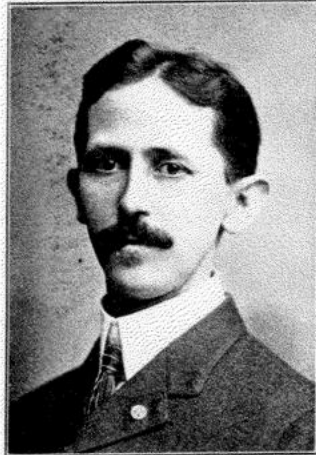
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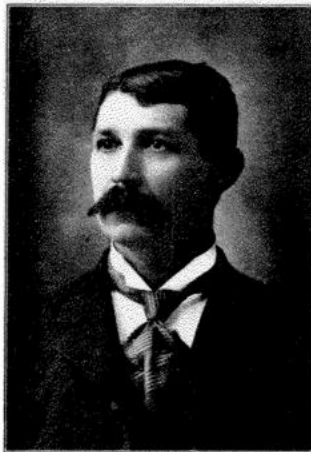
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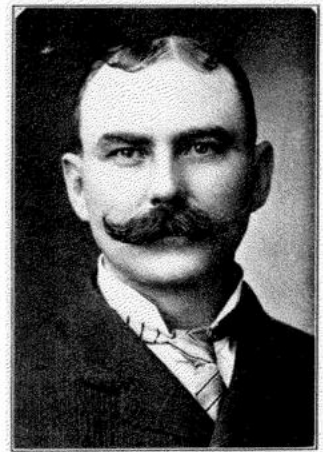
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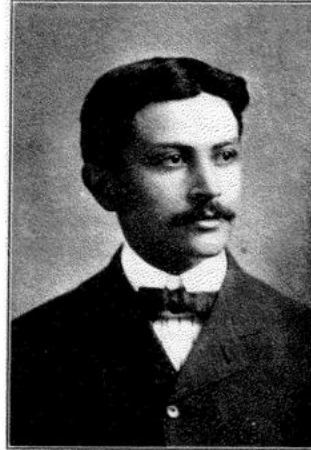
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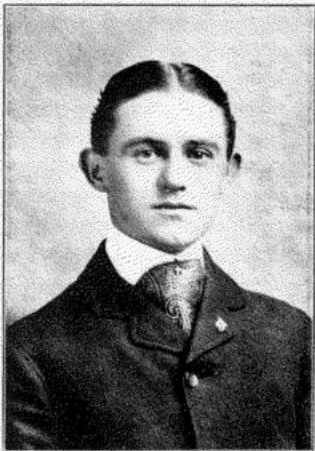
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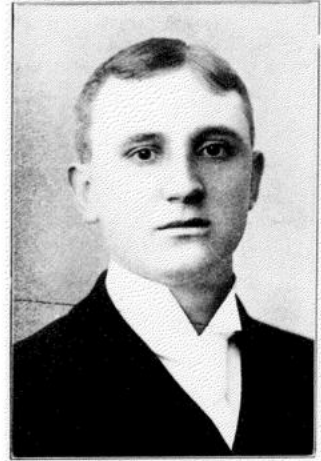
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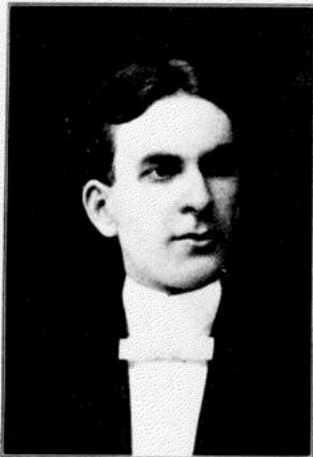
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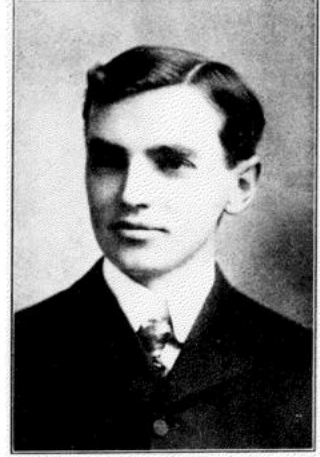
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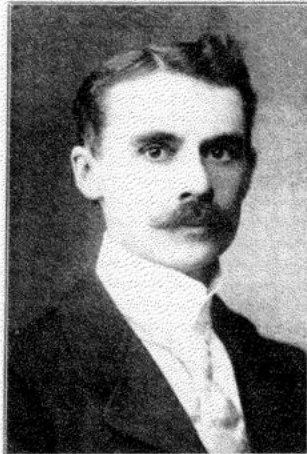
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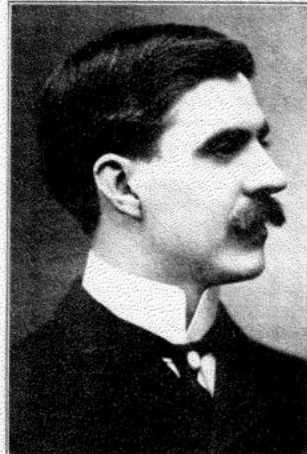
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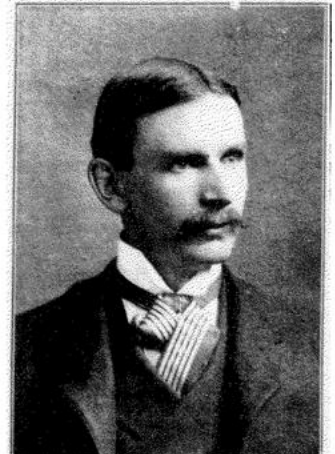
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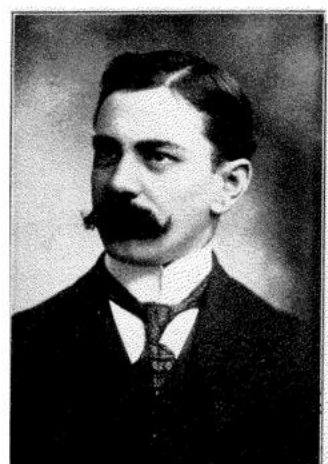
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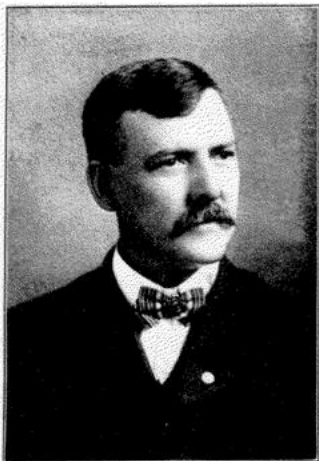
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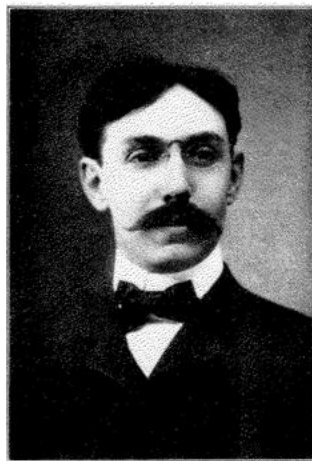
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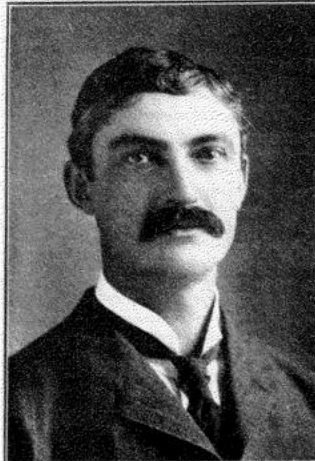


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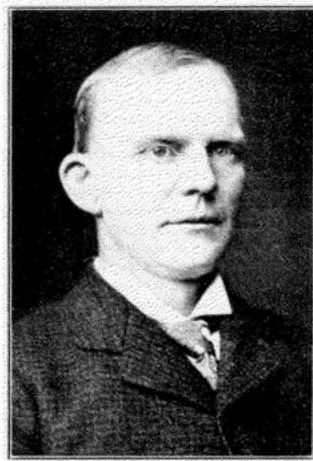
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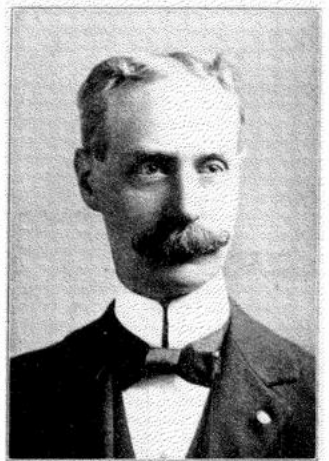
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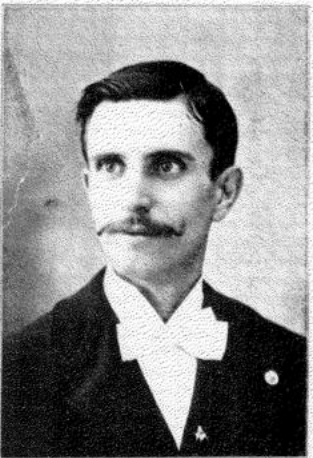
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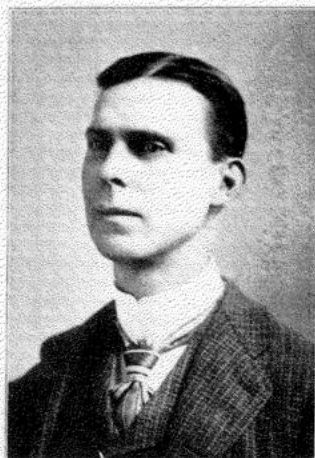
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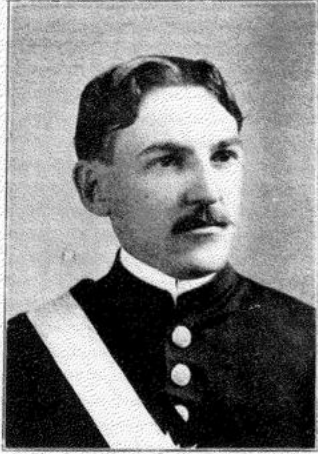


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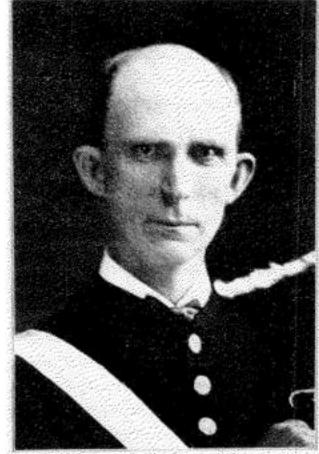
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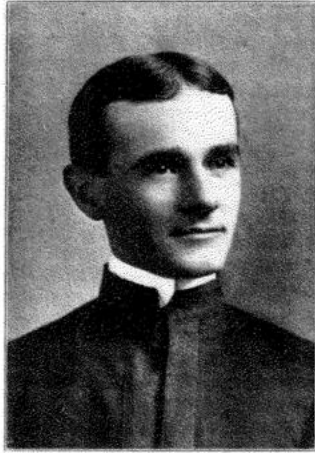
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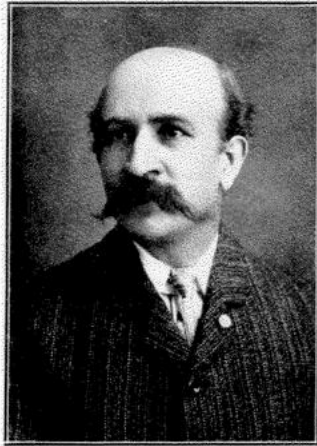


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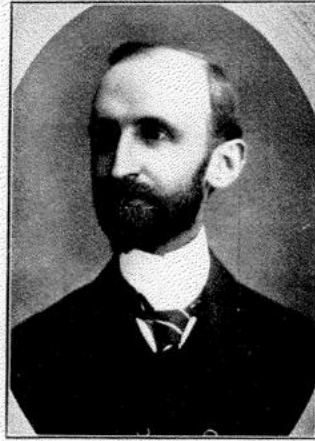
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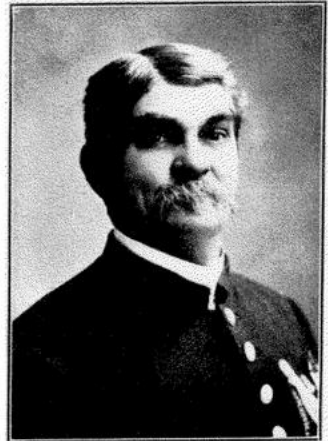
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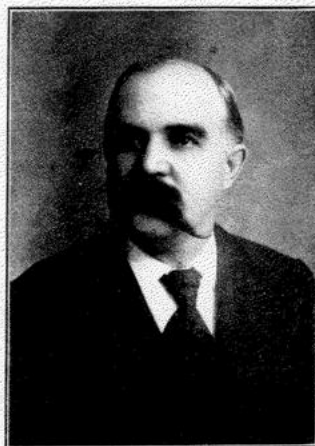
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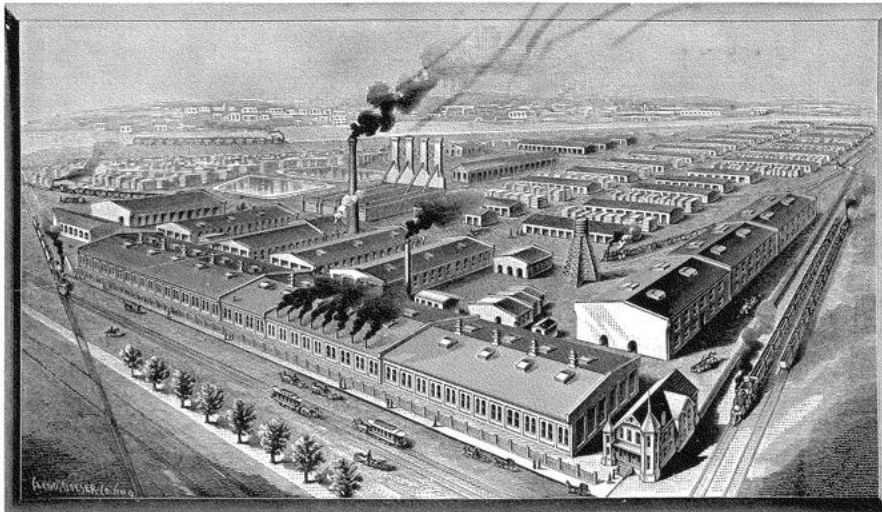
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