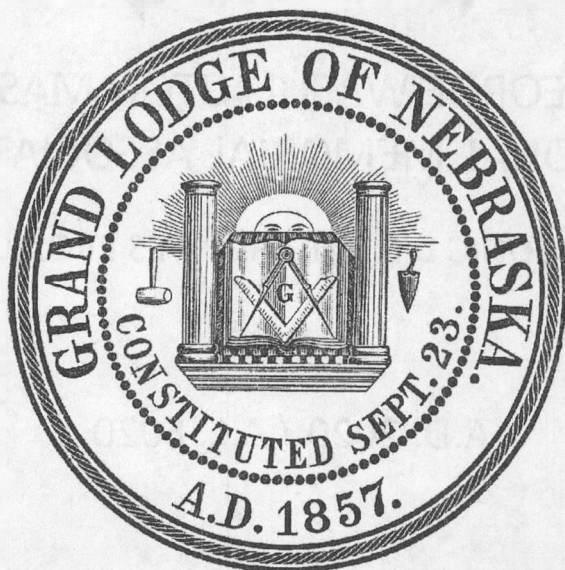


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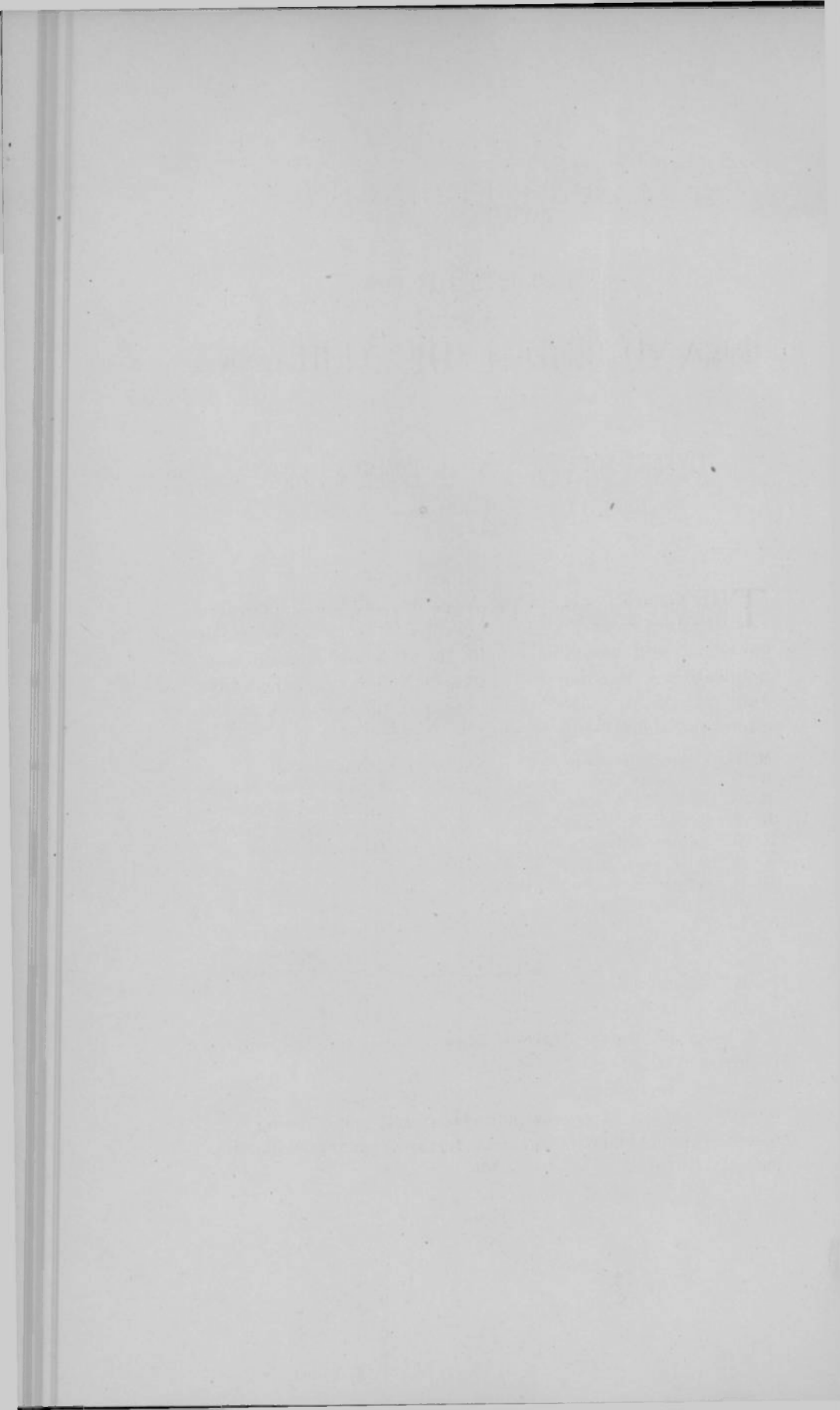
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THE Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Nebraska convened and assembled in its twenty-fourth annual communication in Masonic Hall, Lincoln, Nebraska, on Tuesday, June 21, A. . L. . 5881, A. D. 1881, at three o'clock in the afternoon, there being present:

M. W. JAMES A. TULLEYS	Grand Master.
R. W. JAMES R. CAIN	Deputy Grand Master.
R. W. EDWIN F. WARREN	Grand Senior Warden.
R. W. SAMUEL W. HAYES	Grand Junior Warden.
R. W. CHRISTIAN HARTMAN	Grand Treasurer.
R. W. WILLIAM R. BOWEN	Grand Secretary.
R. W. GEORGE SCOTT	Grand Chaplain.
W. SAMUEL P. DAVIDSON	Grand Orator.
V. W. HIRAM C. RIDER (P. D. G. M.)	Grand Lecturer.
W. FRANK E. BULLARD <i>as</i>	Grand Marshal.
W. FRANCIS E. WHITE	Grand Senior Deacon.
W. JOHN J. WEMPLE	Grand Junior Deacon.
Bro. JOHN McCLELLAND	Grand Tiler.

A lodge of Master Masons was opened in ample form, as required by the law of the Grand Lodge.

It being ascertained that a quorum of lodges was present (sixty-seven out of seventy-four chartered lodges being represented), the Grand Lodge was declared open for the dispatch of business.

The following committees, appointed June 1, '81, were now announced, viz:*

On Visiting Brethren—Bros.: Alfred L. Palmer, 19; Charles B. Palmer, 54; Henry Gibbons, 46; David E. Bomgardner, 60, and Nathan Carter, 21.

On Credentials—Bros.: Tyler C. Hoyt, 13; Robert G. Brown, 49; Julius Neubauer, 75, and Manly E. Boardman, 78.

On Accounts—Bros.: W. H. Lowe, 55; Fred J. Benedict, 50, and James B. Northcutt, 12.

Charters and Dispensations—Bros.: George W. Howard, 44; William E. Hatch, 76; James F. Burns, 72, and Pliny E. Dinsmore, 30. This committee met at Lincoln at 3 P.M. yesterday.

On By-Laws from Chartered Lodges—Bros.: M. B. Reese, 59; George Cross, 35; Wilson M. Maddox, 9, and Joseph B. White, 36.

On Foreign Correspondence—Bros.: William R. Bowen, 3; Edwin F. Warren, 2, and Daniel H. Wheeler, 6.

On Ways and Means—Bros.: Frank E. Bullard, 32; John H. Cummins, 23; William Leese, 38; John L. Tidball, 37, and Barnabas E. Swift, 42.

On Charity—Bros.: Horace A. Scott, 65; A. Shipman, 70, and Frank E. Caldwell, 1.

On Grievances—Bros.: Gustave Anderson, 11; William H. Mann, 64; C. C. Chapin, 63; William P. Fisher, 26, and Charles A. Speice, 58.

On Unfinished Business—Bros.: John W. Hughes, 43; F. J. Engle, 68, and Henry Brown, 2.

On Pay-Roll—Bros.: Francis E. White, 6; Joseph M. Fisher, 79, and S. J. Whitten, 67.

On Jurisprudence—The Past Grand Masters, with M. W. Bro.: Rolland H. Oakley, chairman.

On Returns—Bros.: Eben K. Long, 11; Richard T. Hume, 3; Frank H. Young, 61, and John J. Mercer, 4.

The committees on Visiting Brethren and on Credentials were assembled by the Grand Master, and entered upon their labors.

Past Grand Master Hastings moved that all Master Masons in good standing be admitted to seats during this communication, which was agreed to.

The Grand Master now delivered his

ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

At the opening of this the twenty-fourth annual communication, it devolves upon me to report to you the general condition of our Craft throughout the jurisdiction, to submit for your approval or disapproval my own

*NOTE—The figures indicate the lodge to which the brother named belongs.

official acts, and to make such suggestions as may seem pertinent for the future welfare of our Fraternity.

From information derived from an extensive correspondence, the various subordinate lodges, or a majority of them, have seemed to be in good working order, with nothing of any serious moment to disturb the efficiency of each lodge, or prevent the fullest harmony between the several lodges.

The general visitation among the lodges by my predecessor is manifesting the best results, and in that I have found excuse and justification for not giving more attention to this branch of the Grand Master's duties than I have.

His work in this respect was thorough and universally approved. I have not deemed it best to hazard a repetition of his conduct while its results were still fresh, because I must either follow closely in his footsteps, which would be unnecessary, or introduce variations, which might institute comparisons, and they are proverbially odious.

It would have been a personal pleasure to have met you all in your various lodges, without official authority or superiority, simply as brother Masons, and in that capacity to have partaken with you of Masonic refreshment. But my absence from the state in the early part of the year postponed my active ministrations of this office, and the unusual storms of the winter seemed to combine with the floods of the spring to blockade the lines of travel when my official duties would have permitted excursions from home.

FRATERNAL DEAD.

I have received official information of the death of M.: W.: Bro.: Allen Hill Crowe, Grand Master of Masons of Nova Scotia, which occurred November 10, 1880, at the age of 47.

On the 23d day of January last passed away R.: W.: Bro.: William G. Tonn, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Wyoming, and also Grand Representative of this Grand Lodge near that of Wyoming.

I would recommend that suitable action be taken by this Grand Lodge relative to the deaths of Bros.: Crowe and Tonn.

FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Our relations with other Grand Lodges have continued amicable and fraternal.

There has been no occasion for any action of the Grand Master upon any difference between the lodges of this jurisdiction and other Masons or Masonic bodies, except in the matter of controversy between Riverton Lodge No. 63 and Bro.: Geo. T. Kimball, W.: M.: of Golden Lodge No. 1, of Colorado.

In this case a brother of Riverton Lodge, while in Colorado, applied to Bro.: Kimball for relief, and the latter wrote to the lodge, and received a reply recommending the brother to the courtesy and charity of Bro.: Kimball, who advanced the brother a small sum of money. Upon writing for its return the brother could not be found, whereupon correspondence opened between Bro.: Kimball and Riverton Lodge. By reason of a mis-

understanding of the facts, Riverton Lodge refused to satisfy Bro.: Kimball, and he made complaint to our Grand Secretary.

The matter being referred to me on my return to this jurisdiction last fall, I visited Riverton Lodge and instituted inquiry into the matter, upon which the occasion of the misunderstanding was disclosed, and the lodge promptly did its duty by fully reimbursing Bro.: Kimball.

I have received official notification of the severance of Masonic intercourse between the Grand Lodges of Missouri and New Mexico. The history of the difficulties which have led to the rupture of friendly relations between these two Grand Lodges is doubtless familiar to most of you, it being identical with controversies which have heretofore arisen between other grand bodies, resulting from a difference in the interpretation of the generally accepted law of "exclusive jurisdiction."

The question has been argued *pro* and *con*, with considerable warmth and much subtlety of reasoning.

Like all questions of that nature, technical refinement and logical deduction are inadequate to a solution of the problem. The question is one that must be solved by fraternal feelings, and considerations looking to the effect upon the prosperity of the Craft.

If our sister Grand Lodge of Missouri would look at the question from this standpoint, it would not seem difficult to persuade her that, while it is no great advantage to her to exercise jurisdiction over a lodge in New Mexico, it may be of serious disadvantage to the Grand Lodge of New Mexico to have the jurisdiction over its territory so divided.

Insistence upon technical right without substantial advantage should never be the rule, when substantial disadvantage may result to others.

This whole question should be acted upon by the various Grand Lodges,—in the west more especially,—and it would seem that, however plausible may be the reasoning by which the Grand Lodge of one state or territory sustains its supervision over lodges in the territorial jurisdiction of another Grand Lodge, the general advantage of the whole Fraternity may be best promoted by awarding to the Grand Lodge of any state or territory exclusive jurisdiction over all lodges within its boundaries.

NEW LODGES.

At our last annual communication charters were granted to Nelson Lodge No. 77, Nelson; Albion Lodge No. 78, at Albion; Geneva Lodge No. 79, at Geneva, and Waco Lodge No. 80, at Waco.

I instituted Nelson Lodge in person, and installed its officers.

Albion Lodge was instituted by W.: Bro.: Marshall Smith, of Lebanon Lodge, as my proxy; Geneva Lodge by W.: Bro.: Milton J. Hull, of Edgar Lodge, and Waco Lodge by W.: Bro.: W. M. Knapp, of York Lodge; and from the reports of these brethren I find in these new lodges a degree of interest and of excellence in work which augurs well for their future prosperity.

LODGES UNDER DISPENSATION.

I have issued dispensations to open and form new lodges as follows:

September 3, 1880, I issued a dispensation to eleven Master Masons to

open and hold a lodge at Fairfield, Clay county, with Bros.: Benj. F. Rawalt as Master, Oliver P. Alexander as S.: W.:, and Kirk J. Willis as J.: W.: They were recommended by Edgar Lodge No. 67, and had certificate from the Grand Lecturer.

September 16, 1880, on recommendation of Beatrice Lodge No. 26, and certificate from Grand Lecturer, I issued dispensation to thirteen Master Masons to open and hold a lodge at Blue Springs, Gage county, with Bro.: A. Samuels as Master, A. V. S. Saunders, S.: W.:, and C. A. Wessel, J.: W.:.

January 7, 1881, on recommendation of Keystone Lodge No. 62, and certificate from Bro.: N. R. Persinger, Custodian Third District, I issued dispensation to eleven Master Masons to open and hold a lodge at Doniphan, Hall county, with Bro.: Martin Ellis, Master, Irving M. Cole, S.: W.:, and Geo. H. Lamonte, J.: W.: This lodge was also recommended by P.: G.: Masters Jordan and Thummel.

January 24, 1881, on recommendation of Trowel Lodge No. 71, and certificate from R.: W.: Bro.: S. W. Hayes, Custodian Second District, I issued dispensation to open and hold a lodge at Niobrara, Knox county, to sixteen Master Masons, with Bros.: B. F. Chambers, Master Solomon Draper, S.: W.:, and J. W. Perkins, J.: W.:.

I presume that these lodges will all apply for charters at this session.

From reports received from them they are all prospering, and will be able to satisfy you as to their ability to manage the affairs of a lodge, and I would recommend in each case that a charter be granted.

February 12, 1881, having been notified that Bro.: Charles M. Carter, Master of St. Paul's Lodge, U.: D.:, had left the jurisdiction of said lodge, I appointed Bro.: Milo L. Macumber, S.: W.:, as Master, and Bro.: Peter K. Walters as S.: W.: Again, April 25, being informed that both Bros.: Macumber and Walters had left the jurisdiction, I appointed Bro.: Geo. T. Kendall as Master, and Bro.: Samuel Keeney as S.: W.: I am not advised as to whether this lodge will apply for a charter.

February 12, 1881, I ordered the name of Bro.: P. Morse erased from the dispensation of Blue Springs Lodge. This was done at the unanimous request of the brethren, including Bro.: Morse himself.

SPECIAL DISPENSATION.

November 13, 1880, I issued special dispensation to Frank Welch Lodge, No. 75, to ballot for, and if elected, to confer the M.: M.: degree at a special meeting.

I have also issued three dispensations, one to Acacia Lodge, No. 34, one to Alexandria Lodge, No. 74, and one to Mt. Moriah Lodge, No. 57, to confer the M.: M.: degree in less than the time provided by law.

Good and sufficient reasons were given in all these cases, and the usual fee was paid and transmitted to the Grand Secretary.

I have received a number of applications for permission to receive the petition of a candidate who had been a resident of the jurisdiction for less than one year. Deeming the reasons assigned in these cases to be insufficient, I in every instance declined to issue a dispensation for that purpose.

Various amendments to by-laws have been submitted to me, which were

approved. I have also approved the by-laws of Acacia Lodge, No. 34, Geneva Lodge, No. 79, and Nelson Lodge, No. 77.

Permission has been given Thistle Lodge, No. 61, Aurora Lodge, No. 68, and Albion Lodge, No. 78, to remove to and hold their meetings in new halls.

I have issued dispensations to quite a number of lodges to install officers after the regular time.

On the 25th of February last the hall of Blue Valley Lodge, No. 64, was destroyed by fire. The lodge property, including charter, was burned. On the 1st of March I issued, without fee, a special dispensation to said lodge authorizing them to continue their Masonic labors the same as if their charter was still in existence, directing them to return said dispensation to this session of the Grand Lodge, and I recommend that a duplicate charter be issued to said Blue Valley Lodge, No. 64.

On the 2d day of December, 1880, I issued an edict restoring the charter to Fortitude Lodge, No. 69.

This action was taken after mature deliberation, and after receiving the strongest pledges from the brethren as to their future conduct as a lodge.

From observations made, during a personal visitation, I am satisfied that the brethren are acting in good faith, and that the lodge will give no cause for complaint in the future.

OFFICIAL DECISIONS.

I have made but few decisions during the year to which it is necessary to call attention, the large majority of questions asked being answered by a simple reference to our laws or to decisions heretofore rendered.

The following, however, I submit for your action.

1. Can a lodge whose charter has been suspended and afterward restored charge the members with dues during the time of such suspension?

Answer. The members are not liable for dues during the suspension of the charter.

2. A. B. petitions a lodge for initiation, a committee is appointed on said petition, but are not present at the next regular meeting. The Master adds two members to the committee, who report immediately, and the candidate is balloted for and elected. Were the proceedings regular?

Ans. No: if the original committee were not ready to report, or if not present, no action should have been taken. The duty of a petition committee is to investigate the character and standing of the candidate, and if this cannot be done in one month they are entitled to longer time.

3. If a candidate should be initiated where the report of committee and the ballot were irregular, would he be a clandestine Mason?

Ans. No, but the lodge would render itself liable to discipline.

SCHOOL OF INSTRUCTION.

A Grand Lodge school of instruction was begun in Lincoln February 22, and continued four days, under the personal supervision of R. W.: Hiram C. Rider, Grand Lecturer. A goodly number of the brethren were present,

and great interest was manifested throughout the entire session, and all seemed to agree that the time had been well and profitably spent.

In October last I received a circular letter asking for a contribution of \$100 from this Grand Jurisdiction for the benefit of the Masonic Hall Association of Washington City, with an endorsement from the Grand Master of the District of Columbia.

The matter was submitted to the subordinate lodges, with instructions to send any sums they saw proper to contribute to the Grand Secretary.

To this but three lodges responded, the total amount received being but nine dollars.

I therefore instructed the Grand Secretary to turn the several amounts into the Grand Lodge treasury to the credit of the lodges contributing.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In the matter of recommendations I would submit the following suggestions:

1. I would recommend that the Grand Lodge furnish all lodges, to be hereafter chartered, with the books and blanks necessary for proper lodge work, and that the present charter fee be increased to such a sum as may be necessary to include the additional expense.

It is desirable that each lodge shall transact its business properly and keep its records in durable form.

It is often the case that new lodges, from motives of economy, fail to provide themselves with the proper blanks and books, and the result is that their affairs are managed very loosely, and their records are nearly worthless.

A little labor, at the outset, with convenient books, avoids an incalculable amount of trouble and confusion after the lodge has been running two or three years.

If you shall make this compulsory, on the part of the new lodges, they will have frequent occasion to commend the wisdom of your action.

2. I would recommend the abolition of the present custodian system, which has been in use for a sufficient length of time to demonstrate its failure to accomplish the purposes for which it was inaugurated.

The Grand Lecturer should be the sole custodian of the work, and on him should be placed the undivided responsibility for the proper working of the ritual in the lodges throughout the jurisdiction.

While this change might necessitate the incurring of some additional expense, yet the advantages to be derived from thoroughness and uniformity of work would more than compensate the additional outlay.

Under the present system but few of the custodians ever qualify, and the number is still less that do anything after they are qualified, and yet the Grand Lecturer, relying on the assistance of the custodians in their respective districts, is not so apt to see the necessity for vigorous action on his part as if all depended on his own unaided efforts.

The result is that less is accomplished by the present complicated and unwieldy system than could be accomplished by the Grand Lecturer alone.

3. As the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of this Grand Lodge will occur on September 23, 1882, I would recommend that some action be taken at this session with reference to a celebration of said anniversary, and would suggest that such celebration should include a general reunion of all the Masonic bodies of the Jurisdiction at some point to be hereafter designated.

And now, in terminating this report of my ministrations of the high office which your partiality has confided to me, I am painfully conscious that, although my zeal for Masonry has suffered no diminution, and my interest in the institution can be exceeded by but few, yet the circumstances under which I assumed this trust have prevented that active, energetic administration of its powers which it had been my ambition to exhibit. Nevertheless, I have neglected no duty which pressed upon the office for performance; neither, on the other hand, have I eagerly searched for grievances to be removed or evils to be reformed.

I find the Craft in good working condition, and although my official acts have been few, and my official superintendence and visitation have been much less than I had purposed, I trust that the Fraternity has received no detriment and suffered no loss.

With a gratitude which words are inadequate to fully express for the kindness which you have hitherto shown me, I cheerfully relinquish these duties you have trusted to me, to resume the labor of Master Mason upon the floor of unofficial equality.

JAMES A. TULLEYS,
Grand Master.

The address was referred to Bros. : Davidson, 17, Persinger, 36, and Davis, 21.

Bro. : Hoyt, chairman of the committee on Credentials, submitted a report from that committee, which was adopted, subject to amendment during the communication. The following is the amended report:

To the M. W. : the Grand Lodge of Nebraska :

Your committee on Credentials reports that they find present the following Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers and Representatives of lodges, viz :

GRAND OFFICE-BEARERS.

M. W. : JAMES A. TULLEYS.....	Grand Master.
R. W. : JAMES R. CAIN.....	Deputy Grand Master.
R. W. : EDWIN F. WARREN.....	Grand Senior Warden..
R. W. : SAMUEL W. HAYES.....	Grand Junior Warden.
R. W. : CHRISTIAN HARTMAN.....	Grand Treasurer.
R. W. : WILLIAM R. BOWEN.....	Grand Secretary.
V. W. : GEORGE SCOTT.....	Grand Chaplain.

- W.: SAMUEL P. DAVIDSON.....Grand Orator.
- R.: W.: HIRAM C. RIDER.....Grand Lecturer.
- W.: FRANCIS E. WHITE.....Grand Senior Deacon.
- W.: JOHN J. WEMPLE.....Grand Junior Deacon.
- Bro.: JOHN MCCLELLAND.....Grand Tiler.

PAST GRAND OFFICE-BEARERS.

- M.: W.: DANIEL H. WHEELER.....Past Grand Master.
- M.: W.: ROBERT W. FURNAS.....Past Grand Master.
- M.: W.: HARRY P. DEUEL.....Past Grand Master.
- M.: W.: MARTIN DUNHAM.....Past Grand Master.
- M.: W.: ALFRED G. HASTINGS.....Past Grand Master.
- M.: W.: GEORGE H. THUMMEL.....Past Grand Master.
- M.: W.: GEORGE W. LININGER.....Past Grand Master.
- M.: W.: EDWARD K. VALENTINE.....Past Grand Master.
- M.: W.: ROLLAND H. OAKLEY.....Past Grand Master.
- R.: W.: HENRY BROWN.....Past Deputy Grand Master.
- R.: W.: LEE P. GILLETTE.....Past Deputy Grand Master.
- R.: W.: HIRAM C. RIDER.....Past Deputy Grand Master.

CUSTODIANS.

- Bro.: SAMUEL W. HAYES.....Second District.
- Bro.: NEWTON R. PERSINGER.....Third District.

REPRESENTATIVES.

LODGE.	NO.	MASTER.	SENIOR WARDEN.	JUNIOR WARDEN.
Nebraska.....	1	Frank E. Caldwell.....	.....	.....
Western Star.....	2	Charles F. Rice.....	Henry Brown.....	Edwin F. Warren.*
Capitol.....	3	John H. Butler.....	Louis H. Korty*.....	.....
Nemaha Valley.....	4	John J. Meyer.....	.....	.....
Omnid.....	5	.....	.....	.....
Plattsmouth.....	6	Albert D. Despain*.....	Francis E. White*.....	Albert D. Despain.
Falls City.....	9	Wilson M. Maddox.....	.....	.....
Solomon.....	10	James S. Riddler.....	.....	.....
Covert.....	11	Gustave Anderson.....	Charles K. Coutant.....	Eben K. Long.*
Nebraska City.....	12	James B. Northcutt.....	.....	.....
Orient.....	13	Tyler C. Hoyt.....	.....	.....
Peru.....	14	.....	.....	.....
Fremont.....	15	H. Baxter Nicodemus*.....	Arthur Gibson*.....	David M. Welty.
Tecumseh.....	17	Samuel P. Davidson*.....	Jacob S. Dew*.....	Samuel P. Davidson.*
Ashland.....	18	.....	.....	.....
Lincoln.....	19	Alfred L. Palmer.....	Lee P. Gillette.....	Charles H. Gould.*
Rock Bluff.....	20	Michael Archer.....	.....	.....
Washington.....	21	Nathan Carter.....	Jesse T. Davis.....	John C. H. Reed.*
Pawnee.....	23	Joseph L. Edwards.....	Allison H. Jackson*.....	John H. Cummins.
St. Johns.....	25	Enoch B. Carter*.....	Andrew J. De Witt*.....	Enoch B. Carter.*
Beatrice.....	26	William P. Fisher.....	William P. Fisher*.....	N. K. Griggs.*
Jordan.....	27	Carl T. Puleifer.....	George Scott*.....	Allen D. Beemer.
Hope.....	29	Philip Crother.....	.....	.....
Blue River.....	30	Pliny E. Dinsmore.....	Elisha Courtright*.....	J. H. Culyer.
Tekamah.....	31	James R. Sutherland*.....	James R. Sutherland*.....	William L. Peirce.
Platte Valley.....	32	Frank E. Bullard.....	.....	.....
Ashlar.....	33	Michael Murphy*.....	Michael Murphy*.....	Michael Murphy
Acaela.....	34	.....	.....	.....
Fairbury.....	35	George Cross.....	.....	.....
Lone Tree.....	36	Joseph B. White.....	Ithamar T. Benjamin.....	John L. Tidball.*
Crete.....	37	John L. Tidball.....	.....	.....
Oliver.....	38	William Losee.....	.....	.....
Papillon.....	39	George C. Potwin.....	.....	.....
Humboldt.....	40	Edgar S. Norton*.....	Edgar S. Norton*.....	Edgar S. Norton.
Northern Light.....	41	John A. Ehrhardt.....	.....	.....
Juniata.....	42	William D. Sewell*.....	William D. Sewell.....	Barnabas E. Swift.*
Hebron.....	43	John W. Hughes.....	Charles B. Coon*.....	John J. Maloney.*
Harvard.....	44	Ezra Brown*.....	George W. Howard.....	Ezra Brown.*
Palmyra.....	45	William S. White.....	.....	.....
Rob. Morris.....	46	Henry Gibbons*.....	Henry Gibbons*.....	B. W. Marsh.
Salem.....	47	Hezekiah B. Gist.....	.....	.....
Fairmount.....	48	Calvin B. Webber.....	.....	.....
Evening Star.....	49	Robert G. Brown.....	Robert G. Brown*.....	Albert K. Marsh.*
Hastings.....	50	Fred J. Benedict.....	.....	.....
Fidelity.....	51	.....	.....	.....
Hiram.....	52	John Hamuang.....	.....	.....
Charity.....	53	Jacob L. Miller.....	.....	.....
Lancaster.....	54	Charles H. Willard.....	Charles B. Palmer.....	Charles H. Willard.*
Mosaic.....	55	William H. Lowe.....	.....	.....
York.....	56	David T. Moore*.....	David T. Moore.....	David T. Moore.*
Mt. Moriah.....	57	.....	.....	.....
Lebanon.....	58	Charles A. Spelec.....	.....	.....
Wahoo.....	59	Manonh B. Reese.....	Joseph N. Davis.....	Henry Anderson.*
Melrose.....	60	David E. Bongardner.....	.....	.....
Thistle.....	61	Frank H. Young.....	Frank H. Young*.....	Anson S. Baldwin.*
Keystone.....	62	Daniel E. Price.....	.....	.....
Riverton.....	63	Clarence C. Chapin.....	.....	.....
Blue Valley.....	64	William H. Mann.....	Stephen J. Herman.....	William H. Mann.*
Osceola.....	65	Horace A. Scott.....	.....	Horace G. Thurman.*
Livingstone.....	66	.....	.....	.....
Edgar.....	67	Samuel J. Whitten.....	Milton J. Hull*.....	Ezra E. Howard.*
Aurora.....	68	F. J. Engle.....	.....	.....
Fortitude.....	69	Sumner Darnell.....	George Miller.....	Sumner Darnell.*
Sterling.....	70	Alfred Shipman.....	.....	.....
Trowel.....	71	H. Milo Cox*.....	H. Milo Cox*.....	H. Milo Cox.
Hooper.....	72	James F. Burns.....	.....	.....
Friend.....	73	Denocle C. Page.....	.....	.....
Alexandria.....	74	Charles F. McGrew*.....	Samuel J. Alexander*.....	Charles F. McGrew.
Frank Welch.....	75	Julius Neubauer.....	.....	.....
Joppa.....	76	William E. Hatch.....	.....	.....
Nelson.....	77	Robert Hollingsworth*.....	Robert Hollingsworth.....	Robert Hollingsworth.*
Alton.....	78	Manly B. Boardman.....	.....	George P. Wintersteen.
Geneva.....	79	Joseph M. Fisher.....	Joseph M. Fisher*.....	.....
Waco.....	80	John S. Bennett.....	John W. Strickler.....	William Keely.

* Proxy.

Your committee also reports the presence of Representatives near the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, from the following Grand Lodges:

Arkansas	SAMUEL W. HAYES.
Connecticut	ALFRED G. HASTINGS.
Florida	HIRAM C. RIDER.
Idaho	JAMES A. TULLEYS.
Illinois	GEORGE H. THUMMEL.
Indiana	HARRY P. DEUEL.
Iowa	ROBERT W. FURNAS.
Manitoba.....	EDWIN F. WARREN.
Michigan	DANIEL H. WHEELER.
New Jersey.....	JAMES R. CAIN.
North Carolina.....	ROBERT W. FURNAS.
Ohio	ROBERT W. FURNAS.
Oregon.....	HENRY BROWN.
South Carolina.....	FRANK E. BULLARD.
Texas	MARTIN DUNHAM.
Vermont.....	WILLIAM R. BOWEN.
Wyoming.....	ROLLAND H. OAKLEY.

The following report from the Grand Treasurer was referred to the committee on Accounts:

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

JUNE 21, 1881.

To the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, A. F. A. M.:

Herewith I submit my report of funds received and disbursed to date:

Dr.

To balance from last report	\$ 681 88
To amount received from Grand Secretary, June 21, 1880.....	1,342 58
" " " " June 22, 1880.....	2,065 00
" " " " June 22, 1880.....	279 50
" " " " June 17, 1881.....	2,924 19
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	\$7,293 15

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By paid warrants No. 144 to 166 inclusive	\$2,522 38
By paid pay-roll session of 1880.....	1,086 60
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To balance on hand	\$3,684 17
Charity fund as per last report.....	10 00

All of which is fraternally submitted.

C. HARTMAN, *Grand Treasurer.*

The Grand Secretary submitted his annual report, as follows, which was referred to the special committee on the Grand Master's address:

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

IN GRAND LODGE, June 21, 1881.

To the Grand Lodge:

In submitting his ninth annual report, your Secretary remarks that some six weeks in July and August last were absorbed in duties pertaining to an Order appended to Freemasonry, leaving little time for other duties; also, that the severe weather of the unusually long winter just passed materially interfered with the prompt and certain dispatch of the business of his office.

At the last annual communication the Grand Lodge ordered work done that involved the making of three considerable reports (of rejections, suspensions and expulsions) by each chartered lodge. The work was greater than could be performed by the Secretaries in one year, as in some cases it involved the writing up of the lodge *compendium* from the beginning. One of our best Secretaries aptly puts it when he says that he must have *some* time in which to attend to *his own* business. These reports have been received from nearly five-eighths of the Lodges, and the remainder will no doubt come in at an early day. Deeming it wasteful to put into type and plates an incomplete consolidation, I submitted the matter to the Grand Master, who confirmed my view. A full appreciation of the value of the Nebraska *compendiums* has been evinced by the best lodge secretaries in our jurisdiction when writing about these three reports.

In addition to these three reports, covering in some cases a period of twenty-five years, the Grand Lodge required from each lodge an "Annual Financial Report" for the year ending December 27, 1880, which, as in duty bound, your Secretary has persistently called for, and the result is herewith submitted — 47 out of 74 chartered lodges have reported.

The annual returns for the year ending April 30, 1881, reached this office as follows: By May 10, eighteen; by May 20, forty-three; by May 31, sixty; by June 10, sixty-eight; by June 20, seventy-two, leaving two returns not received. Of the seventy-four chartered lodges, forty-five sent in their annual dues and fees by June 20, thus enabling your Secretary to post the payments into the Grand Lodge ledger and submit the same to the committee on Accounts at the beginning of this session.

During the year your Secretary, as authorized, has had printed a supply of blank petitions for initiation and admission, receipts for dues, notices for dues, etc., for sale to the lodges at cost, the proceeds going into the Grand Lodge Treasury; also blank *accounts* — *current* and *statements of work* for gratuitous distribution, as aids to lodge secretaries; also, blank petitions for authority to form lodges under dispensation, and blank petitions for charters. These blanks will render the transaction of Masonic business more simple, accurate and uniform. The blanks are herewith submitted for criticism.

The edition of our 1878 proceedings is exhausted, the demand therefor being great in consequence of its containing the law of the jurisdiction (by-laws and rules and regulations) in twenty-three pages. The constitution of the Grand Lodge is contained in six pages of our 1877 proceedings. The forms for trials are contained in five pages of our 1877 proceedings.

To meet the demand for knowledge of our law, the Grand Lodge can print the entire proceedings of 1877 and 1878, or can print the thirty-four pages containing the constitution, by-laws, forms, and rules and regulations. In either case the cost will be that of paper, presswork and binding, as the stereotype plates are in existence. The Grand Lodge now has an opportunity of judging as to the wisdom of stereotyping its proceedings in accordance with my recommendation of June, 1874.

The edition of 1878 being exhausted, and that of 1870 nearly so, your Secretary has been unable to follow his custom of supplying each newly chartered lodge with a full set of our proceedings from organization. Each lodge is *entitled to a full set* of our proceedings that the law and customs of the jurisdiction may be known; and further, these proceedings become the nucleus of lodge libraries. If it should be hereafter practicable to furnish full sets to each new lodge, it is suggested that they be supplied in substantial binding. If furnished in pamphlet form they may be soon lost or destroyed.

The Charity Fund, which in 1873 the Grand Lodge declared should be set apart from other funds, should now amount to \$205.84, and it is recommended that if this conclusion is confirmed by the committee on Accounts, the Grand Treasurer be instructed to invest the amount, under the direction of the Grand Master, so it may gather interest.

It will be observed that considerable attention has been given this year to our "domestic affairs," to setting our lodges in order, and *aiding* them in that direction. A little further progress in this direction will put our jurisdiction in such a shape that it will compare favorably with any in America. Care has been taken to diminish labor, promote uniformity, and aid the lodge secretaries, several of whom have warmly expressed their appreciation of the action here reported. One excellent result already apparent is the reduction of the *postage account*, and in this connection attention is invited to the simple and accurate method followed to determine the total amount of postage expended each year.

If the Grand Lodge makes no *radical change* in its organization the annual dues for each Master Mason can, your Secretary thinks, be safely reduced from seventy-five to sixty cents. Each year increases the aggregate number of lodge members, and improved methods in this office diminish the annual expenditure per capita. The expenses of the Grand Lodge do not increase in the same proportion as the membership. If *no change* is made in our affairs, the annual dues can probably be reduced to fifty cents per capita. But this point should be considered by the committee on Ways and Means.

For the third time a form of bond for the Grand Treasurer and the trustees of the orphan educational fund is submitted for criticism and approval. Last year the committee thereon failed to report.

Since April, '79, the fraternity of Omaha has furnished, without charge, an office for the Grand Lodge. Your Secretary has included in his current statement of office expenses an item of thirty dollars, being the *estimated* cost of repainting and calsomining the room, deeming this but fair treat-

ment of the property. As the sum has not yet been expended, the Grand Lodge can quash the item.

The following documents were yesterday placed in possession of the committee on Charters and Dispensations, viz.:

Rising Lodge U. D.:—Its warrant, statement of work, records, proposed by-laws, petition for charter and seventeen demits.

St. Paul Lodge U. D.:—Its warrant, statement of work, records, proposed by-laws, petition for charter and five demits.

Corinthian Lodge U. D.:—Its warrant, statement of work, records, proposed by-laws, petition for charter and eight demits.

Fairfield Lodge U. D.:—Its warrant, statement of work, records, proposed by-laws, petition for charter and eleven demits.

Blue Springs Lodge U. D.:—Its warrant, statement of work, records, proposed by-laws, petition for charter and ten demits.

Doniphon Lodge U. D.:—Its warrant, statement of work, records, proposed by-laws, petition for charter and five demits.

Ionic Lodge U. D.:—Its warrant, statement of work, and petition for continuance under dispensation.

Herewith is also submitted a proposed amendment to the by-laws of York Lodge No. 56, changing the time of regular meetings.

Also the Grand Lodge ledger, containing the account of each lodge, the general accounts, and entries of all funds received up to the hour of opening the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally,

WM. R. BOWEN, *Grand Sec'y.*

A number of queries were now presented, and were referred to the committee on Jurisprudence; the queries will be found, with the report of the committee thereon, on page 131.

A petition from Blue Valley Lodge No. 64, for a new charter to replace the one destroyed by fire, was referred to the committee on Charters and Dispensations.

On motion of Bro. Bullard, 32, it was agreed that the annual oration be public on to-morrow evening, and that Masons be invited to bring their wives and families.

Bro. Scott, 27, of the special committee appointed at the last annual communication (see page 43 of '80) on Bro. White's proposed amendments to the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, submitted the following report:

To the Grand Lodge:

The special committee to which was referred the proposed amendments

of the by-laws of the Grand Lodge found on page 43 of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the year '80, begs leave to report as follows:

1. We recommend that there be no change made in Sec. I, par. 2.
2. We do not recommend any change in Sec. X.
3. We recommend that Sec. IX, par. 2, be amended as follows: after the word "Lodge" in the third line insert "*and officers of the Grand Lodge*" (page 83 of '78); in the fourth line strike out the word "ten" and insert "*six*"; and add at the close the words "*providing that no one receives mileage and per diem but in one capacity*" (page 83 of '78).

Fraternally submitted.

GEORGE SCOTT, } *Of the Special*
A. G. HASTINGS. } *Committee.*

Bro.: Bullard moved to defer consideration until to-morrow morning. On a request for a ruling, the Grand Master ruled that amendments to the by-laws proposed last year can be acted upon this year, and that amendments proposed this year lie over until next year.

The motion to defer consideration was lost, and Bro.: White asked to be excused from service on the committee.

On motion the report was divided for consideration; the first recommendation of the committee was adopted; the second recommendation of the committee was referred to the committee on Ways and Means. Past Grand Master Dunham moved to adopt the third recommendation of the committee; Past Grand Master Valentine raised the point of order that an amendment to the by-laws cannot be offered and adopted at the same annual communication unless by unanimous consent, which view was sustained by the Grand Master; and on motion of Past Grand Master Valentine, it was agreed that the Grand Lodge does not concur in Bro.: White's amendment, "*striking out all of par. 2, Section IX.*" Past Grand Master Dunham moved that the proposed reduction of mileage be referred to the committee on Ways and Means, with instructions to submit by ten o'clock to-morrow morning an amendment to the by-laws covering the matter, which motion prevailed.

Bro.: Davidson presented the following report from the special committee of which he was chairman, which report was adopted:

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge:

Your committee to which was referred for distribution the Grand Master's address and the Grand Secretary's report, fraternally recommend:

1. That so much of the Grand Master's address as pertains to the fraternal dead be referred to a special committee of three.
2. So much of the address as refers to new lodges, and lodges under dispensation, and so much of the Grand Secretary's report as pertains to lodges under dispensation, be referred to the committee on Charters and Dispensations.
3. That so much of the Grand Master's address as pertains to the controversy between the Grand Lodge of Missouri and the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, to special dispensations and to official decisions, be referred to the committee on Jurisprudence; also so much of the Grand Secretary's report as pertains to form of bond, etc.
4. That matters relating to contributions for benefit of Masonic Hall at Washington, furnishing lodges with books and blanks, reprinting the law and the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, reducing dues and fees, and cost of renovating Grand Secretary's office, be referred to the committee on Ways and Means.
5. That matters relating to annual reports and annual returns be referred to the special committee raised at the last communication of the Grand Lodge, consisting of Bros.: Warren, Bowen and Hartman, with recommendation that they so report at this session.
6. That all matters relating to the Charity Fund be referred to the committee on Charity.
7. That the proposed amendment to by-laws of York Lodge be referred to the committee on By-laws from Chartered Lodges.
8. That all matter relating to the abolition of the present custodian system be referred to the special committee now considering this subject,—Bros.: Valentine, Bullard and Furnas—with recommendation that they do report at this session.
9. That the matter of the twenty-fifth anniversary be referred to Bros.: Robert C. Jordan, Samuel W. Hayes and George Armstrong, recommending that they report at the next annual communication of this Grand Lodge.

S. P. DAVIDSON,	}	<i>Special Committee.</i>
N. R. PERSINGER,		
JESSE T. DAVIS.		

The Grand Lodge was at this time called to refreshment until eight o'clock this evening.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION.

TUESDAY, JUNE 21, 5881.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at the appointed hour, M. . W. . : James A. Tulleys, Grand Master, in the East.

The proposed new by-laws of Osceola Lodge, No. 65, were referred to the committee on By-laws from Chartered Lodges.

By request, Past Grand Master Lininger, who had just returned from a year's absence from the jurisdiction, told of his travels in foreign countries and the wages he had earned as a Master Mason. In concluding his story he presented the Grand Lodge and each Past Grand Master with an olive-wood gavel made at Jerusalem.

Bro. . N. K. Griggs, who had spent several years in Saxony, was called upon, and read his contribution to the report of the committee on Foreign Correspondence.

On motion of Past Grand Master Thummel the thanks of the Grand Lodge and the brethren present were voted Bros. . Lininger and Griggs for the instruction and entertainment furnished.

Bro. . Bullard, chairman of the committee on Ways and Means, submitted two reports, as follows:

To the M. . W. . the Grand Lodge :

Your committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the matter of pay-roll, having duly considered the subject recommend that paragraph 2, Section IX of the by-laws be amended as follows:

1. Insert before the words "one representative" the words "*the retiring Grand Officers.*"
2. In the fourth line strike out the word "ten" and insert "*six.*"

To the M. . W. . the Grand Lodge :

Your committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the matter of reducing the Grand Lodge dues, having carefully considered the subject recommend that Section X of the by-laws be amended as follows:

Strike out "seventy-five" and insert "*sixty.*"

The Grand Lodge was now called to refreshment until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 5881.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at nine o'clock this morning, M. . W. . James A. Tulleys, Grand Master, in the East.

The first report of the committee on Ways and Means submitted last evening, proposing to amend paragraph 2, Section IX of the by-laws, was considered. The two amendments were seconded by Bros. . Alfred G. Hastings, 19, Robert W. Furnas, 4, George Scott, 27, John H. Butler, 3, and H. Milo Cox, 71. On motion of Bro. . Griggs, 26, the report of the committee was divided for consideration. Unanimous consent being obtained for immediate action, paragraph 2, Section IX of the by-laws was amended by inserting before the words "one representative" the words "*the retiring Grand Officers.*" Unanimous consent being given, paragraph 2, Section IX of the by-laws was amended by striking out the word "ten" and inserting the word "*six.*"

The second report of the committee on Ways and Means, introduced at the close of last evening's session, was now taken up. Unanimous consent was given to immediate action. Bro. . Butler, 3, moved to amend by reducing the annual dues to fifty-five cents. On motion of P. . G. . M. . Lininger consideration was indefinitely postponed.

Past Grand Master Furnas, trustee of the Orphan Educational Fund, submitted the following report up to May 31, 1881. He stated that the report for year ending May 31, 1880, was handed to the Grand Secretary after the closing of the last annual communication.

ANNUAL REPORT, TRUSTEES ORPHAN SCHOOL FUND, TO
DATE, MAY 31, 1881.

Amount loan, and interest to date, May 31, 1880.....	\$ 1,287 50
Interest on same to date, May 31, 1881.....	103 00
Total to date, May 31, 1881	\$ 1,390 50
Amount loan, and interest to date, May 31, 1880.....	\$ 387 95
Interest on same to date, May 31, 1881	31 02
Total to date, May 31, 1881	\$ 418 97
Amount loan, and interest to date, May 31, 1880.....	\$ 5,902 56
Interest on this loan paid to date, Feb. 1, 1881, \$459.89, from Feb. 1, 1880.	
Interest from Feb. 1 to May 31, 1881.....	114 97
Total to May 31, 1881	\$ 6,017 53
Amount accumulated and paid interest, loaned March 1, 1881..	\$ 459 89
Interest on same to May 31, 1881.....	6 13
Total to May 31, 1881.....	\$ 466 02
Amount loaned and interest to date, May 31, 1880	\$ 1,926 00
Interest on same to date, May 31, 1881.....	164 08
Total to May 31, 1881	\$ 2,090 08
Amount loan, and interest to date, May 31, 1880.....	\$ 1,113 85
Interest on same to date, May 31, 1881	89 10
Total to May 31, 1881.....	\$ 1,202 95

RECAPITULATION.

Loan No. 1	\$ 1,390 50
Loan No. 2	418 97
Loan No. 3	6,017 53
Loan No. 4	466 02
Loan No. 5	2,090 08
Loan No. 6	1,202 95
Total fund.....	\$ 11,586 05

The investments remain same as made and shown last year, with the addition shown in the foregoing tabulation.

Fraternally submitted.

ROBERT W. FURNAS,

Chairman Board.

The report being referred to the committee on Accounts, that committee made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Grand Lodge:

We your committee on Accounts, to whom was referred the report of Bro.: Robert W. Furnas as chairman of Board of Trustees of Orphan Educational Fund of this Grand Lodge, have carefully examined said report and find it correct.

The two following reports from the committee on Ways and Means were concurred in :

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the matter of contributions to the Masonic Fraternity of Washington, D. C., recommend that the action of the M.: W.: Grand Master be approved.

To the M.: W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the matter of repainting and calcimining the Grand Secretary's office, recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized to have such work performed.

Bro.: Burns, 72, submitted reports from the committee recommending that a duplicate charter be issued, without fee, to Blue Valley Lodge, No. 64, and that the following lodges be chartered, namely :

- Composite Lodge, No. 81 (Rising Lodge, U.: D.:)
- Saint Paul Lodge, No. 82 (Saint Paul Lodge, U.: D.:)
- Corinthian Lodge, No. 83 (Corinthian Lodge, U.: D.:)
- Fairfield Lodge, No. 84 (Fairfield Lodge, U.: D.:)
- Tyre Lodge, No. 85 (Blue Springs Lodge, U.: D.:)
- Doniphan Lodge, No. 86 (Doniphan Lodge, U.: D.:)

and that Ionic Lodge be continued under dispensation.

The reports of the committee were adopted, as were also its recommendations relative to the proposed by-laws of these new lodges, with the following exception: the committee recommended that the proposed by-laws of Fairfield Lodge be amended by erasing so much as provides for an affiliation fee. P.: G.: M.: Wheeler moved that the recommendation of the committee in this particular be not concurred in; which motion prevailed. In this connection G.: S.: W.: Warren offered the following resolution, the consideration of which was indefinitely postponed on motion of Bro.: Butler, 3.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Grand Lodge that it is contrary to the spirit of Freemasonry to charge Master Masons desiring affiliation any fee therefor; and we recommend to all lodges whose by-laws provide for such fee that they repeal the same.

Bro. . Jefferson H. Foxworthy, 19, now entered the Grand Lodge bearing the following invitation, which was accepted:

To the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge A. F. . and A. M. . of Nebraska.

The members of Electa Chapter, No. 8, Order of the Eastern Star, of Lincoln, Nebraska (who in this work have been ably assisted by the members of Lincoln Lodges, Nos. 19 and 54, and their wives), have, in honor of this Most Worshipful Body, prepared refreshments, which will be served in the banquet room adjoining this hall at 9:30 o'clock this evening.

The officers and members (and their wives) of the M. W. . Grand Lodge A. M. . and A. M. . of Nebraska are cordially invited to attend.

By order of Ladies of Eastern Star Chapter, No. 8,
assisted by Brethren of Lodges 19 and 54 and their wives.

On motion of P. . G. . M. . Dunham it was

Resolved, That the committee on Pay Roll be instructed to report mileage and per diem for the retiring officers of the Grand Lodge, and that a sufficient sum be appropriated for such purpose.

On motion of P. . G. . M. . Valentine and Bro. . Leese, 38, rules twenty-three (23) and twenty-nine (29) (pages 99 and 100, proceedings of '78) were rescinded.

The following report from the committee on Ways and Means, submitted by its chairman, Bro. . Bullard, 32, was adopted:

To the M. W. . the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Address relating to furnishing lodges with necessary blanks, and new lodges with all necessary supplies, respectfully recommend,

First, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to procure the several blank forms required and furnish them to the lodges at cost.

Second, That each new lodge be hereafter furnished by the Grand Secretary with the following supplies, namely: One (1) record book, one (1) ledger, fifty (50) petitions for the degrees, twenty-five (25) petitions for affiliations, twenty-five (25) demits, and one hundred (100) receipts for dues, and that there be no increase to the present charge for charter or dispensation.

The Grand Lodge was now called to refreshment until half-past one o'clock this afternoon.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 5881.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at the appointed hour, Grand Master Tulleys presiding.

On motion of Bro. : Davis, 21, the following was adopted:

WHEREAS, In the year 1880, Washington Lodge, No. 21, A. F. : and A. : M. : erected, by order of said lodge, a building for lodge purposes in Blair, Nebraska, the place where said lodge is located; and whereas in the expenditure of money necessary to the completion of said building, said lodge became financially embarrassed, and in order to meet the demands against said lodge, on the 14th day of June, 1881, the same being at a regular meeting of said lodge, it was ordered by said lodge, a majority of the members present meeting therefor, that an assessment of \$2.50 be made on each member of said lodge, for lodge purposes, to meet the demands of said lodge, and that the same be collected as other dues due said lodge. Therefore be it

Resolved, That said assessment so made by said lodge be, and the same is hereby, approved by this Grand Lodge.

Bro. : Long, 11, chairman of the committee on Returns, presented the following report which was adopted.

To the M. W. : the Grand Lodge of Nebraska :

The committee on Returns of Lodges beg leave to submit the following report :

Your committee has been engaged for a time, equal to eight days for one man, previous to the meeting of the Grand Lodge, in endeavoring to correct the errors, and present as perfect a report as possible under the circumstances. But owing to the facts that but 26 per cent of the reports were received at the time required by order of the Grand Lodge, and that but 33 per cent of the reports were found correct, they have been obliged to submit the report in a more imperfect condition than they would have done, had the secretaries of lodges performed their duty in properly making their reports and forwarding them to the Grand Secretary on or before May 10.

The reports of the following lodges were received by the Grand Secretary on or before May 10, 5881.

No. 3, 4, 9, 11, 30, 34, 36, 38, 40, 41, 47, 50, 53, 56, 59, 62, 63, 64, 67,—19 lodges.

We find the following reports correct:

No. 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 25, 30, 40, 45, 47, 50, 51, 52, 53, 55, 60, 61, 64, 67, 70, 72, 74, 76,—24 lodges.

From the statistical statement accompanying this report we present a summary of the work of the year ending April 30, 1881.

No. Initiated	266	
Passed	230	
Raised	—	208
Admitted.....		223
Reinstated.....		19
Gain by other causes.....		4
No. on rolls, May 1, 5880.....		3,454
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		3,908
No. Demitted.....	139	
Deaths	23	
Suspended	83	
Expelled	2	
Loss by other causes.....	35	
	—	282
No. Master Masons.....	3,626	
Amount due Grand Lodge as dues.....	\$2,532	75
Fees	1,385	00
Debits less credits on previous accounts	395	25
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		\$4,313 00
No. of chartered lodges.....	74	
No. of rejections, } Candidates	82	
} Master Masons	7	

We here present a notation of errors in the various reports as noted by your committee.

No. 1. Omits S. P. Martin and H. A. Robertson from rolls of apprentices. Omits R. J. Moscrip, H. Miller, and J. B. Slouther from rolls of Master Masons. Reports 32 Master Masons, should be 34.

No. 2. Omits S. S. Morehouse, W. Fulton, J. Flynn, from apprentice rolls. Reports 8 Master Masons suspended — names omitted.

No. 3. Reports 47 Master Masons suspended — names omitted.

No. 6. Two names omitted from list of Master Masons.

No. 14. Reports W. A. Rhoden as Master Mason without having previously reported his admission.

No. 15. D. Johnson, G. Porter, and H. J. Robinson omitted from the rolls of Master Masons.

No. 17. Omits E. R. Wright and one unknown from rolls of Master Mason. Omits G. W. Richards, A. R. B. Loomis, C. S. Phillips, J. B. Griffin, J. J. Smith, A. W. Conlee, O. J. Mathews, from list of suspended Master Masons.

No. 19. Names of 9 Apprentices omitted from rolls. Names of 2 Fellow-

crafts omitted from rolls. Names of 19 suspended Master Masons Inserts. I. L. Lyman, and omits Jesse Johns, F. M. Hall, M. L. Kezertee from list of Master Masons. Report 139 in good standing,— should be 137.

No. 20. Two names omitted from the list of Master Masons.

No. 21. Reports J. C. Bowen passed and raised without initiation. Omits the names of J. C. Bowen, J. Paraday, H. C. Miner, W. L. Handy, S. A. Goodwin, from list of Master Masons. Reports Jos. Parady and H. C. Miner as rejected and admitted on same date. Report 72 Master Masons,— should be 74.

No. 23. Omits the name of O. A. Cooper from Apprentices. Omits the name of A. H. Jackson, D. Butler, and C. H. Norris from list of Master Masons. Omits the names of J. Pearson and four others suspended Master Masons. Reports 39 Master Masons,— should be 37.

No. 26. Omits the names of M. B. Stone, P. Close, C. Barber, O. P. McKinley, J. M. Roderick, A. Towle, B. P. Zewer from the list of Master Masons.

No. 27. One name omitted from Apprentice list. E. Moore, C. Rosenthal, J. Bockenhour, and Jas. Sipp omitted from rolls of Master Masons. B. W. Everett reported on suspended list, who was demitted in 5876. Reports 28 Master Masons,— should be 30.

No. 29. Two names unknown omitted from Apprentice list. R. Cook, B. F. Goff, and W. S. Hall omitted from list of Master Masons. John Chapman, L. Bowman, W. Goolsby omitted from roll of suspended Master Masons. Reports 32 Master Masons,— should be 36.

No. 31. Names of G. L. Pierce, Z. B. Wilder, J. F. Mason, omitted from rolls of Master Masons. Reports 52 Master Masons,— should be 53.

No. 32. Omits from Apprentice rolls the names of G. H. Plumer, W. A. Reid, J. Weir.

No. 33. A. J. Galloway left off the rolls of Apprentices.

No. 34. Still carries the names of S. Curry, J. A. Frazer, J. B. Lord, G. Sprecher, and W. G. Sutherland on list of suspended members, though they were restored to good standing by order of the M.W., the Grand Lodge at session of 5876. Reports 42 Master Masons,— should be 47.

No. 35. Report 36 Master Masons,— should be 34.

No. 36. R. Veno left off list of Apprentices. One name unknown left off Fellowcraft rolls. The names of J. A. Miller, P. N. Sutton, A. J. Boule, J. M. Dressler, W. J. Copeland, J. H. Doney, O. L. Barton, M. Hutchins, W. H. Morris, and T. G. Bartlett omitted from rolls of Master Masons. Reports 63 Master Masons,— should be 61.

No. 37. Omits S. N. Smith, D. L. Feeser, and L. Morris from list of Master Masons.

No. 38. Omits J. H. Stuart, R. Sampson, L. D. Freeman, and P. Unit from list of Master Masons.

No. 39. Drops the names of J. F. Wharton and J. Geddes from the rolls of Apprentices for the reason that they have left the country. Your committee are of the opinion that they cannot be got rid of in this manner and therefore restore these names to the list.

No. 41. S. B. York reported as suspended should be on list of Master Masons in good standing. Reports 17 Master Masons,— should be 18.

No. 43. Reports 46 Master Masons,— should be 47.

No. 46. D. Allen, J. E. Morris, and J. B. Flint reported as Master Masons without being reported as raised. Omitted names of D. A. Dorsey, C. P. Edwards, S. W. Worthington, and Z. Taylor from rolls of Master Masons.

No. 48. W. H. Blair, B. F. Parlman, and one unknown omitted from list of Master Masons. Reports 31 Master Masons,— should be 32.

No. 49. Three names unknown omitted from Fellowcraft list.

No. 54. W. V. Stiles, J. A. Watson, A. P. Hellenbeck omitted from rolls of Apprentices.

No. 56. The name of F. W. Leidke dropped from the rolls of Master Masons. Reports 34 Master Masons,— should be 37.

No. 58. H. L. McGinity and Wm. Hunneman dropped from the rolls of Master Masons. Adam McPherson omitted from the list of suspended Master Masons.

No. 61. The names of R. S. Hogan, C. C. Kuebler, and T. G. Wimsey omitted from rolls of suspended Master Masons.

No. 62. Three names unknown omitted from Apprentice rolls. Benj. Wilson is reported as Master Mason without being passed.

No. 63. G. W. Hagar and J. D. Fulton dropped from Apprentice rolls.

No. 66. H. H. Spellman dropped from Apprentice rolls. One name unknown dropped from Fellowcraft rolls. J. W. Schmidt dropped from rolls of Master Masons.

No. 68. John Morrow dropped from rolls of Master Masons.

No. 73. Reports J. W. Dickie as Master Mason, and omits his name from list of Fellowcrafts, where it belongs according to the record. Reports James D. Thompson and James Thompson both as Master Masons, while the record shows but one person of the name of James Thompson.

No. 77. Omits D. A. Gibson from roll of passing Fellowcraft, and omit one name unknown from list of Fellowcraft.

No. 78. Omits one name unknown from list of Fellowcraft.

No. 79. Omits one name unknown on rolls of Fellowcraft.

No. 80. Reports John C. Dewey as a Charter Member, but as his demit has not been received by the Grand Secretary his name has been stricken from the rolls of Master Masons.

Northern Light	41	4		4	1		1	3	2	1	3	3		3		6	4	10	1		1	9	19	3	1	1		24	2		4		6	18	2	25		14	25			12	00					
Juniata	42	10		10			10	2	2	1	2	1		1		1	1	1				1	44	1	2			47			2		6	18			33	00			35	00						
Hebron	43	5	1	6	2		2	4	1	2	3	3		3		3		3				3	49	3	3	1		53	6				6	47			36	75	5	00	41	75						
Harvard	44	2	6	8	6		6	2	2	6	8	8		8								36	8	3			47	3	1		4	43			27	00	30	00			57	00						
Palmyra	45	1					1	2		1													22					22	1			1	21			16	50			16	50							
Rob. Morris	46	9	8	17	4		4	13	3	1	1	7	2									40	2	3	3		43	3	1		4	44			30	00			40	00								
Salem	47	1		1				1	1		1											33					33	1			2	31			24	75			24	75								
Fairmont	48	10					10	1	1		1							1				17	33				34	2			2	32			24	75			24	75								
Evening Star	49	2	5	7	6		6	1	4	6	10	5	5		5	5						50	5	1			56	1			2	54			37	50	25	00			62	50						
Hastings	50	7	4	11	3		3	8	2	3	5	5	5		5	5					1	1	1			1	74	2	2		1	5	69			51	00	20	00			71	00					
Fidelity	51	11	3	14	5		5	9	3	5	8	4		4		4						3	3	1		1	2	53	4	2	1	9	51			39	75	15	00			54	75					
Hiram	52	1	2	3	9		2	1	2	2	2	2		2		2						27	2	1			30				30	30			20	25	10	00			30	25						
Charity	53	4	5	7	3		3	4	4	3	4	4		4		4						5	4				66	2	1	3		6	60			44	25	15	00			59	25					
LANCASTER	54	4	5	9	1		1	5			4	4		4		4						63	4				74	3			3	71			75	47	25	25	00			73	00					
Mosaic	55	2	1	3	1		1	2		2	1	1		1		1						3	1	1			34				1	33			34	00	24	00	5	00	29	00						
York	56	10	2	12	3		3	9	1	3	4	4		4		4						41	4	1			46	9			9	37			30	75	10	00			74	75						
MT. MORIAH	57	1	3	1	2		2	2	2	1	3	3		3		3						31	3	3			37	1			1	36			23	25	15	00			38	25						
Lebanon	58	6	1	7			7	7	4		1	3		1		1						44	3	1			48	3			5	43			33	00	5	00			38	00						
Wahoo	59	2	5	7	4		4	3	3	4	7	6		6		6						32	1	1			32	1	1		2	50			33	75	25	00			58	75						
Melrose	60	6	2	8	1		1	7	3	1	3			3		3						33	3	3			36	2	1	1	3	33	5	00			24	75	10	00	29	75						
Thistle	61	1	2	3			3	3		3	3			3		3						31	4	4			32	1	1	1		3	29			24	00	10	00			34	00					
Keystone	62	5	5	10	5		5	5	5	5	1	6	5		5	1						24	5	2			31	3			3	28			18	00	25	00			43	00						
Riverton	63	5	7	12	5		5	7	1	5	6	2		2	4							20	2	1			22	1	4		5	27			21	75	35	00			56	75						
Blue Valley	64	8	8	8	4		4	7			4			4		4						26	6	3			29	1			1	28			19	50	40	00			59	50						
Osceola	65	2	5	7	1		1	3	5	4	9	5		5	4							24	6	2			31					31			18	00	25	00			43	00						
Livingstone	66	4	1	1			1	1		3	2			2		2						13	2	5			15	3	1		4	13			16	00	6	50			11	25						
Edgar	67	4	1	8	3		3	5	2	2	2			2		2						42	2				49	3	1		4	45			31	50	20	00			51	50						
Aurora	68	2	3	5	2		2	3	3	2	5	3		3	2							25	3	1			29				29			62	75	18	75	15	00			86	50					
Fortitude	69	1	1	1			1	1		1	1			1		1						23	1	1			29				29						18	75	15	00			86	50				
Sterling	70	2	6	8	3		3	5	1	3	4	3		3	1	1	1					1	25	3	1		30	1			1	29			18	75	30	00			48	75						
Trowel	71	3	1	3	7		2	5		2	2	1		1		1						19	1	3			23					23			22	75	14	25			42	00						
Hooper	72	4	3	7	4		4	3		4	3			3	1							18	3	1			22				22	9	75			13	50	15	00			18	75					
Friend	73	1	1	1			1	1		1	1			1		1						30	6	2			37	1			1	36			22	50			35	00			57	50				
Alexandria	74	1	1	1	1		1	1		1	1			1		1						25	1	2			28				28			15	00	18	75	5	00			38	75					
Frank Welsh	75	3	3	6	4		4	2	3	4	7	1		4	3							27	4	4			35	1			1	34			3	00	20	25	15	00			38	25				
Joppa	76	4	4	8	5		1	6	2	5	5	3		3	2							18	3				26				26			13	00			13	00			33	50					
Nelson	77	4	1	5	2		2	3	1	2	3	2		2	1							1	17				18				18			35	00			5	00			40	00					
Albion	78	4	1	5	1		1	4	2	2	3	5		1	3								18				18					18	9	75			16	00			(4	75)						
Geneva	79	4	1	5	3		3	2	3	2	3	5		1	4								15				15				15			50	00			15	00			65	00					
Waco	80	2	12	14	8		8	6		6	8			8									8	15			23				23			35	00			60	00			95	00					
Rising	U D			6	6		6	6		6	6	5		5	1							5	5				5	5			5	5					30	00			30	00						
St. Paul	U D			8	8		7	7		7	7	6		6	1							6	6				6	6			6	6					20	00			20	00						
Corinthian	U D			4	2		6	6		6	6	5		5	1							5	5				5	5			5	5					40	00			40	00						
Fairfield	U D			10	10		10	10		10	10	7		7	3							7	7				7	7			7	7					50	00			50	00						
Blue Springs	U D			6	6		6	6		6	6	7		7	7							7	7				7	7			7	7					45	00			45	00						
Doniphan	U D			6	6		5	5		5	5	3		3	2							3	3				3	3			3	3					30	00			30	00						
Ionic	U D			1	1		1	1		1	1			1																											5	00			5	00		
Total		405	277	7	689	241	2	2	245	444	137	241	7	385	216	1	217	168	345	83	428	18	3	21	407	3454	216	223	19	4	3916	136	23	83	2	35	279	3637	40	00	435	25	2532	75	1385	00	4313	00

The Grand Lodge then proceeded to choose its officers for the ensuing year, and on motion of P. .G. .M. . Dunham it was resolved that all elective officers be chosen by ballot; Bros. . Robert G. Brown, 49, Tyler C. Hoyt, 13, and Allison H. Jackson, 23, were appointed tellers, and choice was made of

BRO. JAMES R. CAIN, 9	Grand Master.
BRO. EDWIN F. WARREN, 2	Deputy Grand Master.
BRO. SAMUEL W. HAYES, 55	Grand Senior Warden.
BRO. JOHN J. WEMPLE, 50	Grand Junior Warden.
BRO. CHRISTIAN HARTMAN, 11	Grand Treasurer.
BRO. WILLIAM R. BOWEN, 3	Grand Secretary.

P. .G. .M. . Valentine, chairman of the special committee on work appointed at the last annual communication, submitted the following report which was adopted. The proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws of the Grand Lodge were seconded by Bros. . Edward K. Valentine, Frank E. Bullard, Robert W. Furnas, Edwin F. Warren, and Martin Dunham, and laid over for future action under existing law.

To the M. .W. . the Grand Lodge of Nebraska :

Your committee to whom was referred the suggested reorganization of the work (see proceedings session '80, page 50), and that portion of the M. .W. . Grand Master's address, referring to the custodian system, having considered the subject conclude that the custodian system of work, as now in force, does not meet the necessities of the Craft, and should be changed

We therefore submit the following amendments to the constitution and by-laws:

Amend Art. II, of constitution, by striking out the words "Grand Lecturer" and insert the words "Grand Custodian."

Amend Art. V, of constitution, strike out the word "Lecturer" and insert Custodian."

Strike out the words "The Custodians" in next to last line.

Amend Sec. 2, Art. XII, of constitution, by striking out the words "Custodian of the district in which the lodge is located" and insert in lieu thereof the words "Grand Custodian."

Amend paragraph 2, Sec. VII, of the by-laws, in the first line thereof; strike out the word "Lecturer" and insert "Custodian."

In lines 8 and 9 strike out words "or the Custodians appointed for that purpose."

Strike out *all* of paragraph 3, Sec. VII of the by-laws.

In paragraph 4, Sec. VII, line 3 of by-laws, strike all after word "services" and insert "such sum as may be determined by the Grand Lodge from time to time." •

Strike out *all* of Sec. VIII of by-laws.

R. . W. . Bro. . Warren offered the following amendment to the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, which was seconded by Bros. . Robert W. Furnas, Edward K. Valentine, Gustave Anderson, George W. Lininger, and George H. Thummel, and laid over until the next annual communication.

At the end of section XIII, of the by-laws of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, add the following words: "But no subordinate lodge shall charge any fee for affiliation to a Master Mason."

Bro. . Milton J. Hull proposed the following amendment to the by-laws of the Grand Lodge, which was seconded by Bros. . Whitten, 67, Wemple, 50, Brown, 44, Brown, 49, Cross, 35, McGrew, 74, and Persinger, 36.

Section —. No Mason, member of a lodge under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, shall be demitted, except for the purpose of joining another lodge, or to assist in forming a new lodge, agreeable to the ancient landmarks and regulations.

Under section XI of the Grand Lodge by-laws, the Grand Secretary reported that Ashland Lodge No. 18 was not represented at the twenty-third annual communication, nor at this communication, of the Grand Lodge, and had paid no dues or fees to the Grand Lodge for the last two fiscal years. P. . G. . M. . Oakley made a statement relative to the condition of the lodge, and on motion of Bro. . Bullard, 32, it was resolved that the Grand Master be requested to arrest the charter of Ashland Lodge.

P. . G. . M. . Oakley submitted the following unanimous report from the committee on Jurisprudence, which the Grand Lodge adopted by section and as a whole:

To the M. . W. . the Grand Lodge of Nebraska :

Your committee on Jurisprudence begs leave to report that they have

had under consideration the various matters referred to them, and recommend as follows:

That the decisions of the Grand Master be affirmed by this Grand Lodge. So far as special dispensations are concerned, the Grand Master has, in opinion of your committee, surrounded them with all the safeguards.

In the matters of queries Nos. 3 and 4, page 45, proceedings of '80, to wit, 3. Can a lodge revoke its own demission? and if so, what majority vote does it require? and where is the authority for such action in the rules and regulations governing subordinate lodges? Answer. Decision No. 3, page 15 proceedings of '76, answers this question. 4. Can a lodge grant a new trial? Answer. Yes.

In regard to the severance of Masonic intercourse between the Grand Lodges of Missouri and New Mexico, we suggest its reference to the committee on Foreign Correspondence.

With reference to the matter of signing the lodge by-laws, we recommend that rule 24 be amended by striking out all of said rule after the word "degree" in the third line.

In the matter of form of official bond, your committee are of opinion that the form submitted by the R. W. Grand Secretary is good and sufficient.

We submit replies to the numerous queries submitted to this Grand Lodge, and referred to your committee:

1. Bro.: Jesse T. Davis, 21. Has the Master of a lodge, or has the Senior Warden, the right to appoint a Junior Deacon *pro tem.*, in the absence of the regular Junior Deacon? Answer. It is one of the prerogatives of the Master to fill *pro tem.* vacancies caused by the absence of officers.

2. Bro.: James B. Bruner, 25 (presented for him). Would the Master have the Masonic right, should an Entered Apprentice Mason from some other lodge in this grand jurisdiction make application to visit a lodge not his own, there being no one present to vouch for him, to appoint a committee to examine this Entered Apprentice and admit him as a visitor on such examination? Answer. Yes.

3. Bro.: D. . . . T. Moore, 56. York Lodge No. 56, begs leave to say that their present Master, W. Bro.: Lee Love, having resigned his office as Master of York Lodge No. 56, and asked a demit for the purpose of joining a lodge in Howard county, the lodge at its last regular meeting received the resignation of the Master, and granted Bro.: Love his demit. The lodge therefore, being without a Master, fraternally asks you for a dispensation to elect a new Master. Answer. The whole action is unmasonic, illegal and void. Bro.: Lee Love is still a member and Master of York Lodge No. 56. This question is fully settled on page 15 proceedings of '76, decision No. 2.

4. Bro.: Bullard, 32. In 1876 Mr. A. B., residing at Sidney, Nebraska, petitioned Platte Valley Lodge, No. 32, at North Platte, Nebraska, and was rejected; in 1877 a lodge was organized at Sidney; in 1881, while still

residing at Sidney, he petitions Platte Valley Lodge; can said Platte Valley Lodge receive and act upon this petition? Answer. Not without consent of Frank Welch Lodge No. 75, located at Sidney.

5. Bro.: William H. Mann, 64. If seven or eight Master Masons form a quorum, is it necessary that that number be *members of the lodge* to do the balloting and other business of the lodge at a regular meeting? Answer. Yes; see page 28 proceedings of '78, decision No. 13.

6. Bro.: John A. Ehrhardt, 41. In August, 1873, a lodge at Dubuque, Iowa, requested Northern Light Lodge, No. 41, to confer the Fellowcraft and Master Mason's degrees on A. B., an apprentice of said Dubuque Lodge; the Apprentice did not present himself for the degrees until the spring of 1881; said A. B. is now living within the jurisdiction of another lodge in Nebraska: can and should Northern Light Lodge, No. 41, confer the degrees without a new consent from said Dubuque Lodge, and permission from the lodge within whose jurisdiction said A. B. is now living? Answer. So much time having transpired, the degrees should not be conferred without new request; permission from the lodge near which A. B. now resides is unnecessary.

7. Bro.: Benjamin F. Rawalt. How is it that if three Master Masons constituted a lodge in ancient times, it requires eight in modern times? Answer. The constitution of this Grand Lodge so provides—see sec. 2, art. xii, resolution No. 1, also report of committee on Jurisprudence, page 28 proceedings of '78, decision 13.

8. Bro.: William R. Bowen, 3. Question and answer excluded from the record.

9. Bro.: William Leese, 38. A. B. residing within the jurisdiction of Lincoln Lodge, moves with his family to Omaha for the purpose of obtaining work and intending to return to Lincoln with his family in six months; while working in Omaha he petitions a Lincoln Lodge for initiation; which Lodge has jurisdiction, Lincoln or Omaha? Answer. The Lodges at Lincoln.

10. Bro.: F. . . . J Engle, 68. Question and answer excluded from the record.

11. Bro.: Alfred L. Palmer, 19. A brother received a demit from a Lodge in Iowa some six years ago; being unsettled in regard to his residence he did not present his demit for affiliation until recently; but in the meantime the Lodge from which he demitted had surrendered its charter; can a Lodge lawfully receive the brother on such demit? Answer. Yes; the validity of the demit is not affected by the surrender of charter of the Lodge granting it.

12. 54. A brother of a Lodge, having removed from this jurisdiction, sends a written request for a demit on payment of all dues; can a brother defeat the request for a demit by making charges of unmasonic conduct against the applicant? Answer. He can; no brother should be granted a demit when grounds for charges exist even in the mind of a single brother.

13. Bro.: Henry Gibbons, 46. Can an Apprentice or Fellowcraft be tried and punished for cause? Answer. Yes!

14. Bro.: Joseph L. Edwards, 23. A. B. resides within the jurisdiction of Lodge No. 1, and received Apprentice and Fellowcraft degrees therein; afterward permission is given Lodge No. 10 to confer on him the Master Mason's degree and A. B. becomes a member of Lodge No. 10, still residing within the jurisdiction of Lodge No. 1; now in case of unmasonic conduct by A. B. which Lodge should exercise jurisdiction—in which Lodge should the charge be preferred? Answer. In either Lodge.

15. Bro.: Joseph B. White, 36. Has the Master of a Lodge the power to refuse admission to a non-affiliated Master Mason whose petition for affiliation has been rejected, members of the Lodge objecting to sit in Lodge with him? Answer. Yes; it is his duty to do so.

16. Bro.: Newton R. Persinger, 36. Can a Fellowcraft Mason be blackballed from receiving the Master Mason's degree for any other cause than improficiency? Answer. Page 55, proceedings of '76, answers this query.

17. Bro.: Martin Ennis, —. Can a member of a Lodge petition for membership in another Lodge before obtaining a demit? or has a Lodge the right to consider a petition for membership unless the petition is accompanied with a demit? Answer. No.

18. Bro.: Manoah B. Reese, 59. A. B. petitions a Lodge for initiation; he is known to be an unfit person and unworthy to become a Mason and is rejected; a member of the Lodge becomes offended at the action of the Lodge and persistently blackballs all applications for membership; has the Lodge any remedy? if so, what? Answer. Rule No. 11 of our Rules and Regulations provides the remedy and is applicable to case cited.

Bro.: White, chairman, submitted the following pay-roll prepared by his committee, which was adopted, and the Grand Secretary instructed to draw an order for the total sum in favor of the Grand Treasurer:

NAME OF LODGE.	NO.	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE.	MILES.	DAYS.	AMOUNT.
Nebraska	1	F. E. Caldwell	60	2	\$10 00
Western Star	2	C. F. Rice	57	2	9 70
Capitol	3	J. H. Butler	68	2	10 80
Neimaha Valley	4	J. J. Mercer	79	2	11 90
	5				
Plattsmouth	6	Albert D. De Spain	55	2	9 50
	7				
	8				
Falls City	9	W. M. Maddox	92	2	13 20
Solomon	10	J. S. Riddler	83	2	12 30
Covert	11	Gustave Anderson	68	2	10 80
Nebraska City	12	J. B. Northcutt	57	2	9 70
Orient	13	T. C. Hoyt	102	2	14 20
	14				
Fremont	15	H. B. Nicodemus	70	2	11 00
	16				
Teenmseh	17	S. P. Davidson	49	2	8 90
	18				
Lincoln	19	A. L. Palmer		2	4 00
Rock Bluffs	20	M. Archer	63	2	10 30
Washington	21	Nathan Carter	98	2	13 80

NAME OF LODGE.	NO.	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE.	MILES.	DAYS.	AMOUNT.
Pawnee.....	22				
.....	23	J. L. Edwards.....	70	2	11 00
.....	24				
St. Johns.....	25	E. B. Carter.....	68	2	10 80
Beatrice.....	26	W. P. Fisher.....	50	2	9 00
Jordan.....	27	Carl Pulsifer.....	105	2	14 50
.....	28				
Hope.....	29	Philip Crother.....	84	2	12 40
Blue River.....	30	P. E. Dinsmore.....	20	2	8 00
Tekamah.....	31	J. R. Sutherland.....	115	2	15 50
Platte Valley.....	32	F. E. Bullard.....	232	2	27 20
Ashlar.....	33	M. Murphy.....	122	2	16 20
.....	34				
Fairbury.....	35	George Cross.....	144	2	18 40
Lone Tree.....	36	J. D. White.....	93	2	13 20
Crete.....	37	J. L. Tidball.....	20	2	6 00
Oliver.....	38	Wm. Leese.....	25	2	6 50
Papillion.....	39	G. C. Potwin.....	78	2	11 80
Humbolt.....	40	E. S. Norton.....	72	2	11 20
Northern Light.....	41	John A. Ehrhardt.....	138	2	17 80
Juniata.....	42	W. D. Sewell.....	106	2	14 60
Hebron.....	43	J. W. Hughes.....	144	2	18 40
Harvard.....	44	Ezra Brown.....	81	2	12 10
Palmyra.....	45	W. S. White.....	24	2	6 40
Rob Morris.....	46	H. Gibbons.....	136	2	17 60
Salem.....	47	H. B. Gist.....	86	2	12 60
Fairmont.....	48	C. B. Webber.....	54	2	9 40
Evening Star.....	49	R. G. Brown.....	70	2	11 00
Hastings.....	50	F. J. Benedict.....	97	2	13 70
.....	51				
Hiram.....	52	J. Hammang.....	78	2	11 80
Charity.....	53	J. L. Miller.....	138	2	17 80
Lancaster.....	54	C. H. Willard.....	.....	2	4 00
Mosaic.....	55	W. H. Lowe.....	151	2	19 10
York.....	56	D. T. Moore.....	51	2	9 10
.....	57				
Lebanon.....	58	C. A. Speice.....	74	2	11 40
Wahoo.....	59	M. B. Reese.....	39	2	7 90
Melrose.....	60	D. E. Bungardner.....	198	2	23 80
Thistle.....	61	F. H. Young.....	68	2	12 80
Keystone.....	62	D. E. Price.....	85	2	12 50
Riverton.....	63	C. C. Chapin.....	141	2	18 10
Blue Valley.....	64	W. H. Mann.....	31	2	7 10
Osceola.....	65	H. A. Scott.....	67	2	10 70
.....	66				
Edgar.....	67	S. J. Whitten.....	124	2	16 40
Aurora.....	68	F. J. Engle.....	74	2	11 40
Fortitude.....	69	S. Darnell.....	37	2	7 70
Sterling.....	70	A. Shipman.....	36	2	7 60
Trowel.....	71	H. M. Cox.....	185	2	22 50
Hooper.....	72	J. F. Burns.....	90	2	15 00
Friend.....	73	D. C. Page.....	38	2	7 80
Alexandria.....	74	C. F. McGrew.....	142	2	18 20
Frank Welch.....	75	J. Newbauer.....	355	2	39 50
Joppa.....	76	W. E. Hatch.....	167	2	22 70
Nelson.....	77	R. Hollingsworth.....	142	2	18 20
Albion.....	78	M. D. Boardman.....	123	2	16 30
Geneva.....	79	J. M. Fisher.....	62	2	10 20
Waco.....	80	J. S. Bennett.....	40	2	8 00
GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.					
J. A. Tulleys.....		G. M.....	138	2	17 80
J. R. Cain.....		Dept. G. M.....	92	2	13 20
E. F. Warren.....		G. S. W.....	57	2	9 70
S. W. Hayes.....		G. J. W.....	100	2	14 00
C. Hartman.....		G. Treas.....	68	Salary	16 80
Wm. R. Bowen.....		G. Secy.....	68	2	10 80
George Scott.....		G. Chaplain.....	105	2	14 50
H. C. Rider.....		G. Lecturer.....	20	2	6 00
F. E. White.....		G. S. D.....	55	2	9 50
J. J. Wemple.....		G. J. D.....	97	2	13 70
John McClelland.....		G. Tiler.....	.....	2	10 00
John J. Monell, jr.....		Asst. Gd. Secy.....	.....	2	10 00

NAME OF LODGE.	NO.	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE.	MILES.	DAYS.	AMOUNT.
COMMITTEES.					
R. H. Oakley	On Jurisprudence	.....	2	4 00
E. K. Valentine	" "	2	4 00
G. W. Lininger	" "	2	4 00
George H. Thummel	" "	2	4 00
A. G. Hastings	" "	2	4 00
Martin Dunham	" "	2	4 00
Harry P. Deuel	" "	2	4 00
R. W. Furnas	" "	2	4 00
D. H. Wheeler	" "	2	4 00
G. W. Howard	On Charters and Dispensations	.....	3	6 00
E. K. Long	On Returns	.....	3	6 00
R. T. Hume	" "	3	6 00
Total					\$1073 10

Bro. . Scott, 65, submitted the following report from the committee on Charity, which was concurred in:

To the M.:W.: the Grand Lodge:

Your committee on Charity having fully considered the recommendation of the R.:W.:Grand Secretary in regard to the investment of the Charity Fund, would recommend that the same be invested by the Grand Treasurer, under direction of the Grand Master, so it may gather interest.

On motion of Bro. . Davidson, 17, the following was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Masonic Temple Craft, of Omaha, is furnishing the use of a suitable office for our Grand Secretary without expense, and have so furnished such office for several years last past. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the Brethren composing the Temple Craft of Omaha, for their generosity in thus furnishing the use of said office.

Bro. . Bowen offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That in consideration of courtesies extended to our Grand Master, M.:W.: George W. Lininger, during his recent sojourn in Europe, by Bros.: D. Murray Lyon, of Edinburgh, Brackstone Baker, of London, and Niccola Sinimberghi, of Rome, they be appointed representatives of this Grand Lodge near their respective Grand Lodges.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby fraternally extended to Bro.: Shadwell Clarke, Grand Secretary, and Bro.: Henry Sadler, Grand Tiler, of the Grand Lodge of England, for their kind treatment of our Grand Master, M.:W.: George W. Lininger.

P. .G. .M. . Wheeler moved to amend by changing the fourth line to read "the Grand Master be requested to appoint them" and by inserting the word "Past" before the

words "Grand Master" in the first and ninth lines, and also that the Grand Secretary notify the Brethren named; the amendment was adopted and the resolutions as amended were adopted.

On motion of P. . G. . M. . Wheeler the following was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Grand Treasurer of this Grand Lodge is required to give a bond in the penal sum of \$10,000 for the safe keeping of the funds committed to his care, and the faithful discharge of his duties. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer be, and he is hereby, entitled to receive for his services the annual sum of fifty dollars, including the year ending April 30, 1881.

The Grand Lodge was at this time called from labor to refreshment until half-past eight o'clock to-morrow morning.

AT REFRESHMENT—WEDNESDAY EVENING.

Early in the evening the large and handsome lodge room was thronged with the members of the Grand Lodge and other guests, who came to hear the annual oration and participate in the various entertainments which had been provided for the occasion.

The Grand Orator, W. . Bro. . Samuel P. Davidson, delivered the following

ORATION.

Most Worshipful and Brethren:

CUI BONO, to what good, is the searching inquiry and crucial test to which every organization is subjected, which lays claim to popular favor or perpetuity. Human nature is so constituted that no society can long survive which is not founded on principles which tend to promote human welfare. And when we are contemplating any institution which has survived the mutations of so many centuries that its very origin is traditional, but whose influence is still far-reaching and powerful, we must necessarily conclude that such institution has merited the favor of God, and is a benefactor to men. Such an institution is our Masonic Brotherhood. And on this occasion I do not intend to enter into a course of logical reasoning to

prove that Masonry is and ever has been a human benefactor. Such a course is entirely unnecessary. It is only necessary to point to its ancient origin; its endurance under religious and political persecution; its triumphing over papal bulls, royal edicts, party strife, and legislative enactments. The history of its glorious triumphs and achievements causes its votaries to rejoice at what it has accomplished, and affords the amplest proofs of its beneficence and enduring perpetuity. It shall be my purpose, on this occasion, rather to suggest a few of the principles on which our masonic institution is founded, by way of illustrating the answer to the inquiry suggested at the beginning of this address, when applied to Masonry.

The first great principle of Masonry is faith in God. A true Mason has such holy reverence for Him that he never mentions His name but with that reverential awe, which is ever due from the creature to his Creator. No profane swearer is a true Mason. A belief in God and in the infinity of His attributes, will necessarily make men better, more fully satisfied, and consequently happier. It sweeps away doubt and uncertainty. It gives consolation in trouble and peace in the dying hour. And this, my brethren, is one of the corner-stones of the temple of Masonry.

Another of the foundation-stones of our honored institution is the hope of immortal life. Man is fearfully and wonderfully made. What we are and whither we are tending are searching and all-important inquiries. We have within our breasts a longing for immortality. But we can only follow our friends to the brink of the grave and see them sink into that mysterious abyss; and while we feel our own feet sliding from the precarious banks on which we stand, in all the earnestness of our souls we may ask, "Is this the end of man, and the expiring hope of faithful Masons?" But the voice of Masonry, in triumph, exclaims, "No! blessed be God; but as the last embers of mortal life are yet feebly glimmering in the sockets of existence, the Bible, that great light in Masonry, lifts the shroud, draws aside the sable curtains of the tomb, and bids joy and hope arise to cheer and sustain the departing spirit. It points beyond the dark valley of the shadow of death, and bids us turn an eye of faith and confidence to the vast and opening scenes of boundless eternity." Truly may we exclaim to-day, "What a blessed boon to humanity is this cheering and undying hope of immortal life."

A third principle of our mystic institution is: Charity for all mankind. It inculcates universal benevolence. And while it asks that its benefactions be so unostentatiously performed that the recipient can scarcely discern whence its timely blessings come, yet, in general, it takes its stand on the broad plain of human want, and scatters its gifts and deeds of love with a timely, a far-reaching, though often a hidden hand. And not until the unfoldings of the infinite hereafter shall have been completed will it be fully known how much of the tide of human misery and human woe has been assuaged by this unseen hand. How often the orphan's tears have been dried, and the widow's wail has ceased by reason of the comforting consolation of masonic charity. But little as the world knows of the great

work of Masonry, it has ever acknowledged the power and beneficence of masonic influence. And to-day to be known as a true Mason is an honor all may well wish to possess. Then, my brethren, though in our inner circles we may and ought to have for our brethren a warmer heart and more intimate communion than for the world at large, yet let us remember that a Mason's charity should be as boundless as the wants of his fellow-creatures.

Faith in God, hope of immortal life, and charity for all mankind, are the three solid principles born of *eternal truth* which are as endless as eternity and as beneficent as love itself. Around them cluster all the other graces of morality. It has been well said by an illustrious man and mason that "truth is the sun of the Masonic system, around which all the other virtues revolve, and we may trace there its origin to God, the fountain of all truth, with whom there is no disorder or confusion. Ever since symmetry began, and harmony displayed her charms, our order has had a being." Some may regard these sentiments as extravagant and unwarranted, but I do not. There is not a sentence or a sentiment in the whole ritual and teachings of Masonry, of which I have ever heard, that is not in harmony with very *truth* itself. That does not tend to elevate character, and ennoble mankind. Many great and good men have never entered this mystic circle, but no man, high or low, rich or poor, learned or ignorant, ever knelt at the Masonic altar with a pure motive but was made better and received higher and nobler and holier aspirations. It is true that many persons enter the portals of our mystic asylum with wrong motives led on by curiosity, or a desire to be known by the world at large, as honorable because they belong to this honorable fraternity. All such receive instruction with unattentive ears, and with them are insecurely lodged the mysteries of Freemasonry in unfaithful breasts. And Masons even sometimes fear the influence of such persons on the institution itself, and sometimes wonder that their infidelity and untrue manhood have not more injuriously affected the endurance and ornate beauty of the temple of Masonry. But when we remember that the foundation stones above mentioned are more enduring than marble or granite, and absolutely impervious to all such influences, our confidence is restored, and we cease to fear or dread the marring and polluting touch of such infidelity or impurity. Such men enter, do their worst and are forgotten, and Masonry lives on unmindful of and unaffected by their existence, and the world even soon discerns the impurity of their motives, and treats them with the withering scorn and contempt they so richly deserve.

I have often wondered at the massive and immovable character of the foundations of King Solomon's Temple, as described by Dr. Rob. Morris. He says the foundations of the original temple, as constructed under the direction of the illustrious Tyrian, consists of an area of $36\frac{1}{2}$ acres of ground, raised or built up by imbedding and tying together with lead and everlasting materials, stones, some four feet long, some ten feet, some twenty feet and some even forty feet long, and of corresponding breadth and thickness, until the whole area has been raised one hundred and fifty feet high. I have

thought, conceding this description to be correct, that if any human structure could be so durable as to outlast and override the devastations of the crumbling centuries, that massive, tremendous structure will. But, my brethren, the stones of our masonic temple are larger, firmer, more massive, and more securely bound together than are those of this great structure, and will outlast and survive it and all like it. Our temple has been tried, purified and solidified by the tests which have been applied to no other institution except the church of the ever-living God.

Most Worshipful, I have seen proper on this occasion to refer to these great truths, and call them up afresh in our minds, thinking that if I can incite in my brethren more zeal for this grand and ever-enduring institution, more pride for its massive but ornate proportions, and purer motives in searching after Masonic truth, I shall have accomplished as much as you who commissioned me would expect from one short address. Then, my brethren, let none of you conclude that Masonry is waning or that it has outlived its usefulness. Because as long as there is human want, either mental or physical, to allay, as long as there are injustice, impurity and oppression to oppose, as long as human nature remains, there will be a vast and ever-opening field in which Masonry is called to effective and ceaseless labor. Then leave the idle curiosity seeker, who dreams that when he has gone through with the ceremonies of induction into our mystic circle, that he is a full fledged and panopled Mason,—leave all such at the threshold where they must ever remain, because they can never become true Masons, but you press on in your search for greater light, and you will constantly grow nobler yourself, you will continually know more of humanity, and how to alleviate its wants, and more and more of God Himself.

After the oration the long, deliciously-weighted tables in the adjoining banquet room were surrounded by a portion of the guests, while another portion, awaiting their turn, passed the time with joyous song, pathetic and jocund recitation, and pleasant converse, “from grave to gay, from lively to severe.” Thus alternating, the hours allotted to refreshment were consumed without intemperance or excess, with pleasure to all present, and with much satisfaction to all concerned.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 5881.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at half-past eight o'clock, M. . W. . James A. Tulleys, Grand Master, in the East.

Bro. . Lowe, chairman of the committee on Accounts, submitted the following report from that committee, which was adopted:

To the M. . W. . the Grand Lodge of Nebraska :

We, your committee on Accounts, beg to make the following report, to-wit:

That we have carefully examined the books of our Brother Grand Secretary and compared the accounts of the receipts and disbursements from June 22, 5880, up to the same date in 5881, and find that they have been carefully and correctly kept, and that we find the balance of Grand Lodge funds now on hand, as shown the said books, to be \$5,066.17

And we beg to further report that we have carefully examined the printed report of our brother Grand Treasurer showing a balance of \$3,694.17, including the \$10 charity fund together with \$1,372 received from the Bro. . Grand Secretary since the Grand Treasurer's report referred to was printed, we find the same to agree with the balance as shown by the Brother Grand Secretary's books.

Bro. . Davidson presented the following resolution from the special committee on the Grand Secretary's report, of which he was chairman, which resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the blanks prepared by the Grand Secretary, consisting of blank petitions for initiation, for affiliation, for a dispensation to form a new lodge and for a charter—also blank statements of work, financial and other reports of secretaries, committees, etc., notices of dues, etc.—be approved, and that the lodges of this jurisdiction be recommended to procure and use these blanks as far as practicable.

The recommendation of the same special committee, with reference to the "Annual Financial Report" to the Grand Lodge (see pages 19 and 45, proceedings of '80), that the requirement of these reports be rescinded, was adopted.

Bro. . Coutant, 11, proposed the following amendment to section 1 of the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

After the word "convenient" in the third line add the words "five members of the Lodge, including the Master or one of the Wardens, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a regular meeting or for conferring a degree at a special meeting."

On motion of P. . G. . M. . Wheeler, consideration was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Bro. . Bullard, 32, to accede to the following request from Blue Valley Lodge, No. 64, for a compendium, the representative of Plattsmouth Lodge, No. 6, offered to donate a compendium.

We, the representatives of Blue Valley Lodge, 64, A. . F. . and A. . M. . desire to state to this Grand Lodge in behalf of our lodge, that we have been to great expense in refurnishing a new hall and providing an entire outfit of paraphernalia to replace those recently lost by fire. That among other things we lost our *compendium*, which was fully written up. In view of these facts we respectfully ask of the Grand Lodge if compatible with its interest, that a new compendium be given to our lodge free of charge.

P. . G. . M. . Hastings submitted the following report from the special committee, of which he was chairman, which was adopted:

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Nebraska .

Your special committee to whom was referred that portion of the Most Worshipful Grand Master's address which relates to the fraternal dead, beg leave to submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That in the death of Most Worshipful Grand Master Allen Hill Crowe, of Nova Scotia, the whole Craft, wheresoever dispersed, have lost an honored workman in the temple of Masonry, and we hereby tender to our brethren in that jurisdiction our heart-felt sympathy and sorrow in the loss of a faithful workman worthy to be honored by the Craft.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge hears with sorrow of the death of R. . W. . Bro. . William G. Tonn, our Grand Representative near the M. . W. . Grand Lodge of Wyoming, and tender its fraternal condolence to the brethren of that jurisdiction in the loss of so distinguished a member of the Fraternity, and we hope and trust that his faithful labors here have prepared him for wages, refreshment and rest obtained through the gates of death.

Bro. . Warren made the following report from the special committee of which he was chairman (see page 48, proceedings of '80).

To the M.: W.: Grand Lodge of Nebraska :

Your special committee to whom was referred the subject of devising some method of securing the prompt forwarding of *returns* of subordinates to the Grand Secretary's office in accordance with our regulations, have had the same under serious consideration, and have found the matter one of no little difficulty, but upon reflection would recommend the following:

Ordered, That the committee on Returns be directed to add, as a part of the dues and fees of subordinate lodges, ten per centum of the gross amount thereof upon all such reports as are not forwarded to the Grand Secretary's office on or before May 10 in the current year.

Provided, That there shall be *deducted* from such penalty the following proportion thereof upon returns received between the dates respectively as follows:

- On all received between May 10 and May 15, nine-tenths.
- On all received between May 15 and May 20, eight-tenths.
- On all received between May 20 and May 25, seven-tenths.
- On all received between May 25 and May 31, six-tenths.
- On all received between May 31 and June 5, five-tenths.
- On all received between June 5 and June 10, four-tenths.
- On all received between June 10 and June 15, three-tenths.

Grand Secretary Bowen explained the importance of having the annual returns promptly forwarded so that the committee on Returns can even more thoroughly than heretofore examine and correct them; he also remarked upon the importance of having the annual dues and fees accompany the returns, so that the committee on Accounts may have time to really audit the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Secretary, an unsafe impossibility under the present custom; he instanced the present session, where \$215.75 had been paid in this morning since the committee on Accounts had reported, and to remove any possible objection to forwarding funds in advance of the communication of the Grand Lodge, he offered to give bond in same amount as the Grand Treasurer.

P.: G.: M.: Furnas moved to amend the regulation proposed by the committee by striking out the word "provided," and all that follows it; P.: M.: G.: Wheeler moved to amend by changing "May 10" to May 31; both

amendments prevailed, and as amended the report was concurred in and the regulation adopted.

Bro. . Lowe submitted the following report from the committee on Accounts:

To the M.:W.: the Grand Lodge of Nebraska :

We, your committee on Accounts, beg to report that we have carefully examined our R. W. Grand Secretary's statement of office expenditures since the last annual communication of this Grand Body; it contains nothing but what seems to us to have been necessary for the use of his office, and the appropriation of last year, amounting to four hundred dollars, has been entirely exhausted, and the account is hereby approved.

The report being adopted without dissenting vote, the Grand Secretary said that he had recently learned, with surprise, that some doubt existed in the minds of a few brethren as to the propriety of charging the Grand Lodge with the fuel and gas consumed in the Grand Secretary's office. He stated that two-thirds of such expense was charged to the Grand Lodge and one-third to the Grand Chapter, and that he deemed the charge for fuel and gas as proper as the charge for stationery or postage.

On motion of P. . G. . M. . Hastings it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are most cordially extended to W. Bro. Samuel P. Davidson for his interesting and instructive address, and he is requested to furnish a copy for publication in the proceedings of this annual communication.

The following offered by Bro. . Warren was adopted:

WHEREAS, Our M.:W.: Past Grand Master, George W. Lininger, has recently returned from an extended tour in Europe, Egypt, Palestine and Syria, and as mementoes of his visit in the Holy Land, had manufactured while in Jerusalem GAVELS from the "Wood of Olive," from material selected by him and grown upon the sacred mountains, and having presented one to this Grand Lodge and one to each of our Past Grand Masters, and,

WHEREAS, Having heretofore received the word, traveled in foreign countries and thus brought up such beautiful material, he is entitled to receive his wages; therefore,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to

our M.·W.· Brother for his kindly remembrance, while in Jerusalem, of our Grand Lodge and those of our members whom we have in the past been pleased to honor by elevating to the highest station known to ancient craft Masonry.

The city of Lincoln was chosen as the place for the next annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

The following appointments by the Grand Master elect were announced and were confirmed:

BRO.: GEORGE SCOTT, 27Grand Chaplain.
 BRO.: JAMES S. GILHAM, 53.....Grand Orator.
 BRO.: LEE P. GILLETTE, 19.....Grand Lecturer.
 BRO.: ALFRED L. PALMER, 19.....Grand Marshal.
 BRO.: FRANCES E. WHITE, 6.....Grand Senior Deacon.
 BRO.: FRANK E. BULLARD, 32.....Grand Junior Deacon.
 BRO.: JOHN McCLELLAND, 19.....Grand Tiler.
 BRO.: ROLLAND H. OAKLEY, 19Trustee Orphan Education Fund.

P.·G.·M.· George W. Lininger, assisted by M.·W.· Rolland H. Oakley as Grand Marshal, now obligated, instructed and installed all the newly chosen office-bearers of the Grand Lodge, excepting the Grand Chaplain and the Grand Orator, who were not present.

Bro.· Warren for the special committee appointed at the last annual communication (page 38, proceedings of '80), made report as follows, which was adopted:

To the M.·W.· Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your special committee to whom was referred the matter of providing a fire-proof vault for the safe deposit of the archives of this Grand Lodge, would recommend that the whole subject matter be referred to the R.·W.· Grand Secretary to work out his own salvation. Your committee express a lively conviction that unless something is soon done to provide a secure place for our records we will soon have the mournful satisfaction of knowing that they have been wiped out of existence, and inasmuch as our Grand Secretary well knows the need, so should he devise and suggest the remedy.

The committee on Ways and Means made report, which was adopted, recommending the following appropriations for the incoming year:

Printing proceedings of '81.	\$450 00
Printing report on foreign correspondence.....	450 00
Printing 500 copies of constitution, etc.	100 00
Office expenses of Grand Secretary.	350 00
Books and blanks for Lodges Nos. 81 to 86.....	90 00
Expenses of the Grand Master.....	25 00
Expenses of the Grand Lecturer.....	25 00
Expenses of the Grand Tiler	10 00

On motion of G. : J. : W. : Wemple it was

Resolved: That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the ladies of the Chapter of the Eastern Star, also to the brethren of Lincoln Lodge No. 19, and Lancaster Lodge No. 54, and their ladies for the social reception and excellent banquet enjoyed by us last evening.

On motion of P. : G. : M. : Lininger it was

Resolved: That it is the sense of this Grand Lodge that it is lawful for the Master of a Lodge, or one of its Wardens, with six Master Masons in good standing, to open a Lodge and confer the degrees.

Bro. : Warren submitted the following report from the committee on Foreign Correspondence, which was adopted:

To the M. : W. : Grand Lodge of Nebraska:

Your committee on Foreign Correspondence, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's address relating to the rupture of relations between the Grand Lodges of Missouri and New Mexico, would report:

That the whole subject-matter was disposed of at our last communication in our report upon the difficulty between the Grand Lodges of Minnesota and Dakota,—see proceedings of '80, pages 43 and 44,—and we have nothing to add thereto.

A report was made recommending approval of changes in the by-laws of York Lodge, No. 56, and Osceola Lodge, No. 65, which report was adopted.

P. : G. : M. : Lininger invited the attention of the Grand Lodge to the resolution on page 69, proceedings of '77, contemplating the assembling of the Grand Masters and Grand Secretaries of the several jurisdictions; at some length he discussed the objects to be attained by such a congress, and presented the necessity which apparently exists for concerted action with reference to some interests of Freemasonry; he recommended reference of the entire

subject to the committee on Foreign Correspondence. On motion, the Grand Master was empowered to take such action in the matter as he might deem proper.

D. . G. . M. . Warren discussed the bond required from *each* Trustee of the Orphan Educational Fund, and moved that the three Trustees be required to give a *joint and several* bond each year in amount of \$20,000, subject to the approval of the Grand Master; his motion prevailed.

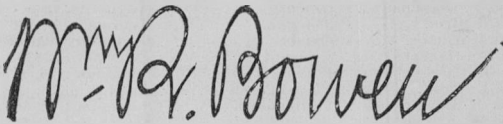
On motion of P. . G. . M. . Hastings it was by a rising vote,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to our Past Grand Master James A. Tulleys for the efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of the chief office-bearer of Freemasons in Nebraska — we most heartily commend the example of our Most Worshipful Brother to all future Grand Masters of this jurisdiction.

No further business appearing, the Grand Lodge was closed in ample form.

JAMES R. CAIN,

Grand Master.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "W. R. Bowen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the title "Grand Secretary".

Grand Secretary.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND LODGES NEAR THE
GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA.

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	ADDRESS.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.
Alabama	James W. Chaddock	Nebraska City	September 22, 1869.
Arkansas	Samuel W. Hayes	Norfolk	March 6, 1878.
British Columbia	William Adair	Dakota City	May 12, 1874.
California	Orasmus H. Irish	Nebraska City	May 20, 1874.
Canada	Robert C. Jordan	Omaha	August 1, 1878.
Colorado	Josiah B. Redfield	Omaha	May 11, 1874.
Connecticut	Alfred G. Hastings	Lincoln	February 20, 1877.
Dakota	Gustavus Stevenson	Omaha	February 25, 1878.
Delaware	Edwin A. Allen	Omaha	December 1, 1869.
District of Columbia	Charles F. Catlin	Omaha	September 18, 1869.
Florida	Hiram C. Rider	Crete	February 1, 1877.
France	Robert R. Livingston	Plattsmouth	September 30, 1869.
Georgia	Henry O. Hanna	Falls City	September 15, 1869.
Idaho	James A. Tulleys	Red Cloud	February 1, 1877.
Indiana	George H. Thummel	Grand Island	September 2, 1872.
Illinois	Harry P. Denel	Omaha	September 8, 1869.
Indian Territory	Bradner D. Slaughter	Fullerton	August 4, 1879.
Iowa	Robert W. Furnas	Brownville	March 15, 1872.
Kansas	Robert C. Jordan	Grand Island	
Kentucky	J. Newton Wise	Plattsmouth	September 14, 1870.
Louisiana	J. Newton Wise	Plattsmouth	October 25, 1869.
Maine	N. S. Harding	Nebraska City	December 1, 1869.
Manitoba	Edwin F. Warren	Nebraska City	March 24, 1877.
Maryland	George Armstrong	Omaha	February 2, 1877.
Michigan	Daniel H. Wheeler	Plattsmouth	January 3, 1870.
Minnesota	Robert C. Jordan	Omaha	
Missouri	J. Newton Wise	Plattsmouth	August 17, 1869.
Mississippi	John M. Burks	Nebraska City	December 31, 1869.
Montana	Charles F. Goodman	Omaha	August 14, 1878.
Nevada	James R. Reed	Tekamah	February 14, 1870.
New Brunswick	Edwin A. Allen	Omaha	September 22, 1869.
New Hampshire	Frank W. Hayes	Fremont	February 8, 1879.
New Jersey	James R. Cain	Falls City	September 24, 1878.
New Mexico	Henry E. Palmer	Plattsmouth	April 25, 1879.
New York	Robert R. Livingston	Plattsmouth	September 13, 1869.
North Carolina	Robert W. Furnas	Brownville	September 20, 1869.
Nova Scotia	Charles F. Catlin	Omaha	June 10, 1871.
Ohio	Robert W. Furnas	Brownville	September 10, 1869.
Oregon	Henry Brown	Nebraska City	
Prince Edward's Isl'd	William H. Platt	Grand Island	February 19, 1877.
Rhode Island	William M. Knapp	York	April 9, 1877.
Scotland			
South Carolina	George C. Betts	Omaha	October 22, 1869.
Tennessee	J. Newton Wise	Plattsmouth	June 24, 1869.
Texas	Martin Dunham	Omaha	February 22, 1877.
Utah	George B. Graff	Omaha	December 5, 1872.
Vermont	William R. Bowen	Omaha	June 13, 1877.
Virginia	William E. Hill	Nebraska City	October 21, 1879.
Washington Territory	Charles A. Holmes	Tecumseh	February 15, 1877.
West Virginia	Henry T. Davis	Lincoln	October 12, 1866.
Wisconsin	Alexander Atkinson	Omaha	January 29, 1877.
Wyoming	Rolland H. Oakley	Lincoln	March 7, 1877.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND LODGE OF NEBRASKA
NEAR OTHER GRAND LODGES.

GRAND LODGE.	REPRESENTATIVE.	ADDRESS.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.
Alabama.....	Palmer J. Pillans.....	Mobile.....	May 31, 1870.
Arkansas.....	Luke E. Barber.....	Little Rock.....	March 21, 1878.
British Columbia.....	Robert P. Rithet.....	.....	April 20, 1874.
California.....	William A. Davies.....	Stockton.....	June 2, 1873.
Canada.....	Robert Ramsay.....	Orillia.....	October 9, 1879.
Colorado.....	Henry M. Teller.....	Central City.....	April 20, 1874.
Connecticut.....	Joseph K. Wheeler.....	Hartford.....	April 9, 1877.
Dakota.....	George W. Kingsbury.....	Yankton.....	March 18, 1878.
Delaware.....	Daniel McClintock.....	Wilmington.....	December 11, 1869.
District of Columbia.....	John H. Russell.....	Washington.....	September 22, 1869.
Florida.....	William A. McLean.....	Jacksonville.....	February 12, 1877.
Georgia.....	Joseph E. Wells.....	Macon.....	September 22, 1869.
Idaho.....	Barton R. Hughes.....	Pioneerville.....	February 12, 1877.
Illinois.....	John M. Palmer.....	Springfield.....	.....
Indiana.....	Martin H. Rice.....	Indianapolis.....	.....
Indian Territory.....	John T. Adair.....	.....	July 29, 1879.
Iowa.....	William E. Woodward.....	Burlington.....	March 20, 1872.
Kansas.....	Edward D. Hillyer.....	Grasshopper Falls.....	September 22, 1869.
Kentucky.....	L. D. Croninger.....	Covington.....	June 1, 1871.
Louisiana.....	Augustin B. Seger.....	New Orleans.....	March 29, 1870.
Maine.....	Edward P. Burnham.....	Saco.....	March 29, 1870.
Manitoba.....	Simon Duffin.....	Winnipeg.....	April 14, 1877.
Maryland.....	Edward J. Oppelt.....	Baltimore.....	February 12, 1877.
Michigan.....	Abraham T. Metcalf.....	Kalamazoo.....	January 17, 1874.
Minnesota.....	J. E. Finch.....	Hastings.....	.....
Missouri.....	Charles F. Vogel.....	St. Louis.....	June 3, 1877.
Montana.....	Henry M. Parchen.....	Helena.....	April 9, 1877.
Nevada.....	Charles E. Loughton.....	Carson.....	November 20, 1876.
New Brunswick.....	William Wedderburn.....	St. John.....	January 1, 1873.
New Hampshire.....	Alpheus W. Baker.....	Lebanon.....	March 18, 1873.
New Jersey.....	Charles Bechtel.....	Trenton.....	September 22, 1869.
New Mexico.....	Cornelius Cosgrove.....	.....	April 7, 1879.
New York.....	Robert M. C. Graham.....	New York city.....	April 9, 1877.
North Carolina.....	James B. Batchelor.....	Raleigh.....	.....
Nova Scotia.....	George Frazier.....	Halifax.....	.....
Ohio.....	Robert Gwynn.....	Cincinnati.....	.....
Prince Edward's Isl'd.....	John Muirhead.....	Charlottetown.....	March 21, 1877.
Rhode Island.....	Edward L. Freeman.....	Providence.....	April 17, 1877.
Scotland.....	George McLean.....	Edinburgh.....	May 23, 1873.
South Carolina.....	Augustine T. Smythe.....	Charleston.....	March 20, 1877.
Tennessee.....	James O. Connor.....	Jackson.....	August 2, 1869.
Texas.....	Joseph D. Sayers.....	Bastrop (c. h.).....	March 20, 1877.
Utah.....	Thomas E. Clohecy.....	Salt Lake City.....	November 3, 1875.
Washington Territory.....	James Biles.....	Turnwater.....	June 3, 1873.
West Virginia.....	B. F. Martin.....	Pruntytown.....	.....
Wisconsin.....	Merrick P. Wing.....	La Crosse.....	April 9, 1877.
Wyoming.....	William G. Tonn.....	Evanston.....	March 20, 1877.

NOTE.—Information is desired wherewith to fill the blanks in the foregoing statement.

LIST OF GRAND LODGES AND THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES
OF THE GRAND SECRETARIES.

GRAND LODGE.	GRAND SECRETARY.	ADDRESS.
Alabama	Daniel Sayre	Montgomery.
Arkansas	Fay Hempstead	Little Rock.
British Columbia	Edgar Crow Baker	Victoria.
California	Alex. G. Abell	San Francisco.
Canada	J. . . . J. Mason	Hamilton, Ontario.
Colorado	Edward C. Parmalee	Georgetown.
Connecticut	Joseph K. Wheeler	Hartford.
Dakota	Charles T. McCoy	San Homme.
Delaware	William S. Hayes	Washington.
District of Columbia	William R. Singleton	Washington.
England	Shadwell Clarke	London.
Florida	DeWitt C. Dawkins	Jacksonville.
Georgia	J. Emmet Blackshear	Macon.
Idaho	J. . . . H. Wickersham	Silver City.
Illinois	Loyal L. Munn	Freeport.
Indiana	William H. Smythe	Indianapolis.
Indian Territory	J. . . . S. Murrow	Atoka, Choctaw Nation.
Iowa	Theodore S. Parvin	Iowa City.
Ireland	Sam'l B. Oldham, Deputy Gr. Sec.	Dublin.
Kansas	John H. Brown	Wyandotte.
Kentucky	Hiram Bassett	Millersburg.
Louisiana	James C. Batchelor	New Orleans.
Maine	Ira Berry	Portland.
Manitoba	James Henderson	Winnipeg.
Maryland	Jacob H. Medairy	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	Tracy P. Cheever	Boston.
Michigan	William P. Innis	Grand Rapids.
Minnesota	A. T. C. Pierson	St. Paul.
Mississippi	J. . . . L. Power	Jackson.
Missouri	John D. Vincil	St. Louis.
Montana	Cornelius Hedges	Helena.
Nebraska	William R. Bowen	Omaha.
Nevada	John D. Hammond	Carson.
New Brunswick	W. F. Bunting	St. John.
New Hampshire	George P. Cleaves	Concord.
New Jersey	Joseph H. Hough	Trenton.
New Mexico	David J. Miller	Santa Fe.
New York	James M. Austin	New York.
North Carolina	Donald W. Bain	Raleigh.
Nova Scotia	Benjamin Curren	Halifax.
Ohio	John D. Caldwell	Cincinnati.
Oregon	F. . . . J. Babcock	Salem.
Pennsylvania	John Thomson	Philadelphia.
Prince Edward's Island	George W. Wakeford	Charlottetown.
Quebec	John H. Isaacson	Montreal.
Rhode Island	Edwin Baker	Providence.
Scotland	D. Murray Lyon	Edinburgh.
South Carolina	Charles Inglesby	Charleston.
Tennessee	John Frizzell	Nashville.
Texas	George H. Bringham	Houston.
Utah	Christopher Diehl	Salt Lake City.
Vermont	William H. Root	Burlington.
Virginia	William B. Isaacs	Richmond.
Washington Territory	Thomas M. Reed	Olympia.
West Virginia	Odell S. Long	Wheeling.
Wisconsin	John W. Woodhull	Milwaukee.
Wyoming	William G. Tonn	Evanston.

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LOVED BRETHREN WHO ARE

At Rest.

NAME.	LODGE.	DATE OF DEATH.
ISREAL LOOMIS.....	Western Star, No. 2	Nov. 2, '80
JAMES A. GILMORE	" " "	2.... —, —
THOMAS BLACKMORE	Capitol,	" 3....Jan. 29, '81
MICHAEL THORNTON	Falls City,	" 9....Sept. —, '80
EDWARD W. WAGNER	Covert,	" 11.... —, —
JAMES V. WILLMAN.....	Nebraska City,	" 12....Dec. 29, '80
WILLIAM F. McBRIDE	" " "	" 12....April 24, '81
GEORGE ORR	Tecumseh,	" 17....Nov. 1, '80
MALCOLM McINTOSH	Saint Johns,	" 25....Dec. 9, '80
JAMES McMILLAN....	Jordan,	" 27....Oct. 17, '80
JOHN C. MOORE	Platte Valley,	" 32....March 29, '81
A. W. SHOWALTER	Fairbury,	" 35.... —, —
JACOB A. MILLER	Lone Tree,	" 36....May 4, '80
JAMES T. HOLLAND	Crete,	" 37....Feb. 16, '81
WILLIAM A. FARMER	Harvard,	" 44....Oct. 16, '80
A. W. OLDS	Rob. Morris,	" 46....Jan. 10, '81
JAMES THOMPSON	Evening Star,	" 49....Feb. 20, '81
GEORGE W. HOWE	Hastings,	" 50....Nov. 2, '80
AUGUSTUS T. ASH	"	" 50....Feb. 25, '81
DANIEL E. MARSH	Charity,	" 53....Nov. 10, '80
JAMES MURRAY	Wahoo,	" 59....Sept. 10, '80
DENMAN TROTT	Thistle,	" 61....Jan. 16, '81
WALTER T. STACY	Friend,	" 73....Oct. 3, '80



ROLL OF LODGES,

APRIL 30, 5881.

NEBRASKA LODGE, NO. 1, BELLEVUE, SARPY COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Tuesday on or preceding the full moon each month.

SEAL — Master's apron, with square and compasses laid thereon.

OFFICERS.

Frank E. Caldwell, Master.	James Sipp, Treasurer.
Joseph D. Luce, Senior Warden.	William F. Martin, Secretary.
George Clifton, Junior Warden.	David Leach, Senior Deacon.
Jacob Slothour, Junior Deacon.	

WESTERN STAR LODGE, NO. 2, NEBRASKA CITY, OTOE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Friday evening on or before the full moon.

SEAL — A star (rayed) above the Book of Constitutions guarded by the Tiler's sword: motto, "*Lux esto.*"

OFFICERS.

Charles F. Rice, Master.	Edwin F. Warren, Secretary.
Henry Brown, Senior Warden.	Edward F. Thorpe, Senior Deacon.
Ben. J. Ewing, Junior Warden.	Harry Wales, Junior Deacon.
Sylvester J. Faris, Treasurer.	John S. Place, Tiler.

CAPITOL LODGE, NO. 3, OMAHA, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Monday evening in each calendar month.

SEAL — The square and compasses, radiant, surrounding the letter "G," and surmounted by a small six-pointed star.

OFFICERS.

John H. Butler, Master.	Lewis M. Rheem, Senior Deacon.
Richard T. Hume, Senior Warden.	William N. Tompsett, Junior Deacon.
Charles W. Burgdorf, Junior Warden.	Harlan P. Devalon, Senior Steward.
Myer Hellman, Treasurer.	John Ward, Junior Steward.
William R. Bowen, Secretary.	Isaac W. Davis, Tiler.

NEMAHA VALLEY LODGE, NO. 4, BROWNVILLE, NEMAHA COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before the full of the moon.

SEAL — Square and compasses, with rays, surrounded by the words "Nemaha Valley Lodge, No. 4," and two stars.

OFFICERS.

John J. Mercer, Master	J. C. McNaughton, Secretary.
Benjamin F. Souder, Senior Warden.	Alfred G. Burnett, Senior Deacon.
Edmund Huddart, Junior Warden.	Thomas F. Perry, Junior Deacon.
Matthew A. Handley, Treasurer.	A. D. Marsh, Tiler.

OMADI LODGE, NO. 5, DAKOTA CITY, DAKOTA COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before the full moon.

OFFICERS.

William Adair, Master.	A. H. Baker, Secretary.
W. C. McBeath, Senior Warden.	E. J. De Bell, Senior Deacon.
William Cheney, Junior Warden.	G. T. Wood, Junior Deacon.
T. L. Griffey, Treasurer.	J. Osterling, Tiler.

PLATTSMOUTH LODGE, NO. 6, PLATTSMOUTH, CASS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First and third Monday evenings of each calendar month.

OFFICERS.

J. Finley Johnson, Master.	Robert Ballance, Senior Deacon.
Arlington O. Ashley, Senior Warden.	Allan M. Savage, Junior Deacon.
Albert D. Despain, Junior Warden.	William B. Shryock, Senior Steward.
John W. Marshall, Treasurer.	William H. Baker, Junior Steward.
Frank H. Wilson, Secretary.	William B. Brown, Tiler.
Isaac Wiles, Chaplain.	

SUMMIT LODGE, NO. 7, PARKVILLE, COLORADO.

(Transferred to Grand Lodge of Colorado.)

DECATUR LODGE, NO. 7, DECATUR.

(Charter surrendered.)

ROCKY MOUNTAIN LODGE, NO. 8, GOLD HILL, COLORADO.

(Transferred to Grand Lodge of Colorado.)

COLUMBUS LODGE, NO. 8, COLUMBUS.

(Charter surrendered.)

FALLS CITY LODGE, NO. 9, FALLS CITY, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or after each full moon.

SEAL — An apron inscribed in a circle. The word "Chartered" above the apron. The words "Falls City Lodge" upon the bib. No. 9, A. F. & A. M., Falls City, Nebraska, upon apron proper, etc.

OFFICERS.

Wilson M. Maddox, Master.	Leonidas M. May, Senior Deacon.
James F. Hinton, Senior Warden.	Barton C. Metz, Junior Deacon.
Allen B. Smith, Junior Warden.	Archibald J. Weaver, Senior Steward.
Levi N. Korner, Treasurer.	Robert A. Wherry, Junior Steward.
Thomas C. Shelly, Secretary.	John Fikes, Tiler.

SOLOMON LODGE, NO. 10, FORT CALHOUN, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Thursday in each month.

OFFICERS.

James S. Riddler, Master.	Lorenzo Crouse, Treasurer.
Edwin N. Grinnell, Senior Warden.	John B. Kuony, Secretary.
Louis M. D. Vaughan, Junior Warden.	Henry Shutt, Tiler.

COVERT LODGE, NO. 11, OMAHA, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Second Wednesday evening of each month.

SEAL — Mosaic pavement.

OFFICERS.

Gustave Anderson, Master.	Daniel S. Benton, Senior Deacon.
Charles K. Coutant, Senior Warden.	Alexander B. Rogers, Junior Deacon.
Laughlin T. Maginn, Junior Warden.	Christian Hartman, Senior Steward.
Harry P. Deuel, Treasurer.	James S. Gibson, Junior Steward.
Washington I. Baker, Secretary.	William J. Mount, Tiler.

NEBRASKA CITY LODGE, NO. 12, NEBRASKA CITY, OTOE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Tuesday evening on or before the full moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

James B. Northcutt, Master.	William F. N. Houser, Secretary.
Robert M. Hill, Senior Warden.	William Brower, Senior Deacon.
David R. Thompson, Junior Warden.	Charles B. Bickell, Junior Deacon.
George M. Brinker, Treasurer.	Casper Lauer, Tiler.

ORIENT LODGE, NO. 13, RULO, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Monday on or before the full moon.

OFFICERS.

Tyler C. Hoyt, Master.	George D. Kirk, Secretary.
Z. J. Parsons, Senior Warden.	George Bowker, Senior Deacon.
A. P. Forney, Junior Warden.	D. Van Valkenburg, Junior Deacon.
Jacob Shoff, Treasurer.	M. D. Simpson, Tiler.

PERU LODGE, NO. 14, PERU, NEMAHA COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday night on or before the full moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Thomas S. Horn, Master.	D. C. Cole, Secretary.
G. W. Heywood, Senior Warden.	George Ashley, Senior Deacon.
O. P. Root, Junior Warden.	John H. F. Scott, Junior Deacon.
B. W. Knott, Treasurer.	T. J. Majors, Senior Steward.
John H. Miller, Tiler.	

FREMONT LODGE, NO. 15, FREMONT, DODGE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Tuesday of each month and December 27.

SEAL — Three columns, with the plumb, square and level at their base.

OFFICERS.

James H. Crabbs, Master.	John Twamley, Senior Deacon.
John B. Meredith, Senior Warden.	Thomas Frahm, Junior Deacon.
David M. Welty, Junior Warden.	M. H. Hinman, Senior Steward.
Allen Marshall, Treasurer.	John Falconer, Junior Steward.
Arthur Gibson, Secretary.	Joel A. Green, Tiler.

EUREKA LODGE, NO. 16, ARAGO, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

(Charter surrendered.)

TECUMSEH LODGE, NO. 17, TECUMSEH, JOHNSON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday evening on or before the full of the moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Henry Muhlenbrock, Master.	Charles A. Holmes, Senior Deacon.
Alfred Canfield, Senior Warden.	Samuel P. Davidson, Junior Deacon.
Titus V. Hare, Junior Warden.	Robert G. Work, Senior Steward.
Joseph W. Buffum, Treasurer.	C. R. Bryant, Junior Steward.
William Louis Dunlap, Secretary.	Isaac Clark, Tiler.

ASHLAND LODGE, NO. 18, ASHLAND, SAUNDERS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Second Friday of each month.

(No return received.)

LINCOLN LODGE, NO. 19, LINCOLN, LANCASTER COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Tuesday in each month.

SEAL — The square and compasses between two columns; beneath them two right hands.

OFFICERS.

Alfred L. Palmer, Master.	E. O. Miller, Senior Deacon.
Lee P. Gillette, Senior Warden.	Ed. H. Saulsbury, Junior Deacon.
Oliver W. Littler, Junior Warden.	A. D. Kitchen, Senior Steward.
Charles M. Leighton, Treasurer.	John Huefl, Junior Steward.
L. B. Freeman, Secretary.	John McClelland, Tiler.

ROCK BLUFF LODGE, NO. 20, ROCK BLUFF, CASS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Wednesday evening on or before the full moon in each month.

SEAL — The open Book of Constitutions, square and compasses resting thereon.

OFFICERS.

Michael Archer, Master.	W. H. Smith, Secretary.
J. M. Cole, Senior Warden.	S. C. Patterson, Senior Deacon.
Howard Allen, Junior Warden.	Wm. Gilmour, Junior Deacon.
J. M. Patterson, Treasurer.	R. H. Fitch, Tiler.

WASHINGTON LODGE, NO. 21, BLAIR, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Second Tuesday in each month.

OFFICERS.

Nathan Carter, Master.	William H. Eller, Senior Deacon.
Jesse T. Davis, Senior Warden.	John W. Boggs, Junior Deacon.
Joseph Allbery, Junior Warden.	Neil McMillan, Senior Steward.
Silas H. Fawcett, Treasurer.	James E. Merriam, Junior Steward.
Thomas E. Brooks, Secretary.	Henry Newell, Tiler.

MACOY LODGE, NO. 22, PLATTSMOUTH, CASS COUNTY.

(Charter surrendered.)

PAWNEE LODGE, NO. 23, PAWNEE CITY, PAWNEE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Tuesday on or before the full moon.

OFFICERS.

Joseph L. Edwards, Master.	Wilsey C. Lane, Secretary.
James A. Carlock, Senior Warden.	Augustus E. Hassler, Senior Deacon.
John H. Cummins, Junior Warden.	Thomas B. Ross, Junior Deacon.
George N. Hagely, Treasurer.	Uriah Sullivan, Tiler.

LAFAYETTE LODGE, NO. 24, GRANT, NEMAHA COUNTY.

(Charter surrendered.)

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, NO. 25, OMAHA, DOUGLAS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Thursday of each month.

SEAL — A quatre-foil, bearing 1st, an eagle; 2d, location of Lodge, with star; 3d, date of charter; 4th, a certain point within a circle and star, embroidered with two parallel lines with the Book of Constitutions resting thereon; within all, the square and compasses.

OFFICERS.

James B. Bruner, Master.	Matthew Hoover, Senior Deacon.
Isaac Tompsett, Senior Warden.	Ole Oleson, Junior Deacon.
William H. Kent, Junior Warden.	George Ellett, Senior Steward.
John G. Jacobs, Treasurer.	Jerome K. Coulter, Junior Steward.
John J. Points, Secretary.	Adolphus C. Hubbard, Tiler.

BEATRICE LODGE, NO. 26, BEATRICE, GAGE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First and third Saturday nights of each month.

SEAL — Letter "G." Motto: "Faith, Hope, Charity."

OFFICERS.

William P. Fisher, Master.	Jesse Richards, Senior Deacon.
John N. Rickards, Senior Warden.	Walter Rozelle, Junior Deacon.
Gilbert L. Cole, Junior Warden.	William H. Lamb, Senior Steward.
William Lamb, Treasurer.	William S. Post, Junior Steward.
William Heikes, Secretary.	Uri Farr, Tiler.

JORDAN LODGE, NO. 27, WEST POINT, NEBRASKA, CUMING COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

OFFICERS.

C. T. Pulsifer, Master.	F. E. Krause, Secretary.
Wm. Boekenhauer, Senior Warden.	W. E. Krause, Senior Deacon.
A. D. Beemer, Junior Warden.	H. Wilgohs, Junior Deacon.
J. Vostrovsky, Treasurer.	E. Briggs, Tiler.

WYOMING LODGE, NO. 28, SOUTH PASS CITY, WYOMING TERRITORY.

(Transferred to Grand Lodge of Wyoming.)

HOPE LODGE, NO. 29, NEMAHA CITY, NEMAHA COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on before the full of the moon.

OFFICERS.

Philip Crother, Master.	Van Ness Griffin, Senior Deacon.
John Shubert, Senior Warden.	William Hawxby, Junior Deacon.
J. P. King, Junior Warden.	David Tourtelot, Senior Steward.
H. A. Brandt, Treasurer.	James Bolyjack, Junior Steward.
John Culp, Secretary.	Milton Shubert, Tiler.

BLUE RIVER LODGE, NO. 30, MILFORD, SEWARD COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Thursday on before the full of the moon, monthly.

OFFICERS.

Pliny E. Dinsmore, Master.	Hiram A. Brisbin, Senior Deacon.
John A. Raymer, Senior Warden.	Thomas H. Bishop, Junior Deacon.
Jacob H. Culver, Junior Warden.	Samuel H. Biggs, Senior Steward.
George W. Brandon, Treasurer.	Robert Shelby, Junior Steward.
Elisha Courtright, Secretary.	Abrm. Courtright, Tiler.

TEKAMAH LODGE, NO. 31, TEKAMAH, BURT COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—First and third Wednesday of each month.

OFFICERS.

William B. Roberts, Master.	A. T. Conkling, Secretary.
J. P. Latta, Senior Warden.	W. H. Marshall, Senior Deacon.
W. L. Pierce, Junior Warden.	M. H. Morehouse, Junior Deacon.
A. Nelson, Treasurer.	J. E. Hildreth, Tiler.

PLATTE VALLEY LODGE, NO. 32, NORTH PLATTE, LINCOLN COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Second Tuesday of each month.

OFFICERS.

Frank E. Bullard, Master.	Samuel Goozee, Secretary.
Alexander Adams, Senior Warden.	Edwin Todd, Senior Deacon.
Arch. M. Mason, Junior Warden.	David Robson, Junior Deacon.
Charles McDonald, Treasurer.	Albert Marsh, Tiler.

ASHLAR LODGE, NO. 33, GRAND ISLAND, HALL COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Second Thursday in each month.

SEAL—The letter "G."

OFFICERS.

David Ackerman, Jr., Master.	Dittmer H. Vieths, Secretary.
Charles L. Howell, Senior Warden.	Christian Schlotfeldt, Senior Deacon.
Michael Murphy, Junior Warden.	Otto G. Hottinger, Junior Deacon.
Edward Hooper, Treasurer.	Eli A. Barnes, Tiler.

ACACIA LODGE, NO. 34, SCHUYLER, COLFAX COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Thursday in each month.

SEAL — A sprig of acacia.

OFFICERS.

Charles J. Phelps, Master.	Charles E. Sumner, Senior Deacon.
Theron W. Whitman, Senior Warden.	Charles C. Cannon, Junior Deacon.
Thomas B. Crewitt, Junior Warden.	George H. Wells, Senior Steward.
William H. Sumner, Treasurer.	John McPherson, Junior Steward.
John P. Sprecher, Secretary.	Homer Holcomb, Tiler.

FAIRBURY LODGE, NO. 35, FAIRBURY, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First and third Monday evenings of each month.

SEAL — Virgin weeping over a broken column; on the left a tree.

OFFICERS.

George Cross, Master.	F. A. Morey, Senior Deacon.
Robert Christian, Senior Warden.	M. Warren, Junior Deacon.
B. S. Baker, Junior Warden.	R. Boock, Senior Steward.
R. A. Kenedy, Treasurer.	W. H. Diller, Junior Steward.
C. G. Hedges, Secretary.	T. J. Kirk, Tiler.

LONE TREE LODGE, NO. 36, CENTRAL CITY, MERRICK COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETINGS — First and third Saturdays in each month.

SEAL — Square and compasses, with letter "G" in center, over a tree, growing.

OFFICERS.

J. B. White, Master.	Bell E. Berryman, Secretary.
Henry Walters, Senior Warden.	James Dunovan, Senior Deacon.
Charles W. Adams, Junior Warden.	John Payne, Junior Deacon.
James Vieregg, Treasurer.	James H. Berryman, Tiler.

CRETE LODGE, NO. 37, CRETE, SALINE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Friday of each month.

SEAL — The All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above a lamb.

OFFICERS.

John L. Tidball, Master.	George Hastings, Senior Deacon.
Ithamar T. Benjamin, Senior Warden.	Levi Openheimer, Junior Deacon.
Horace S. Fuller, Junior Warden.	James Gallagher, Senior Steward.
William T. Buchanan, Treasurer.	Joseph Kopetsky, Junior Steward.
Edward Healey, Secretary.	R. J. Tambling, Tiler.

OLIVER LODGE, NO. 38, SEWARD, SEWARD COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday evening on or before full moon in each month.

SEAL — All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above a slipper, surrounded by a cable-tow.

OFFICERS.

William Leese, Master.	Thomas E. Sanden, Senior Deacon.
Forington W. Redford, Sen. Warden.	Levi A. Weldon, Junior Deacon.
Richard S. Norval, Junior Warden.	L. Duane Freeman, Senior Steward.
West B. Barrett, Treasurer.	James Read, Junior Steward.
James D. Edwards, Secretary.	Robert McCrosson, Tiler.

PAPILLION LODGE, NO. 39, PAPILLION, SARPY COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday evening on or before each full moon.

SEAL — A level crossed by a square, centre to centre, erect.

OFFICERS.

George C. Potwin, Master.	J. D. Patterson, Secretary.
H. R. Platt, Senior Warden.	J. C. Miller, Senior Deacon.
James W. Thompson, Junior Warden.	S. B. Knapp, Junior Deacon.
D. L. Carpenter, Treasurer.	O. W. Royce, Tiler.

HUMBOLDT LODGE, NO. 40, HUMBOLDT, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Thursday on or before full moon of each month.

OFFICERS.

Spencer M. Hillebert, Master.	Henry A. Scott, Senior Deacon.
Gustavus A. Acken, Senior Warden.	Jacob A. McDougall, Junior Deacon.
Edgar S. Norton, Junior Warden.	George M. Filson, Senior Steward.
Samuel M. Philpot, Treasurer.	Barney Mullen, Junior Steward.
William M. Patton, Secretary.	Albert M. Gentry, Tiler.

NORTHERN LIGHT LODGE, NO. 41, STANTON, STANTON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Wednesday in each month.

SEAL — The All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above the Book of Constitutions, guided by the Tiler's sword.

OFFICERS.

John A. Ehrhardt, Master.	Charles L. Lamb, Senior Deacon.
Henry C. Davis, Senior Warden.	Karl Ley, Junior Deacon.
James McKinsey, Junior Warden.	Samuel S. Canfield, Senior Steward.
Julius Poessnecker, Treasurer.	Alex. M. McFarland, Junior Steward.
Francis McGiverin, Secretary.	Harrison C. Brome, Tiler.

JUNIATA LODGE, NO. 42, JUNIATA, ADAMS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Monday evening on or before full of moon.

OFFICERS.

Ira G. Dillon, Master.	Barnabas E. Swift, Senior Deacon.
William D. Sewell, Senior Warden.	John H. Spencer, Junior Deacon.
Garrett S. Guild, Junior Warden.	Pliny Allen, Senior Steward.
Edwin M. Allen, Treasurer.	George Loher, Junior Steward.
Samuel J. Shirley, Secretary.	Andrew Clute, Tiler.

HEBRON LODGE, NO. 43, HEBRON, THAYER COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—First and third Saturday evenings of each month.

OFFICERS.

John W. Hughes, Master.	William P. Wilson, Senior Deacon.
J. M. Fitchpatrick, Senior Warden.	Benjamin F. Berkey, Junior Deacon.
William J. Green, Junior Warden.	J. G. Rice, Senior Steward.
Edward S. Past, Treasurer.	Frederick E. Roper, Junior Steward.
W. B. Hughes, Secretary.	Barney Bofencamp, Tiler.

HARVARD LODGE, NO. 44, HARVARD, CLAY COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—First and third Tuesdays of each month.

OFFICERS.

W. J. Turner, Master.	E. Brown, Senior Deacon.
G. W. Howard, Senior Warden.	N. H. Lewis, Junior Deacon.
Joseph Spotts, Junior Warden.	A. K. Holborn, Senior Steward.
J. D. Bain, Treasurer.	E. Griffith, Junior Steward.
L. B. Munger, Secretary.	C. D. Moore, Tiler.

PALMYRA LODGE, NO. 45, PALMYRA, OTOE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Wednesday in each month on or before the full of the moon.

SEAL—A shield, quarterly of four, bearing in first quarter a royal crown; in second quarter the cross and crescent; in third quarter a palm tree, and in fourth quarter the jewel of the Grand Master. For crest, the All-Seeing Eye, radiant.

OFFICERS.

William S. White, Master.	W. Durrant Page, Secretary.
Dwight Wait, Senior Warden.	J. Oscar Moore, Senior Deacon.
John Trammershauser, Jun. Warden.	John Noble, Junior Deacon.
Isaac N. Foster, Treasurer.	Joseph Rudge, Tiler.

ROB. MORRIS LODGE, NO. 46, KEARNEY, BUFFALO COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Wednesday of each month.

SEAL — A shield bearing an hour-glass, partly surrounded on right by a scythe; for a crest, a winged globe.

OFFICERS.

Henry Gibbons, Master.	A. K. Sprague, Senior Deacon.
T. J. Beswick, Senior Warden.	J. B. Flint, Junior Deacon.
B. W. Marsh, Junior Warden.	S. S. St. John, Senior Steward.
F. J. Switz, Treasurer.	J. Morris, Junior Steward.
T. J. Parish, Secretary.	A. J. Smead, Tiler.

SALEM LODGE, NO. 47, SALEM, RICHARDSON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before each full moon.

OFFICERS.

Hezekiah B. Gist, Master.	Cassius C. Kenny, Secretary.
Samuel H. Bayne, Senior Warden.	Myron H. Felt, Senior Deacon.
Joshua Van Dervort, Junior Warden.	Hugh Q. Staver, Junior Deacon.
Darwin H. Hull, Treasurer.	Lewis G. Ciper, Tiler.

FAIRMOUNT LODGE, NO. 48, FAIRMOUNT, FILLMORE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Tuesday evening on or before full moon.

SEAL — A certain point within a circle embordered by two perpendicular parallel lines supporting the Book of Constitutions.

OFFICERS.

Calvin B. Webber, Master.	William R. Gaylord, Senior Deacon.
Virgil A. Stuart, Senior Warden.	Charles H. Ketrledge, Junior Deacon.
John Barnsby, Junior Warden.	Henry Lee, Senior Steward.
Sandford H. Oldham, Treasurer.	Daniel A. Phillips, Junior Steward.
Albinus S. Powell, Secretary.	Ebenezer Milner, Tiler.

EVENING STAR LODGE, NO. 49, SUTTON, CLAY COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Second and fourth Thursdays in each month.

SEAL — A five-pointed star, bearing in centre the letter "G," radiant.

OFFICERS.

Robert G. Brown, Master.	Russell G. Merrill, Senior Deacon.
Martin V. B. Clark, Senior Warden.	Allen O. Kendall, Junior Deacon.
Arthur C. Burlingame, Jun. Warden.	Joseph W. Johnson, Senior Steward.
George Honey, Treasurer.	Markis Wittenberg, Junior Steward.
Kersey T. Jones, Secretary.	William T. Pawson, Tiler.

HASTINGS LODGE, NO. 50, HASTINGS, ADAMS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Third Saturday evening in each month.

SEAL — A shield, azure, bearing a chevron (for the square). In chief, a sun; in centre base, a crescent, *argent*. For a crest, the symbol of a M. M. □ *argent*.

OFFICERS.

Fred. J. Benedict, Master.	George W. Mowery, Senior Deacon.
John M. Ragan, Senior Warden.	Edwin A. Boalich, Junior Deacon.
Oswald Oliver, Junior Warden.	Harry B. Borley, Senior Steward.
Charles K. Lawson, Treasurer.	D. C. McKnight, Junior Steward.
John J. Wemple, Secretary.	Thomas M. Abbott, Tiler.

FIDELITY LODGE, NO. 51, DAVID CITY, BUTLER COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before full moon in each month.

SEAL — All-Seeing Eye, radiant, above the square and compasses.

OFFICERS.

Thornton B. Myers, Master.	Benjamin F. Rolph, Senior Deacon.
Osgar G. Burrows, Senior Warden.	Thomas E. Evans, Junior Deacon.
Abel Hill, Junior Warden.	John T. Myers, Senior Steward.
William G. Boston, Treasurer.	Jacob Kleinhn, Junior Steward.
Morris J. Jones, Secretary.	Seth Raymond, Tiler.

HIRAM LODGE, NO. 52, BELL CREEK, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Wednesday on or before full moon in each month.

SEAL — The plumb.

OFFICERS.

John Hammang, Master.	Omar Whitney, Senior Deacon.
Joseph Hammang, Senior Warden.	Henrie Crist, Junior Deacon.
Thomas J. Charles, Junior Warden.	John W. Hamilton, Senior Steward.
John A. Unthank, Treasurer.	William Schulze, Junior Steward.
Samuel G. Glover, Secretary.	Peter Hammang, Tiler.

CHARITY LODGE, NO. 53, RED CLOUD, WEBSTER COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Friday on or before full moon.

SEAL — An open hand.

OFFICERS.

Jacob L. Miller, Master.	John P. Bayha, Secretary.
George W. Ball, Senior Warden.	William H. Strohm, Senior Deacon.
Richard D. Jones, Junior Warden.	Carl F. Kühn, Junior Deacon.
William N. Richardson, Treasurer.	William Parkes, Tiler.

LANCASTER LODGE, NO. 54, LINCOLN, LANCASTER COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—First Friday in each month.

SEAL—A shield, *azure*, bearing a trowel crossed with a gavel. *argent*: for crest, three lengths of a cable-tow and three points, *argent*.

OFFICERS.

Charles H. Willard, Master.	Thomas H. Benton, Secretary.
Charles B. Palmer, Senior Warden.	David B. Howard, Senior Deacon.
Levi M. Hupert, Junior Warden.	Charles A. Roehrig, Junior Deacon.
Theodore S. Ganter, Treasurer.	John McClelland, Tiler.

MOSAIC LODGE, NO. 55, NORFOLK, MADISON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—First Tuesday evening in each calendar month.

SEAL—An heraldic shield, checker, *argent azure*; bordered *argent*, bearing a sheaf of wheat *or*. Crest, figures 5875, alluding to year of charter.

OFFICERS.

William H. Lowe, Master.	George N. Beels, Senior Deacon.
Wm. H. Wideman, Senior Warden.	Charles Eble, Junior Deacon.
John C. Ramsdell, Junior Warden.	Alexander Bear, Senior Steward.
Andrew N. McGinnis, Treasurer.	John S. McClary, Junior Steward.
Frederick E. Hardy, Secretary.	Horace B. Tyrrell, Tiler.

YORK LODGE, NO. 56, YORK, YORK COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—First and third Friday evenings of each month.

SEAL—An heraldic shield, *azure*, bearing, *argent*, a tau cross; beneath, a pair of compasses extended over three points in pyramid, and between a dagger and one point and a square between two points. For crest, letter "G" between 58 and 75.

OFFICERS.

Lee Love, Master.	John E. Carter, Senior Deacon.
David P. Moore, Senior Warden.	Lewis F. Salec, Junior Deacon.
James A. McKillup, Junior Warden.	Stephen S. Baldwin, Senior Steward.
Charles Le Count, Treasurer.	Andrew Rowley, Junior Steward.
Leonidas A. Brandhoefer, Secretary.	James H. Tyson, Tiler.

MT. MORIAH LODGE, NO. 57, SYRACUSE, OTOE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Thursday on or before full of the moon.

SEAL—The square and compasses interlaced with letter "G."

OFFICERS.

Charles B. Page, Master.	Walter E. Page, Secretary.
George W. McKee, Senior Warden.	Jasper K. Griffith, Senior Deacon.
John A. Webber, Junior Warden.	Gaylord H. Thorpe, Junior Deacon.
Josiah Rogers, Treasurer.	William E. Cook, Tiler.

LEBANON LODGE, NO. 58, COLUMBUS, PLATTE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Second Wednesday of each month.

SEAL — An heraldic shield, *argent* quarterly of four, bearing *vert* 1st and 4th, three mountains; 2d and 3d, a cedar of Lebanon. For crest, Grand Master's jewel between figures 58 and 75.

OFFICERS.

Charles A. Speice, Master.	H. P. Coolidge, Senior Deacon.
John D. Brewer, Senior Warden.	J. J. Slattery, Junior Deacon.
Julius Rassmussen, Junior Warden.	John W. Early, Senior Steward.
John P. Becker, Treasurer.	Augustus Lockner, Junior Steward.
John F. Wermuth, Secretary.	Michael Weaver, Tiler.

WAHOO LODGE, NO. 59, WAHOO, SAUNDERS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before full moon and second Saturday thereafter.

OFFICERS.

M. B. Reese, Master.	Jerome Barnell, Senior Deacon.
J. N. Davis, Senior Warden.	M. L. Ellsworth, Junior Deacon.
E. Pickett, Junior Warden.	H. Farnsworth, Senior Steward.
Henry Anderson, Treasurer.	W. G. Keefer, Junior Steward.
S. G. Chaney, Secretary.	J. H. Miller, Tiler.

MELROSE LODGE, NO. 60, ORLEANS, HARLAN COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday evening on or before full moon.

SEAL — Altar with Book of Constitutions, square and compasses, with clasped hands above.

OFFICERS.

David E. Bomgardner, Master.	A. C. Robbins, Senior Deacon.
T. H. Manning, Senior Warden.	Calvin Bowman, Junior Deacon.
Lewis H. Kent, Junior Warden.	A. K. Crawford, Senior Steward.
John H. Olson, Treasurer.	Newell Wickliff, Junior Steward.
H. T. Ferguson, Secretary.	Frederick Switzer, Tiler.

THISTLE LODGE, NO. 61, PLUM CREEK, DAWSON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First and third Saturdays of each month.

SEAL — On a shield *azure*, bordure *argent*, a bunch of three thistles *argent*. For crest, three plates in triangular form.

OFFICERS.

Frank H. Young, Master.	Benjamin F. Krier, Secretary.
James W. Ayres, Senior Warden.	Hanford O. Smith, Senior Deacon.
George Little, Junior Warden.	Henry T. Hedges, Junior Deacon.
Moses H. Parr, Treasurer.	Richard F. James, Tiler.

KEYSTONE LODGE, NO. 62, ST. JOE, HAMILTON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before full moon in each month.

SEAL — A Keystone bearing the square and compasses.

OFFICERS.

Daniel E. Price, Master.	George Wastonby, Senior Deacon.
Alonzo W. Price, Senior Warden.	Edward Dearing, Junior Deacon.
Wm. H. Sampson, Junior Warden.	William J. Ball, Senior Steward.
Albert C. Adams, Treasurer.	Joseph Skelton, Junior Steward.
O. B. Foster, Secretary.	James Allen, Tiler.

RIVERTON LODGE, NO. 63, RIVERTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday night on or before full moon in each month.

SEAL — On a shield *azure*, three squares interlaced, *argent*; bordure of the second. For crest, the Master's square, *argent*.

OFFICERS.

Clarénce C. Chapin, Master.	Sanford R. Razee, Senior Deacon.
John D. Fulton, Senior Warden.	Sidney S. Elder, Junior Deacon.
Alfred B. Stevens, Junior Warden.	Francis M. Plumb, Senior Steward.
Isaac Shepherdson, Treasurer.	McKee Crilly, Junior Steward.
Joel G. Childs, Secretary.	Hugh Crilly, Tiler.

BLUE VALLEY LODGE, NO. 64, WILBER, SALINE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before full moon.

SEAL — An heraldic shield *azure*, bearing within a bordure *argent*, a pot of incense *or*. For the crest, three quarter-notes connected by a bar for M.: M.: degree.

OFFICERS.

William H. Mann, Master.	John W. Wehn, Jr., Senior Deacon.
Steven J. Herman, Senior Warden.	Frank J. Sadilek, Junior Deacon.
Shannon S. Alley, Junior Warden.	John N. Van Duyn, Senior Steward.
Henry Clark, Treasurer.	Paul V. Bartos, Junior Steward.
Oliver H. Smith, Secretary.	George H. Ross, Tiler.

OSCEOLA LODGE, NO. 65, OSCEOLA, POLK COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before full moon.

SEAL — An heraldic shield *azure*, bearing within a bordure *argent*; lightning emanating from the word LUX, *argent*. For crest, the All-Seeing Eye, radiant.

OFFICERS.

H. A. Scott, Master.	A. N. Jay, Secretary.
Samuel Snell, Senior Warden.	J. H. Abbott, Senior Deacon.
Joseph Chilburg, Junior Warden.	W. F. Louger, Junior Deacon.
S. G. Pheasant, Treasurer.	J. Matthews, Tiler.

LIVINGSTONE LODGE, NO. 66, FIRTH, LANCASTER COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First Wednesday on or before the full moon.

OFFICERS.

I. M. Hill, Master.	J. W. Schmidt, Secretary.
Jac Groves, Senior Warden.	N. J. Denniston, Senior Deacon.
W. W. Barnhouse, Junior Warden.	D. Littlejohn, Junior Deacon.
C. Bailey, Treasurer.	O. Evans, Tiler.

EDGAR LODGE, NO. 67, EDGAR, CLAY COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — First and third Saturday nights of each month.

SEAL — A five-pointed star beneath a pen and sword, crossed, between two columns, resting on the Mosaic pavement; above all an eye, radiant.

OFFICERS.

Samuel J. Whitten, Master.	W. Raymond Fuller, Senior Deacon.
Albert B. Canfield, Senior Warden.	Marion Hart, Junior Deacon.
John G. Prosser, Junior Warden.	Charles H. Warren, Senior Steward.
John G. Glazier, Treasurer.	Oliver Croasmun, Junior Steward.
Charles H. Treat, Secretary.	Pliny G. Hayes, Tiler.

AURORA LODGE, NO. 68, AURORA, HAMILTON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — The first and third Saturdays of each month.

SEAL — Sheaf of wheat, with name, number and location of Lodge.

OFFICERS.

F. J. Engle, Master.	J. R. C. Davis, Senior Deacon.
J. S. Miller, Senior Warden.	W. C. Wentz, Junior Deacon.
F. J. Bricker, Junior Warden.	I. H. Glover, Senior Steward.
C. R. Glover, Treasurer.	J. N. Cassell, Junior Steward.
Delevan Bates, Secretary.	S. S. Hayden, Tiler.

FORTITUDE LODGE, NO. 69, ULYSSES, BUTLER COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before full moon in each month.

OFFICERS.

Sumner Darnell, Master.	R. M. Rankin, Secretary.
George Miller, Senior Warden.	Eli B. Jones, Senior Deacon.
Oliver S. Shields, Junior Warden.	William H. Dobson, Junior Deacon.
Robert Reed, Treasurer.	William T. Shields, Tiler.

STERLING LODGE, NO. 70, STERLING, JOHNSON COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Tuesday on or before full moon in each month.

SEAL — Double circle; outer circle, Sterling Lodge, No. 70, A. F. and A. M., Sterling, Nebraska; inner circle, a shield.

OFFICERS.

Alfred Shipman, Master.	John C. Mann, Senior Deacon.
Charles S. Sprague, Senior Warden.	Valentine Zink, Junior Deacon.
William Kneeland, Junior Warden.	John W. Pratt, Senior Steward.
Albert B. Irwin, Treasurer.	John M. Hershey, Junior Steward.
Nelson E. Miller, Secretary.	William W. Borland, Tiler.

TROWEL LODGE, NO. 71, NELIGH, ANTELOPE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday evening on or before each full moon.

SEAL — A trowel, bearing the square and compasses.

OFFICERS.

A. M. Cool, Master.	I. Howell, Senior Deacon.
F. H. Trowbridge, Senior Warden.	Turner Gardiner, Junior Deacon.
H. M. Cox, Junior Warden.	John Maybury, Senior Steward.
J. W. Getchell, Treasurer.	B. A. Trueblood, Junior Steward.
Robert Wilson, Secretary.	D. V. Coe, Tiler.

HOOPER LODGE, NO. 72, HOOPER, DODGE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before the full of the moon.

SEAL — An anchor.

OFFICERS.

James F. Burns, Master.	Charles F. Eiseley, Secretary.
Robert M. Peyton, Senior Warden.	James H. Caldwell, Senior Deacon.
Henry Schwab, Junior Warden.	Edward H. Airis, Junior Deacon.
Oswalt Uehling, Treasurer.	Jacob Schwab, Tiler.

FRIEND LODGE, NO. 73, FRIEND, SALINE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Second Wednesday evening in each month.

SEAL — An hour-glass, surrounded by two sprigs of acacia.

OFFICERS.

Denoice C. Page, Master.	Mathew McDougall, Senior Deacon.
Joseph G. Boynton, Senior Warden.	Henderson Smith, Junior Deacon.
Harley F. Morton, Junior Warden.	F. R. Thompson, Senior Steward.
John V. Ainsworth, Treasurer.	Alex. S. McKay, Junior Steward.
Charles E. Friend, Secretary.	Hugh Seed, Tiler.

ALEXANDRIA LODGE, NO. 74, ALEXANDRIA, THAYER COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Second and fourth Monday in each month.

SEAL—A rough ashlar, bearing the letter "G" and a gavel, with cable-tow.

OFFICERS.

Philip Jenkins, Master.	Heman W. Hubbard, Senior Deacon.
David A. Sherwood, Senior Warden.	George Holes, Junior Deacon.
Charles F. McGrew, Junior Warden.	M. A. Alexander, Senior Steward.
George W. Enslow, Treasurer.	Joseph Pickering, Junior Steward.
George H. Danforth, Secretary.	John F. Lippincott, Tiler.

FRANK WELCH LODGE, NO. 75, SIDNEY, CHEYENNE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—First Tuesday in each month.

SEAL—A bust of Frank Welch, surrounded with the inscription "Frank Welch Lodge, No. 75, A. F. A. and A. M. S., Nebraska."

OFFICERS.

Julius Neubauer, Master.	Robert Shuman, Senior Deacon.
George W. Russell, Senior Warden.	Laurens, Jessen, Junior Deacon.
Robert C. Howard, Junior Warden.	Samuel Q. Fowler, Senior Steward.
Albert B. Persinger, Treasurer.	James McNulty, Junior Steward.
James J. McIntosh, Secretary.	John Anderson, Tiler.

JOPPA LODGE, NO. 76, BLOOMINGTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Friday on or before full moon.

OFFICERS.

William E. Hatch, Master.	Seth S. Pickering, Senior Deacon.
Simon W. Switzer, Senior Warden.	Rufus D. Hastings, Junior Deacon.
William T. Britton, Junior Warden.	Ashley Patch, Senior Steward.
John Hutchinson, Treasurer.	Isma H. Malick, Junior Steward.
Jacob L. Kaley, Secretary.	Samuel Hisey, Tiler.

NELSON LODGE, NO. 77, NELSON, NUCKOLLS COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING—Saturday on or before full moon.

OFFICERS.

M. L. Shermerhorn, Master.	D. A. Gibson, Senior Deacon.
R. Hollingsworth, Senior Warden.	S. H. Moss, Junior Deacon.
J. Ritterbush, Junior Warden.	Jonathan Edmiston, Senior Steward.
E. H. Dowland, Treasurer.	M. C. Long, Junior Steward.
W. A. Scott, Secretary.	Frank Edwards, Tiler.

ALBION LODGE, NO. 78, ALBION, BOONE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before the full moon:

SEAL — A square crossed by a twenty-four inch gauge.

OFFICERS.

Manly B. Boardman, Master.	Henry H. Gillett, Senior Deacon.
Thos. N. Williamson, Senior Warden.	Jacob Widaman, Junior Deacon.
Thomas J. Jennings, Junior Warden.	Henry Emerson, Senior Steward.
Fitz M. Sackett, Treasurer.	William Willott, Junior Steward.
Emil W. Gunther, Secretary.	Peter J. Files, Tiler.

GENEVA LODGE, NO. 79, GENEVA, FILLMORE COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Friday on or before the full of the moon and a fortnight thereafter.

OFFICERS.

Joseph M. Fisher, Master.	Benj. F. Benedict, Senior Deacon.
Sherwood Burr, Senior Warden.	Mark Butler, Junior Deacon.
Geo. P. Winterstine, Junior Warden.	Calvin B. Darrow, Senior Steward.
Julius E. Spear, Treasurer.	Hiram L. Smith, Junior Steward.
Warren C. Massy, Secretary.	William Harrold, Tiler.

WACO LODGE, NO. 80, WACO, YORK COUNTY.

REGULAR MEETING — Saturday on or before the full moon.

OFFICERS.

John S. Bennett, Master.	Ransford C. Swartz, Senior Deacon.
John W. Strickler, Senior Warden.	Joseph Jones, Junior Deacon.
William Keeley, Junior Warden.	William J. Wells, Senior Steward.
William E. McCloud, Treasurer.	Aaron N. Clark, Junior Steward.
Joseph W. Strickler, Secretary.	John J. Evans, Tiler.

RISING LODGE, U. D., RISING, BUTLER COUNTY.

Frederick E. Wilson, Master.	Aurelius Roberts, Senior Warden.
	Joseph L. Cyphers, Junior Warden.

SAINT PAUL LODGE, U. D., SAINT PAUL, HOWARD COUNTY.

Charles M. Carter, Master.	Will M. Macomber, Senior Warden.
	Frank W. Scott, Junior Warden.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, U. D. ., LA PORTE, WAYNE COUNTY.

Charles E. Hunter, Master. Joshua C. Wills, Senior Warden.
Moses Herner, Junior Warden.

FAIRFIELD LODGE, U. D. ., FAIRFIELD, CLAY COUNTY.

Benjamin F. Rawalt, Master. Oliver P. Alexander, Senior Warden.
Kirk J. Willis, Junior Warden.

BLUE SPRINGS LODGE, U. D. ., BLUE SPRINGS, GAGE
COUNTY.

A. Samuels, Master. A. V. S. Saunders, Senior Warden.
C. A. Wessal, Junior Warden.

DONIPHAN LODGE, U. D. ., DONIPHAN, HALL COUNTY

Martin Ennis, Master. Irving M. Cole, Senior Warden.
George H. LaMonte, Junior Warden.

IONIC LODGE, U. D. ., NIOBRARA, KNOX COUNTY.

Benjamin F. Chambers, Master. Solomon Draper, Senior Warden.
J. W. Perkins, Junior Warden.