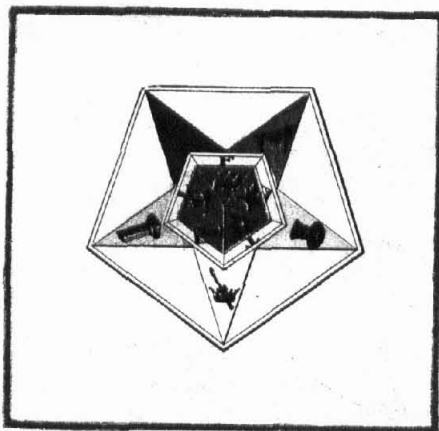


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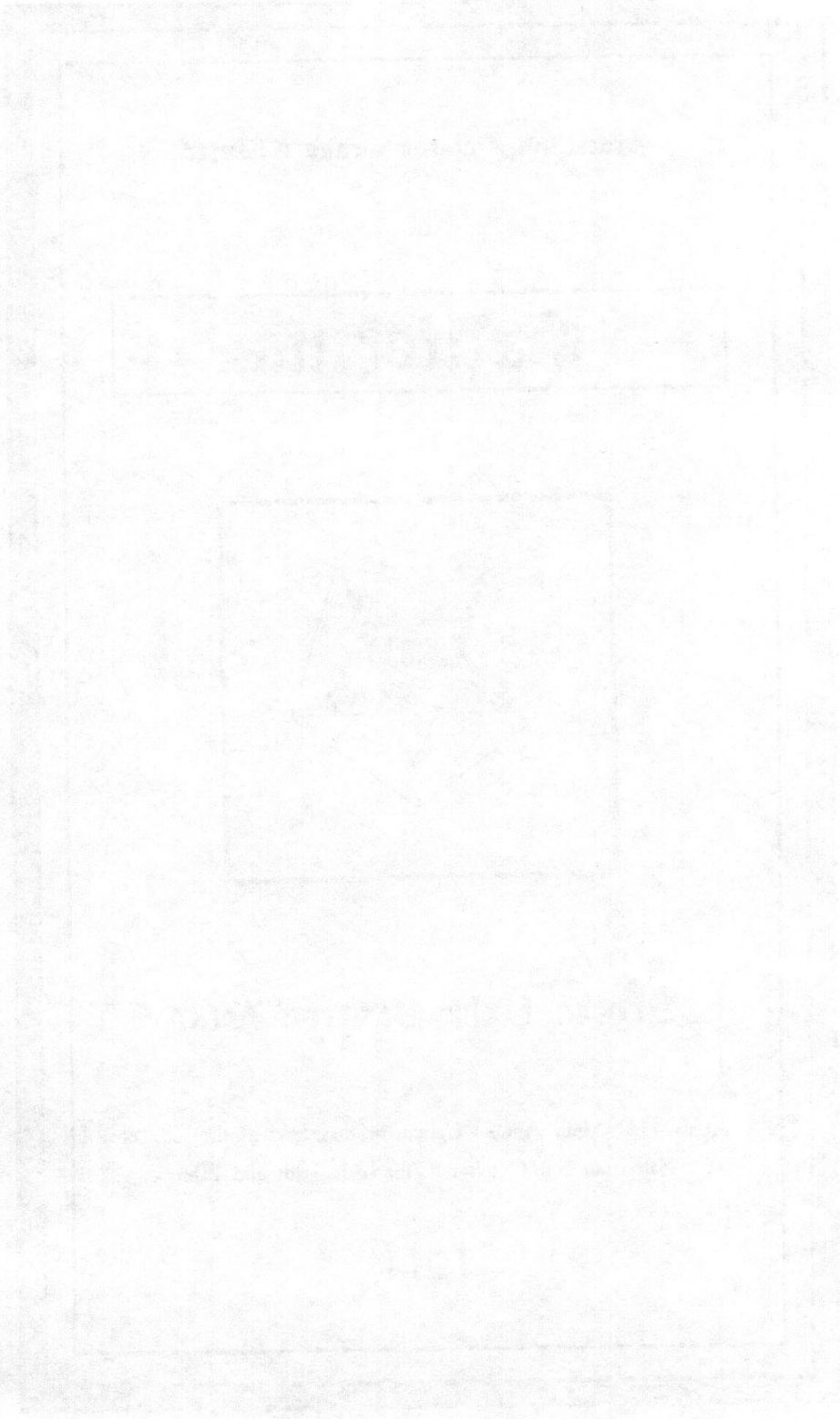
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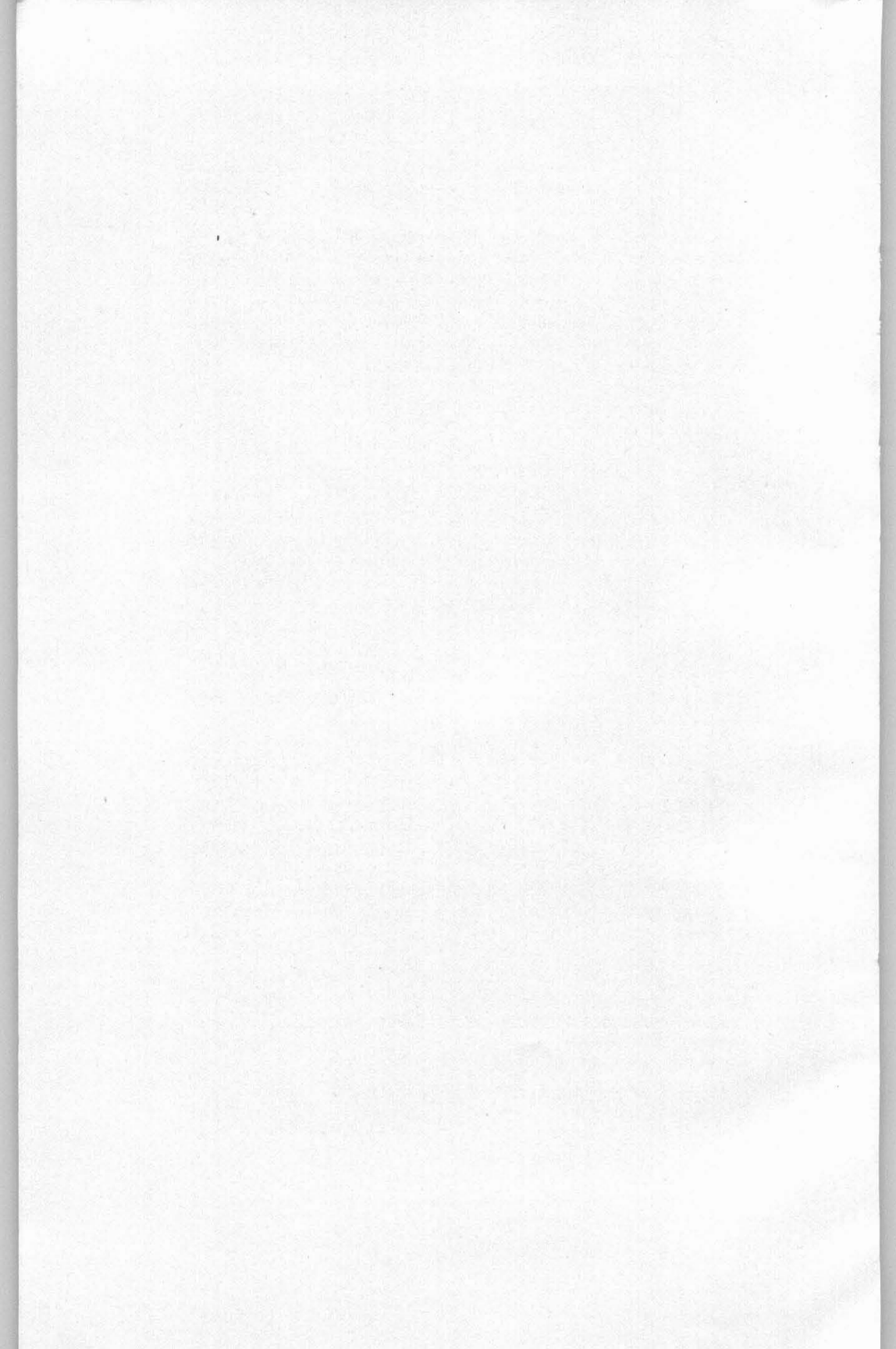
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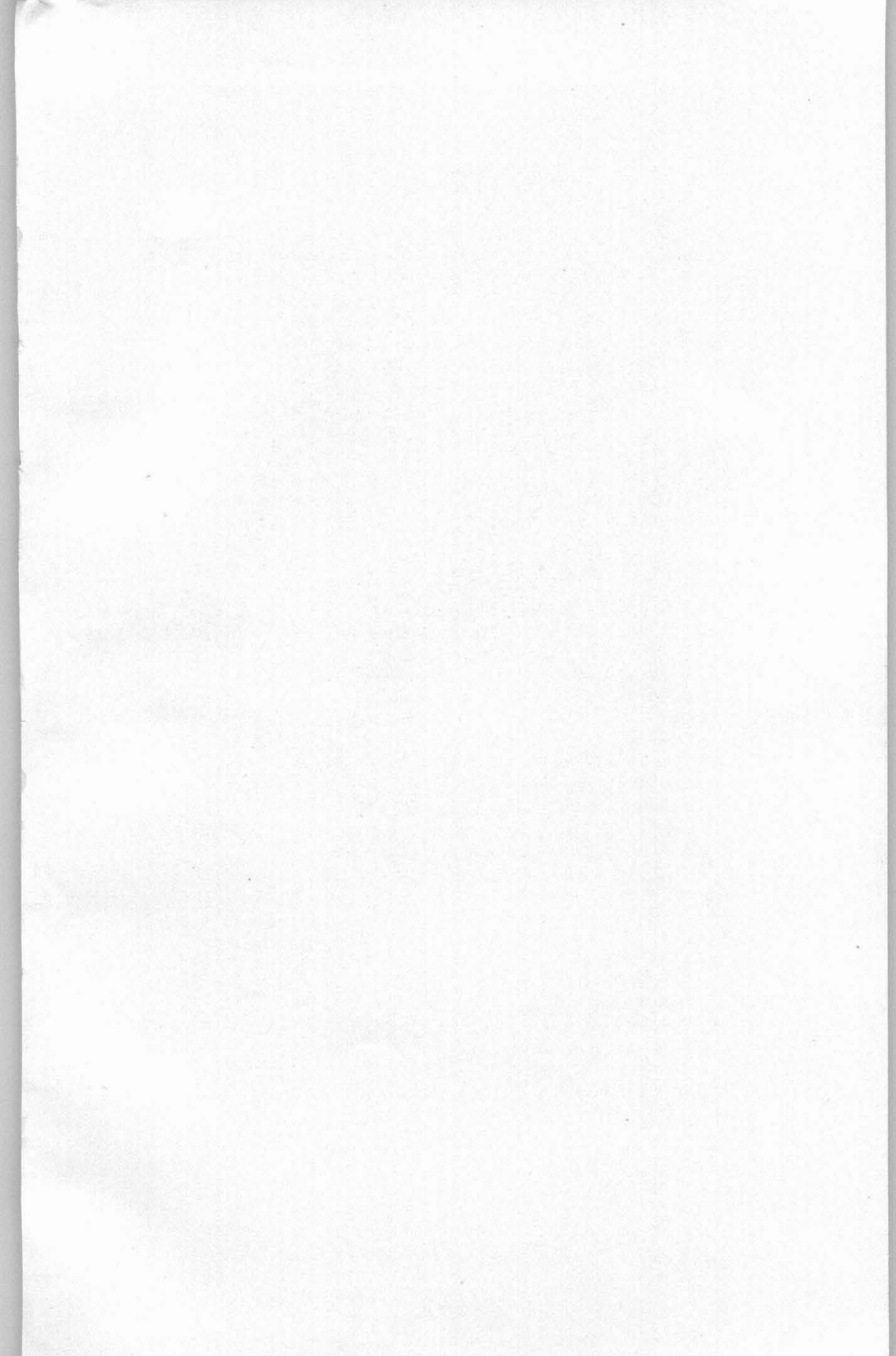
Past Grand Patron





Ada M. Dalton

Past Grand Matron



PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA
OF THE
Order of the Eastern Star

The Grand Chapter of the State of California, Order of the Eastern Star, convened in Thirty-ninth Annual Session in the Ball-room of the Palace Hotel, in the City of San Francisco, on Tuesday, the seventeenth day of October, A. D., nineteen hundred and eleven, at two o'clock P. M. and was called to order by Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns, who directed the Grand Marshal to retire and escort the Grand Officers into the Chapter room. The Grand Officers entering and assuming their respective stations, the Grand Matron seated the Grand Chapter and directed the Grand Secretary to call the roll of Chapters.

There being a Constitutional number of Chapters represented, the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form.

Past Most Worthy Grand Matron Mary Elizabeth Partidge was escorted to the East and received with Grand Honors.

The Grand Matron then handed the gavel to the Grand Patron, who directed the Grand Secretary to call the roll of members. Upon calling the roll there were found present the following:

GRAND OFFICERS.

WILLIAM JOHN MOSSHOLDER.....	Worthy Grand Patron
ADA MARSH DALTON.....	Worthy Grand Matron
WILLIAM ARTHUR HICKS.....	Grand Associate Patron
NELLIE AUGUSTA DARLING.....	Grand Associate Matron
KATE JOSEPHINE WILLATS.....	Grand Secretary
JOSEPHINE MARTHA PATTEN.....	Grand Treasurer
CLEMENTINA ELIZABETH BJICK.....	Grand Chaplain
MIRIAM GARRISON DAVIS.....	Grand Conductress
HELEN ELIZABETH EDWARDS.....	Grand Associate Conductress
LENA WALKER STANNARD.....	Grand Marshal
EPSIE GRACE NUTTING.....	Grand Adah
JESSIE GROVER McNAB.....	Grand Ruth
NELLIE MICHELL.....	Grand Esther
JENNIE MAUDE WAYMAN.....	Grand Martha
EMMA ROGERS.....	Grand Electa
JANE DRIVER.....	Grand Sentinel
FLOY FARMER.....	Grand Organist

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

WILLIAM SCHUYLER MOSES.....	Venerable Past Grand Patron
FRED. WM. GUSTAVE MOEBUS.....	Past Grand Patron
JOHN NELLES YOUNG.....	Past Grand Patron
JOHN HATFIELD GRAY.....	Past Grand Patron
JESSE BEECH FULLER.....	Past Grand Patron
FRED LAWRENCE BUTTON.....	Past Grand Patron
JAMES BESTOR MERRITT.....	Past Grand Patron
GEORGE LOUIS DARLING.....	Past Grand Patron
ERNEST WOODBURY CONANT.....	Past Grand Patron
LYMAN C BYCE.....	Past Grand Patron
FLORIN LESLIE JONES.....	Past Grand Patron
CASIMIR JACKSON WOOD.....	Past Grand Patron
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT.....	Past Grand Patron
ALEXANDER ROSBOROUGH FRASER.....	Past Grand Patron
PHINEAS FANNING FERGUSON.....	Past Grand Patron
SARAH JENNIE MANN.....	Past Grand Matron
FRANCES ELLEN RYDER.....	Past Grand Matron
MARY JOSEPHINE YOUNG.....	Past Grand Matron

ABBIE ELVENIA KREBS	Past Grand Matron
MARY BEAKES MOORE	Past Grand Matron
GERTRUDE SWAIN FREEMAN	Past Grand Matron
MARY ELIZABETH PARTRIDGE	Past Grand Matron
ANNIE ELIZABETH BRIGGS	Past Grand Matron
EVA M PORTER	Past Grand Matron
FANNIE THOMAS MCCOWEN	Past Grand Matron
CLARA ABBOTT GIBERSON	Past Grand Matron
MABEL BOYD SEYMOUR	Past Grand Matron
CHLO ATCHISON ROUTZAHN	Past Grand Matron
PAULINA WETZLAR DOHRMANN	Past Grand Matron
ANNA DREHER DUDDEBAR	Past Grand Matron
ANNIE MARIE JOHNSON	Past Grand Matron
ROSA JOSEPHINE BURNS	Past Grand Matron
ANDREW JACKSON MCPIKE	Past Grand Associate Patron
ARTHUR HILL MILLBERRY	Past Grand Associate Patron
LORENZO BAILEY LEAVITT	Past Grand Associate Patron
CURTIS JEFFERSON MONROE	Past Grand Associate Patron
GEORGE WHEELER EARL	Past Grand Associate Patron
MATTHEW STEWART	Past Grand Associate Patron
HARRY CLAY COOPER	Past Grand Associate Patron
DOCTOR JOHN PADDOCK	Past Grand Associate Patron
EMILIE CARTWRIGHT SWAIN	Past Grand Associate Matron
SARAH CASSIDY	Past Grand Associate Matron
MARY SOPHRONIA MUNNS	Past Grand Associate Matron
ELMIRA FRANCES WEST	Past Grand Associate Matron
KATE ELIZABETH BOYD	Past Grand Associate Matron
MARGARET BELVA SEARLES	Past Grand Associate Matron
LULU LUCAS	Past Grand Associate Matron
AGNES CONANT	Past Grand Associate Matron
CATHARINE ELIZABETH MERRITT	Past Grand Associate Matron
ALICE FRANCES HICKIE	Past Grand Associate Matron
LUCY ANNA CURTIS	Past Grand Associate Matron
KATE JOSEPHINE WILLATS	Past Grand Treasurer
ELLA MARIA HAUN	Past Grand Treasurer
LIZZIE WARDWELL	Past Grand Treasurer
SARAH ISABELLE HUBBARD	Past Grand Treasurer
JANE FRANCES RAABE	Past Grand Treasurer
ADELINE BLOOM RUNYON	Past Grand Treasurer
ANNIE BEAUCHAMP BARNES	Past Grand Treasurer
HELEN SEEMAN	Past Grand Treasurer
MARIE SHERER	Past Grand Treasurer

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS.

ALICIA BETANCUE JACKSON	District No. 1
MAUDE ELLEN DENNEY	District No. 5
ELIZABETH GRINTON	District No. 6
ANNA ELIZABETH HORWEGE	District No. 7
EMILY WOOD FERGUSON	District No. 8
ADDIE MERRICK POWERS	District No. 9
ROSE MAY HATHAWAY	District No. 10
SUE ESTELLE TUCK	District No. 11
DELLA WILSON CLUTE	District No. 12
CHARLOTTE ESTHER JAMISON	District No. 13
BLANCHE DAISY CARY	District No. 14
EMMA BLANCHARD	District No. 16
RHODA ELIZABETH TAYLOR	District No. 19
HATTIE BERTHA MORRISON	District No. 20
LESSIE RAINY HANCOCK	District No. 21
BELLE COFFMAN	District No. 22
ELLA ROBERTS DUNBAR	District No. 23
JENNIE IPSWITCH HALE	District No. 25
ELIZA ANN GRINDLE	District No. 26
MAY FRANCES CARTER	District No. 27
CHRISTENA HARTELL	District No. 28
ARMENIA BOICE PACKER	District No. 29
BIRDIE ROSELLE RICKART	District No. 30
LUCILE IRENE MEAD	District No. 31
PRISCILLA MACNUTT	District No. 32
MARY G. WESTCOTT	District No. 34

And the Officers and Representatives of two hundred and forty-nine chartered Chapters and delegates from ten Chapters under dispensation.

The Grand Matron announced that the Grand Warder, Mildred Amelia Lyke, would be unable to attend the Grand Chapter, owing to her serious illness, and appointed Worthy Matron Effie Hogan Easton, of California Chapter, No. 183, as Grand Warder for the session.

The reading of the minutes of the last annual session of the Grand Chapter was dispensed with, the members having been furnished with printed copies thereof.

Past Grand Associate Patron Harry Clay Cooper presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the daily sessions of the Grand Chapter be held from nine o'clock A. M. to twelve o'clock and from one-thirty to five-thirty o'clock P. M., and evening sessions when ordered.

The following invitation was received:

To the Worthy Grand Matron, Worthy Grand Patron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of California—Greetings:

We, the Matrons and Patrons of the San Francisco Chapters extend a cordial invitation to be present at a ball given by our several Chapters in honor of the Grand Chapter of the State of California and the members of the Order of the Eastern Star, this (Tuesday) evening, October 17, 1911, in the ball-room of the Palace Hotel. Grand March at 9 o'clock.

ALBERTINE HIRSCHFELD,

EFFIE H. EASTON,

Chairman.

Secretary.

Past Grand Matron Mary Elizabeth Partridge announced the death of the husband of Past Grand Matron Augusta Dunn Wilson. The Grand Patron named Sister Partridge as a committee to send a telegram of sympathy from this Grand Chapter to Sister Wilson in her bereavement.

Grand Associate Patron William Arthur Hicks announced the serious illness of Past Grand Treasurer Eliza C. Higgins. The Grand Secretary was directed to send a telegram of cheer and sympathy to Sister Higgins.

The Grand Patron then read to the Grand Chapter his annual address.

ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND PATRON.

*Worthy Grand Matron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter,
of the State of California of the Order of the Eastern Star:*

Time has again called us together in this beautiful metropolis of the Pacific Coast, that the Grand Officers may report to you the result of their year's labors, and that we may legislate, if need be, for the future welfare and prosperity of our beloved Order. It is indeed a great pleasure to again meet with the representatives of the several Chapters throughout this magnificent State,—representatives of about thirty-three thousand of the highest and noblest types of womanhood and manhood of which any land may boast; members who have for their inspiration mountain and valley, field and orchard, bay and ocean, and one of the greatest examples of civic energy and enterprise and thrift that the world has ever known in this new and greater San Francisco. In the rebuilding of this magnificent city, and also in the great work of making California the finest dwelling place for the members of the human family, and in the work of educating, enlightening, elevating and qualifying the people for the highest citizenship, the members of this Order have done and are doing their full share.

I feel that I am more fortunate than my predecessors in this office in having the pleasure and honor of announcing that our Sisters and the other women of California have just been invested with one of the highest prerogatives of citizenship. It is safe to say that there are not less than 24,000 Sisters in the Order in California, and they will cast about one eighth of the entire vote of the State, and I believe that their experience and work in our Order have fitted them for these new duties far beyond the women outside our Order, and that the general public will be greatly benefited by the knowledge thus obtained by our Sisters, and that the women without our Order will find in our Sisters experienced as well as noble co-laborers.

It should be the cardinal aims of this great Order to stand equal to, or greater than, any other organization in the world in fitting men and women for the high duties of citizenship, in teaching the principles of eternal justice, in qualifying its members to become teachers of the ennobling tenets of our Order, to make themselves the leading exponents of the freedom of the human race, and of the annihilation of tyranny and oppression, in banishing ignorance and superstition, and slavery of

the human mind to every long-fettered custom and usage of the Dark Ages. In doing this let it not be a mere service of the lip; let me not leave it for you to do; may you not leave it for me to do; let each do his share, and do it to-day, not to-morrow or next year, but now. Let me here borrow from our esteemed brother, Henry J. Lloyd, a sentiment worth repeating daily, and something that we should practice in our daily lives and intercourse with our fellow-men.

"Be a little less ready to scold and blame;
A little more care for a brother's name;
A broader view and a saner mind,
And a little more love for all mankind;
A little more careful of what we say;
And a little more charity this very day."

Official Acts.

Standing Committees: On October 29, 1910, I appointed the standing and regular committees of the Grand Chapter, the members of which will be found in the proceedings of our last annual session.

Conferring of Degrees at Sight: On November 23d I authorized Past Grand Patron, Brother Alexander R. Fraser, to confer the degrees at sight upon a number of eligible persons at Sierra Madre, for the purpose of organizing a Chapter at that place.

March 1, 1911, I authorized Brother George W. Cummings to confer the degrees at sight upon a number of eligible persons at Perris, for the purpose of instituting a Chapter at that place.

On May 12, 1911 I authorized Past Grand Patron Phineas F. Ferguson to confer the degrees at sight upon a number of eligible persons at South San Francisco, San Mateo County, for the purpose of instituting a Chapter at that place.

A dispensation was also issued authorizing him to institute a Chapter there, to be known as Francis Drake Chapter, but at the request of the petitioners I issued a dispensation permitting the name to be changed to Ruth Chapter.

Dispensations: On November 29, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of Fruitvale Chapter, in Oakland, and on the same day authorized our Grand Matron, Sister Ada M. Dalton, to institute the Chapter, which she did on the 21st day of December, with the following persons as Grand Officers and acting Grand Officers:—

Acting Worthy Grand Patron, William A. Hicks.
Grand Matron, Ada M. Dalton.

Grand Associate Matron, Nellie A. Darling.
Grand Secretary, Kate J. Willats.
Acting Grand Treasurer, Elizabeth W. Combs.
Acting Grand Conductress, Margaret Laufer.
Grand Associate Conductress, Helen E. Edwards.
Grand Chaplain, Mrs. Clementina Bjick.
Acting Grand Marshal, Emma Blanchard.
Acting Grand Adah, Coralie M. Twombly.
Acting Grand Ruth, Frances W. Congdon.
Acting Grand Esther, Matilda M. Martin.
Grand Martha, Jennie M. Wayman.
Acting Grand Electa, Jennie M. Small.
Acting Grand Warder, Theresa J. Strong.
Acting Grand Organist, Edith Edwards.

On December 22, 1910, issued dispensation for the institution of Halcyon Chapter, in Los Angeles, and authorized Past Grand Patron, Brother Ben. B. Cartwright, to institute the same, which he did on the evening of January 10, 1911, with the following Grand Officers and acting Grand Officers:—

Acting Worthy Grand Patron, Ben. B. Cartwright.
Acting Worthy Grand Matron, Elizabeth B. Wheeler.
Acting Grand Associate Matron, Delia Gilman.
Acting Grand Secretary, Sarah B. Thatcher.
Grand Treasurer, Josephine M. Patten.
Acting Grand Chaplain, Emma S. Boyd.
Acting Grand Conductress, Minnie Van Culin.
Acting Grand Associate Conductress, Ophie E. Rice.
Grand Marshal, Lena W. Stannard.
Acting Grand Adah, Lavinia Walkinshaw.
Acting Grand Ruth, Sue M. Ackland.
Acting Grand Esther, Maggie M. King.
Acting Grand Martha, Florence E. Colyear.
Grand Electa, Emma Rogers.
Grand Warder, Mildred A. Lyke.
Acting Grand Organist, Ruth Suffern.
Acting Grand Sentinel, Leona Patten Cartwright.

On January 16, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of Sierra Madre Chapter, at Sierra Madre, Los Angeles County, and authorized Past Grand Patron, Brother A. E. Fraser, to institute the same, which he did on the evening of January 23d, with the following persons acting as Grand Officers:—

Acting Worthy Grand Patron, Alexander R. Fraser.
Acting Worthy Grand Matron, Bertha Z. Nelson.
Acting Grand Associate Matron, Mattie H. Wolff.
Acting Grand Secretary, Elizabeth B. Wagar.
Acting Grand Treasurer, Emeline R. Jillson.
Acting Grand Chaplain, Chlo A. Routzahn.
Acting Grand Conductress, Anna Webster.
Acting Grand Associate Conductress, Rebecca Birbeck.
Acting Grand Marshal, Laura B. Damerel.
Acting Grand Adah, Zura K. Young.
Acting Grand Ruth, Mary C. Stephens.
Acting Grand Esther, Caroline R. Carter.
Acting Grand Martha, Genie B. Taylor.
Acting Grand Electa, Anna Baker.
Acting Grand Warder, Isabelle L. Vawter.
Acting Grand Organist, Fannie Hoyt.
Acting Grand Sentinel, Emily P. Baker.

On February 24, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of a Chapter at La Mesa, San Diego County, which I had the honor of personally instituting on the evening of March 4, 1911, assisted by the following persons acting as Grand Officers:—

Acting Worthy Grand Matron, Georgiana V. Polhamus.
Acting Grand Associate Patron, Gilbert C. Arnold.
Acting Grand Associate Matron, Emma E. Rupp.
Acting Grand Secretary, Louise Heilbron.
Acting Grand Treasurer, Anna E. Kookan.
Acting Grand Chaplain, Jessie A. Doddridge.
Acting Grand Conductress, Priscilla MacNutt.
Acting Grand Associate Conductress, Carrie Doyle.
Acting Grand Marshal, Lotta B. Woodard.
Acting Grand Adah, May W. Lane.
Acting Grand Ruth, Pernecia Landis.
Acting Grand Esther, Mary K. Flint.
Acting Grand Martha, Margaret A. Jewell.
Acting Grand Electa, Agnes H. Johnstone.
Acting Grand Warder, Abbie S. Hitchcock.
Acting Grand Organist, Lucy L. Dannals.
Acting Grand Sentinel, William Kettner.

On February 27, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of Ada Chapter, at Sacramento, and authorized Grand Associate Patron, Brother

William A. Hicks, to institute the same, which he did on March 23d, with the following Grand Officers and Acting Grand Officers:

Acting Worthy Grand Patron, William A. Hicks.
Acting Worthy Grand Matron, Mabel Boyd Seymour.
Acting Grand Associate Matron, Stella Labadie.
Grand Secretary, Kate J. Willats.
Acting Grand Treasurer, Etta Freeman.
Acting Grand Chaplain, Robert Coulter.
Acting Grand Conductress, Laura Fox.
Acting Grand Associate Conductress, Ellen Bowden.
Acting Grand Marshal, Elizabeth Grinton.
Acting Grand Adah, Rosamond Apperson.
Acting Grand Ruth, Mae La Forge.
Acting Grand Esther, Mabel Duden.
Acting Grand Martha, May Lindsay.
Acting Grand Electa, Etta Ruhe.
Acting Grand Warder, Rhoda McDonald.
Acting Grand Organist, Ella Rhoden.
Acting Grand Sentinel, George Dunn.

On April 12, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of Miriam Chapter, at Perris, and authorized Past Grand Matron, Sister Rosa J. Burns, to institute the same, which she did on the evening of April 28, 1911, with the following persons, Grand Officers and Acting Grand Officers:—

Acting Worthy Grand Patron, James Stewart.
Acting Worthy Grand Matron, Rosa J. Burns.
Acting Grand Associate Matron, Florence P. Chapman.
Acting Grand Secretary, Ada L. Grubb.
Grand Treasurer, Josephine M. Patten.
Acting Grand Chaplain, Cordelia A. Bidwell.
Acting Grand Conductress, Lottie Haight.
Acting Grand Associate Conductress, Agnes E. Jackson.
Acting Grand Marshal, Daisy R. Nieman.
Acting Grand Ruth, Bessie B. Andrews.
Acting Grand Adah, Erminia Talmadge.
Acting Grand Esther, Eliza Stewart.
Acting Grand Martha, Helen J. Davidson.
Acting Grand Electa, Emma Rogers.
Acting Grand Warder, Thomas L. Lanier.
Acting Grand Organist, Floy Farmer.
Acting Grand Sentinel, Charles Vermason.

On April 28, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of Golden Chain Chapter, at Oakland, and on the evening of April 29th I had the honor of instituting that Chapter, with the assistance of the following named Grand Officers and Acting Grand Officers:—

Worthy Grand Matron, Ada M. Dalton.
Acting Grand Associate Patron, James B. Merritt.
Grand Associate Matron, Nellie A. Darling.
Grand Secretary, Kate J. Willats.
Acting Grand Treasurer, Margaret Laufer.
Grand Chaplain, Clementina E. Bjick.
Acting Grand Conductress, Emily W. Ferguson.
Grand Associate Conductress, Helen E. Edwards.
Grand Marshal, Lena W. Stannard.
Acting Grand Adah, Albertine Hirschfeld.
Acting Grand Ruth, Elizabeth Combs.
Acting Grand Esther, Maude N. Haven.
Grand Martha, J. Maude Wayman.
Acting Grand Electa, Emma Blanchard.
Acting Grand Warder, Sarah Florentine.
Acting Grand Organist, Laura M. MacDermott.
Acting Grand Sentinel, Mary H. Lewis.

On April 24, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of Bethany Chapter, at Colfax, Placer County, and that Chapter was, on the evening of May 9th, instituted by Grand Associate Patron, Brother William A. Hicks, with the following Grand Officers and Acting Grand Officers:—

Acting Grand Patron, William A. Hicks.
Acting Worthy Grand Matron, Nellie A. Darling.
Acting Grand Associate Matron, Elizabeth Grinton.
Grand Secretary, Kate J. Willats.
Acting Grand Treasurer, Eliza C. Higgins.
Acting Grand Chaplain, C. W. Hoag.
Acting Grand Conductress, Elizabeth M. Marshall.
Acting Grand Associate Conductress, Stella Labadie.
Grand Marshal, Lena W. Stannard.
Acting Grand Adah, Claire N. Hullin.
Acting Grand Ruth, Maude E. Denney.
Grand Esther, Nellie Michell.
Acting Grand Martha, Juliet M. Johnston.
Acting Grand Electa, Maude L. Hicks.
Acting Grand Warder, Amanda Wendt.

Acting Grand Organist, Barbara V. Hansen.
Acting Grand Sentinel, Alexander J. Gardiner.

On May 1, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of Ruth Chapter, at South San Francisco, and authorized Past Grand Patron. Brother Phineas F. Ferguson, to institute the same, which he did on May 12th, with the following named Grand Officers and Acting Grand Officers:—

Acting Worthy Grand Patron, Phineas F. Ferguson.
Acting Worthy Grand Matron, Nellie A. Darling.
Acting Grand Associate Matron, Clara Isabel Colby.
Acting Grand Secretary, Susan M. Willats.
Grand Treasurer, Josephine M. Patten.
Grand Chaplain, Clementina E. Bjick.
Acting Grand Conductress, Emily W. Ferguson.
Acting Grand Associate Conductress, May Frances Carter.
Acting Grand Marshal, Adelaide Hickei.
Acting Grand Adah, Albertine Hirschfeld.
Grand Ruth, Jessie C. McNab. •
Acting Grand Esther, Mary G. Wescott.
Grand Martha, Jennie M. Wayman.
Acting Grand Electa, Emma Blanchard.
Acting Grand Warder, Helen M. Seaman.
Acting Grand Organist, Lessie M. Hancock.
Acting Grand Sentinel, Timothy Bresnan.

On May 30, 1911, issued dispensation for the institution of Lindsay Chapter, at Lindsay, Tulare County, and authorized Past Grand Patron, Brother Jacob Franklin Boller, to institute this Chapter, which he did on June 13, 1911, the following persons acting as Grand Officers:—

Acting Worthy Grand Patron, Jacob F. Boller.
Acting Worthy Grand Matron, Eda Grant.
Acting Grand Associate Matron, Ada B. Templeton.
Acting Grand Secretary, Mary J. Traeger.
Acting Grand Treasurer, Luella M. Boller.
Acting Grand Chaplain, Andrew Leslie.
Acting Grand Conductress, Laura Kenneday.
Acting Grand Associate Conductress, Carmah Hodges.
Acting Grand Marshal, Lena Young.
Acting Grand Adah, Florence Leslie.
Acting Grand Ruth, Maud Leslie.
Acting Grand Esther, Adah White.
Acting Grand Martha, Mabel Gillette.

Acting Grand Electa, Ella Young.
Acting Grand Warder, Emma Shore.
Acting Grand Organist, Edith Horbach.
Acting Grand Sentinel, Joseph Masner.

Special Dispensation: A special dispensation was, on May 22, 1911, issued to Ocean View Chapter, No. 111, to work without a charter, until the next session of the Grand Chapter, its charter having been destroyed or lost, or, for some other cause, could not be found.

Bonds: On January 2, 1911, approved the bond of the Grand Secretary and of the Grand Treasurer.

By-Laws Approved: By-laws of the several Chapters were approved as follows:—

Crystal Lake Chapter, No. 57, October 27, 1910.
Santa Clara Chapter, No. 195, November 14, 1910.
Albert Pike Chapter, No. 284, November 18, 1910.
Lyra Chapter, No. 144, November 19, 1910.
Harmony Chapter, No. 124, November 23, 1910.
Wistaria Chapter, No. 296, November 25, 1910.
Columbus Chapter, No. 117, December 1, 1910.
Carita Chapter, No. 115, December 2, 1910.
Southern Star Chapter, No. 96, December 5, 1910.
Loyalty Chapter, No. 217, December 6, 1910.
San Rafael Chapter, No. 215, December 8, 1910.
Mt. Whitney Chapter, No. 197, December 17, 1910.
Columbia Chapter, No. 247, December 20, 1910.
Fruitvale Chapter, U. D., December 22, 1910.
Elvesta Chapter, No. 293, December 28, 1910.
Albert Pike Chapter, No. 284, January 23, 1911.
Clover Leaf Chapter, No. 130, February 4, 1911.
Pleasanton Chapter, No. 294, February 11, 1911.
Pearl Chapter, No. 147, February 11, 1911.
Los Gatos Chapter, No. 128, February 13, 1911.
Josephine Chapter, No. 104, February 14, 1911.
Fresno Chapter, No. 295, February 14, 1911.
South Pasadena Chapter, No. 272, February 18, 1911.
Haleyton Chapter, U. D., February 20, 1911.
Palm Leaf Chapter, No. 114, March 4, 1911.
Marshall Chapter, No. 86, March 11, 1911.
Amity Chapter, No. 262, March 24, 1911.
Sierra Madre Chapter, U. D., March 24, 1911.

Eschscholtzia Chapter, No. 270, March 28, 1911.
Amo Chapter, No. 280, March 30, 1911.
La Mesa Chapter, U. D., March 30, 1911.
Fresno Chapter, No. 295, March 30, 1911.
Tuolumne Chapter, No. 123, March 30, 1911.
Crystal Chapter, No. 57, April 8, 1911.
Garvanza Chapter, No. 366, April 24, 1911.
Columbus Chapter, No. 117, April 24, 1911.
Amity Chapter, No. 262, April 29, 1911.
Sacramento Chapter, No. 109, May 10, 1911.
Los Gatos Chapter, No. 133, May 22, 1911.
Bothany U. D., May 30, 1911.
Ruth U. D., May 30, 1911.
San Diego Chapter, No. 264, June 10, 1911.
Golden Chain U. D., June 13, 1911.
Ada U. D., June 17, 1911.
Naomi Chapter, No. 36, August 2, 1911.
Amo Chapter, No. 280, August 26, 1911.
California Chapter, No. 183, August 26, 1911.
Keystone Chapter, No. 235, August 26, 1911.
Yolo Chapter, No. 60, August 28, 1911.
Haleyon U. D., September 7, 1911.
Raisina Chapter, No. 89, September 14, 1911.
Lindsay, U. D., September 19, 1911.
Golden Chain U. D., September 20, 1911.
Long Beach Chapter, No. 173, September 27, 1911.
West Gate Chapter, No. 290, October 10, 1911.
Golden Gate Chapter, No. 1, October 12, 1911.

Decisions.

1. November 23, 1910, Grand Associate Patron Hicks wired that ballot in Sacramento Chapter for Secretary was: "Real 32 votes, Herr 24 votes, Geeslin 11 votes, blank 1, and that the Worthy Matron declared Real elected."

In answer I wired as follows: "Constitution of General Grand Chapter and our Grand Chapter require a majority, not a plurality, of all ballots to elect an officer. A blank is not a ballot and is not to be counted. Election illegal, and another election necessary," no candidate having received a majority of all votes cast.

2. Oakland Chapter, No. 140, asked: Is it not a fact that in all matters pertaining to the Order, all Chapters within the new city limits of Oakland have concurrent jurisdiction?

I answer, that Section 12 of Article II of the Constitution answers that question as plainly as I can, that is, they have concurrent jurisdiction to receive applications from persons seeking admission to the Order who reside in such city.

3. Yolo Chapter, No. 60, stated that one of its members, who some time prior had obtained a dimit but was residing in another city where there was a Chapter, desired to re-unite with Yolo and asked if the member could do so.

I answered, yes. A member holding a dimit may affiliate with any Chapter anywhere in the state that will accept him or her as a member. The jurisdiction as to residence applies only to those applying for the degrees, and not to those applying for affiliation.

4. Berkeley Chapter, No. 158 stated that a brother was a member in good standing of Galt Chapter at the time that it surrendered its Charter to the Grand Chapter, and asked how the brother should apply for admission to Berkeley Chapter, and whether it would be necessary for him to again take the degrees.

I replied that by writing to the Grand Secretary she would issue him a dimit on the payment to the Grand Secretary of an amount equal to one year's dues, and when he received such dimit he could apply to or affiliate with any Chapter.

5. Crystal Chapter, No. 57, stated that a Master Mason and his wife applied for admission to, were accepted by and initiated in that Chapter in October, 1896. The Chapter afterward learned that the brother had not been a member of, or in good standing in, a Masonic Lodge since June 28, 1888. Both he and wife applied for dimit, and the Chapter asked whether or not they were entitled to such dimit.

I answered that the Chapter should grant a dimit to the wife for the reason that she was not supposed to know, at the time that she applied for admission to the Chapter, that her husband had to be in good standing in a Masonic Lodge in order to make him eligible. In other words, she was not presumed to know the laws of the Order, but the Committee appointed on her petition was presumed to know the law and since the Committee had approved her petition and accepted her, that she is now a legal member of the Chapter and is entitled to a dimit if she asks it. As to the husband, it is entirely different. He not being in standing in a Masonic Lodge, is not entitled to a dimit. He must first place himself in good standing in some Masonic Lodge, and then he will be entitled to a dimit.

6. Harbor Chapter, No. 174, stated: One of our members did not receive notice of his suspension by the Chapter, and, not knowing he was suspended, sent in all dues to date. What would be the procedure of the Chapter?

I answered: "The Grand Lodge said as follows, in a similar case: 'The Lodge, before allowing any one of its members to be declared suspended for non-payment of dues, should be certain of three things:—

1st. That he has been in fact notified, otherwise he cannot, or should not, be so declared;

2d. That if notified otherwise than by service of notice by the Tyler or other deputy properly deputed for that duty, and he has had a reasonable time within which to show cause why he should not be suspended; and

3d. That he has the ability to pay, and that his neglect is willful, or, at least, culpable, otherwise he ought not to be suspended."

I think that if the circumstances are such as you mention in your letter there apparently was no intention, on the part of the brother, to entirely neglect his Chapter obligations, and I therefore think that such cases afford us an opportunity to extend charity and that the Chapter should re-instate the brother without penalties. I know that there are many Chapters that will resort to all sorts of means to procure members and then apparently, after they are once secured, require strict enforcement of the laws of the Order in excluding them from membership. I have always thought that we should enforce the laws very strictly only in cases where the brother shows, by his actions, that he had no interest whatever in the Order, or, possibly in another case, where the brother has proved to be a very undesirable member and unworthy of the respect and confidence of his Chapter."

7. Golden Gate Chapter, No. 1, asked whether or not, if a member presented a receipt from his Masonic Lodge duly signed, with the seal of the Lodge attached, showing his dues paid in advance, that would be a compliance with Regulation No. 20, requiring every member of the Masonic fraternity holding membership in a Masonic Lodge without the State of California to file with the Secretary of the Chapter a certificate of good standing from his Lodge, etc.

I answered, yes. A receipt for dues is a certificate, and is a sufficient compliance with Regulation No. 20.

8. Brother Besant, a member of Crescent Chapter, No. 165, asked for a dimit from his Chapter. He was not in standing in a Masonic Lodge, but had dimitted from his Lodge in England several years ago, and in his letter stated that he did not expect to affiliate with a Masonic Lodge in this country.

I advised the Chapter that a dimit should not be granted to a brother not in good standing in a Masonic Lodge; that the brother should be excluded from the Chapter until such time as he placed himself in good standing in a Masonic Lodge.

9. Martha Washington Chapter, No. 13, asked if a member of a Chapter who wished to join in a petition for a new Chapter could do so on a certificate that he was in good standing in his Chapter.

I answered, no; that only members holding dimits less than six months old are qualified to sign such petition; and, in addition, the signers who are brothers must also have a certificate or receipt for dues showing them to be in good standing in a subordinate Masonic Lodge. See decisions 229 and 234, and Section 1, Article XVII, Constitution of General Grand Chapter, and decision of our Grand Lodge, Volume 13, page 182.

10. Orient Chapter, No. 177, stated that a young lady, the daughter of a deceased Master Mason, who was in good standing at the time of his death, had been thereafter legally adopted by a man not a Mason; and asked if she was eligible to membership in our Order?

I answered, yes. If she was the daughter of a Master Mason who was in good standing in a Masonic Lodge at the time of his death, the fact that she was thereafter legally adopted by a man not a Mason did not cause her to lose the status of being a daughter of her father, a Mason in good standing at the time of his death. Further, that she was adopted when she was a minor and that her adoption was a matter over which she had no control, and was no act of hers, but of one of her parents.

11. A District Deputy asked the following question: Can a sister, belonging to a Chapter in the State of Washington, apply for affiliation with a Chapter in California without first obtaining a dimit from her Chapter in Washington?

I answered, yes. She should procure a legal certificate from her Chapter showing that she is in good standing in her Chapter, present that certificate with her petition for affiliation to the California Chapter, and, if elected, then obtain a dimit from her own Chapter and on filing such dimit and signing the By-Laws of the California Chapter, she becomes a member thereof.

12. Eschscholtzia Chapter, No. 270, asked if that Chapter has authority to purchase stock in a building being erected by the Masons and Odd Fellows of Coalinga, in which the Chapter would have a home.

I answered that there is nothing in our laws to prevent it, providing that there are sufficient funds in the Treasury of the Chapter, not

needed for the general purposes of the Chapter, to pay for the entire amount of stock subscribed for, but that the Chapter would not have any authority to levy an assessment on the members for such purpose, and that such action would be illegal unless there were ample funds in the treasury to pay for the stock at the time of the passage of the resolution, or coming in from the usual sources of the Chapter, and that notice in writing should be given to every member of the Chapter, notifying the members at what stated meeting of the Chapter the resolution would be placed before the Chapter.

13. Marguerite Chapter, No. 78, stated that the officers of that Chapter were very desirous of elaborating on the entrance march of the officers into the Chapter, and asked if the laws or regulations of the Ritual Committee, adopted by the Grand Chapter, would permit.

I answered that no Chapter has authority to in any way change or elaborate on the entrance ceremony; that the entrance work had been adopted by the Ritual Committee, and approved by the Grand Chapter; that the Grand Chapter had been trying for years to get the work as uniform as possible and that if one Chapter were permitted to perform the work one way, another would have the right to do it another way, and soon the utmost confusion would prevail instead of the uniformity so much desired by the Grand Chapter.

14. A number of applications have come from cities where Chapters already exist, asking to have the degrees conferred at sight upon persons eligible to membership in the Order, for the purpose of instituting another Chapter.

To all of these I replied that Section 9 of Article I of the Constitution empowers the Grand Patron to delegate authority to confer the degrees at sight upon a sufficient number of worthy persons *in towns and cities where no Chapter exists* for the purpose of organizing a new Chapter, but that the Grand Patron has no authority to issue a dispensation for such purpose in a city where Chapters already exist, for the reason that all persons in such city, eligible to membership in the Order, may apply to one of the Chapters in existence in such city and receive the degrees, and that therefore there is no necessity of the Grand Patron stepping in and trespassing upon the jurisdiction, privileges and rights of those organized Chapters. It is only in places where no Chapter exists, and where the persons eligible to membership in the Order have not an opportunity to receive the degrees without going a great distance, or perhaps being at unusual expense, to obtain the degrees, that such authority may be exercised by the Grand Patron.

15. Crown Chapter, No. 62, stated that, owing to a rainstorm, at its stated meeting there was no brother present to act as Patron, and asked if the meeting were legal.

I answered that the Grand Chapter had decided that business, other than conferring the degrees, might be transacted without a Patron in the chair; that the practice has always been condemned, and should never be permitted except in extreme cases, and I therefore approved the action of the Chapter, since it was general business, rather than have the Chapter again transact the same business, but suggested that the Chapter do not again take such a risk; that only in an extreme case should the facts warrant a Chapter in holding such a meeting, and that, in approving the action of the Chapter on this occasion, it was not to be taken as a precedent, and that Chapters in the future should not attempt to transact business without a Patron, or when a Patron could not be procured. See Ritual, page 3.

16. Acacia Chapter, No. 21, was requested by Peninsular Chapter, No. 65, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, to confer the degrees upon a Mrs. Luff. It appears from correspondence furnished me that Mrs. Luff for several years resided in Los Angeles County, California, but was temporarily in Michigan, visiting with friends, for a few weeks, and while there applied to Peninsular Chapter for the degrees, and was elected. Before she received the degrees she returned to California, and then Peninsular Chapter asked Acacia Chapter to confer the degrees upon Mrs. Luff for Peninsular Chapter. It further appears that Mrs. Luff for several years prior to her trip to Michigan had been a resident, property owner and tax payer in Alhambra, California. She gave her residence as Los Angeles, California.

Upon these facts being communicated to me, I wrote Acacia Chapter as follows: It appears from the information given me that, Alhambra Chapter has exclusive jurisdiction to receive the petition of Mrs. Luff. The Chapter nearest the residence of the applicant is made the Chapter to which an applicant must apply, for the reason that the members of that Chapter are presumed to be better informed as to the moral standing and fitness of the applicant to become a member of the Order than are the members of Chapters more distant from her place of residence. Assuming that the facts given me are correct, you are instructed to say to your Chapter that it has no right or authority to confer the degrees upon Mrs. Luff, as requested by Peninsular Chapter, and should state all of the facts very fully, correctly and impartially to that Chapter. It may be, and probably is, that Mrs. Luff is not familiar with the laws and regulations of our Order. In fact, she is not expected

to be, therefore she may not have intended any wrong or deception whatever.

17. Angels Chapter, No. 134, asked if a Chapter has authority to expend any of its moneys for the purpose of purchasing flowers or a floral piece to present to a person who is not a member of the Order?

I answered, no.

18. Unity Chapter, Oakland, asked if Past Officers could open a Chapter and confer the degrees if the regular officers were present?

I answered that, the regular officers being present, past officers could perform the opening ceremony, initiatory work, and closing ceremony, except that the Worthy Matron must declare the Chapter opened and must declare it closed, no other officer being authorized to perform that function when she is present.

19. Escondido Chapter, No. 154, asked if a Mason's step-daughter is eligible to receive the degrees.

I answered, no; not unless she were legally adopted by him.

20. A Los Angeles Chapter asked if the Worthy Matron of a Chapter has authority to appoint a Marshal to install the officers at the date of the regular installation, if the Marshal of the Chapter is willing to act.

I answered, no. It is the duty of the Marshal to perform all of the functions of her office, and the Worthy Matron cannot deprive her of such right or duty.

21. Olive Branch Chapter, No. 169, asked if a half sister of a brother Mason is eligible to receive the degrees of the Order?

I answered, yes; if the half sister had either the same father or the same mother as the brother Mason, she is eligible; that is, if she is a half sister by blood and not by marriage.

22. At the time of the official visit of our Worthy Grand Matron to Miguelito Chapter, No. 176, at Lompoc, on September 12th, a brother was initiated, and during an intermission the brother remarked to the Grand Matron that that was the second time that he had been initiated. The Worthy Grand Matron was surprised, and asked him to explain. He informed her that he had received the degrees in Montana; that he had not attended his Chapter often and finally left Montana, and that he had heard that his Chapter had surrendered its Charter and he presumed that he was suspended for non-payment of dues. These facts were communicated to me by the Grand Matron.

I immediately wrote Miguelito Chapter that it must not permit the brother to visit the Chapter, or recognize him as a member of the Order until he should pay up his dues and obtain a dimit either from his Chapter or, if it had surrendered its Charter to the Grand Chapter,

then from the Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter of Montana, for the reason that he might, at the time that he petitioned Miguelito Chapter, have owed \$25 or \$30, to the Montana Chapter, and that Miguelito Chapter would be doing a wrong by permitting him to receive the degrees for a much smaller sum, and in that way place himself in standing in the Order. I also wrote the brother that it would be improper and unlawful for him to visit any Chapter, and advised him of the course that it was necessary for him to pursue to place himself in good standing in the Order. He replied in a very courteous manner, and said that immediately on receipt of my letter he had taken the proper steps to obtain a dimit from Montana; that he was sorry that he had caused the Chapter or its officers any trouble. Miguelito Chapter also notified me that the brother had taken the steps indicated in his letter.

23. A sister was suspended for non-payment of dues by Suisun Chapter, No. 2. Afterward she paid the Chapter, and it accepted \$15, in full payment of all dues, and restored her to standing. She then applied for a dimit and the Chapter refused to grant it until she should sign the By-Laws. She was then residing in another city where there was a Chapter, with which she desired to unite.

I instructed the Chapter that she having once signed their By-Laws, it was not necessary for her to again sign them, and that it was the duty of the Worthy Matron to order the dimit issued, and that the Chapter has nothing to say as to whether or not a dimit shall be granted, unless a recommendatory certificate is also included in the dimit, which certificate can only be granted by the Chapter.

24. A Chapter wrote me that a brother was to take the third degree of Masonry on Monday night, October 9, 1911, and asked if he might legally sign a petition for the degrees of our Order on October 5th, four days before the time he was to receive his third degree of Masonry.

I answered, no; that only Master Masons are eligible to receive the degrees, or petition for the same.

25. Pasadena Chapter, No. 108, stated that a proposition to amend its By-Laws was made in writing at a regular meeting of the Chapter, and the brother presenting the written amendment gave verbal notice that he would, at the next stated meeting, bring the matter before the Chapter for action, which was done. The Worthy Matron asked if the notice of the brother that he would, at the next stated meeting, ask the Chapter to pass upon the By-Law, had to be in writing.

I answered, no; the law does not require the notice to be in writing. All that was required was that the amendment presented be in writing,

that it lie over not less than two weeks, and be acted upon at a subsequent stated meeting.

26. Del Norte Chapter, No. 149, stated that its Worthy Matron had resigned and moved out of the jurisdiction of the Chapter, and asked if the Associate Matron was eligible to be elected Matron if the Chapter desired her.

I answered, yes; the Associate Matron might be elected Matron; that after her election she should resign as Associate Matron, the Chapter could then accept her resignation and she could accept the position of Worthy Matron.

27. A Chapter wrote me: "We have in our Chapter two members who have been posing as man and wife for the last eighteen years. It has been recently proven that they are not legally married. What procedure is necessary to have them expelled from the Order?"

I answered that charges in writing should be presented to the Chapter, and then follow the steps authorized by Article VII of the Constitution.

28. Acacia Chapter, No. 21, presented the following facts: That Chapter balloted upon a petition, and the ballot not being clear, the Worthy Matron ordered a second ballot, and the candidate was declared rejected. During an intermission of the Chapter, one of the members, addressing the Worthy Matron, stated that she feared she had made a mistake and had voted a cube when she did not intend to. The Worthy Matron asked whether or not another ballot might be had.

I answered, no; that it would have to take the same course of all other rejections.

29. Our Grand Treasurer, Sister Josephine M. Patten, asked the following question: Under the heading "Reports of Committees," when the Worthy Matron says, "that the report of the Committee on Mr. Blank is favorable, and if there be no objection the Committee will be discharged and the applicant balloted for," is it proper for a member of the Chapter, at this time, to arise and object to a ballot and, if so, does this prevent a ballot and cause a return of the petition to the applicant?

I answered, no. The only objection that can be made at this stage is to the jurisdiction of the Chapter to entertain the petition. That is, that the applicant has not been a resident of the State the required length of time, or that the objector knows that the applicant, if a brother, is not in standing in a subordinate Masonic Lodge, or, if a woman, that she is under 18 years of age, or something that goes to show that the applicant is a person whose application the Chapter cannot legally receive at that time. No objection to the moral qualifica-

tions or fitness of the candidate can be raised in that manner. Our laws provide how an objection may be made upon the grounds last stated.

30. A Chapter stated: Our Matron will be married before our next meeting, and leave the State to make her home elsewhere. She has quietly appointed a Past Matron to fill the Matron's chair during her absence, as she terms it, as she has not resigned. We desire to know whether she has the power to appoint a Past Matron to fill the Matron's chair so long as the Associate Matron is present and willing to act?

I answered, no. In the absence of the Worthy Matron from any cause whatever, it is the duty and privilege of the Associate Matron to preside. If she does not desire to do so she, and not the Worthy Matron, may call some sister to the chair to preside.

31. East Gate Chapter, No. 225, stated that a husband and wife who were residing in Alhambra wished to unite with East Gate Chapter, and asked if East Gate had any right to receive their petition?

I answered, no; not unless Alhambra Chapter, or the Chapter within whose jurisdiction the parties resided, should consent. One Chapter has no right whatever to receive a petition from a person within the jurisdiction of another Chapter. This applies, of course, only to Chapters outside of cities where there is more than one Chapter.

32. Lily of the Valley Chapter, No. 18, stated that Sister Dresser acted as Worthy Matron of that Chapter from the date of her installation, on December 1, 1910, to June 1, 1911, and asked if she was entitled to the honors of a Past Matron.

I answered, yes; and that she should be so reported to the Grand Secretary.

33. A Los Angeles Chapter asked the following question: Is a member deprived of the privilege of voting in his Chapter where he is more than six months in arrears for dues, but not suspended or expelled or in any other way disqualified?

I answered, no. A member may be several years in arrears for dues, and still be in good standing if the Chapter takes no action to suspend such member. The fact that the Chapter takes no action in such a case is equivalent to the Chapter saying to the member that it does not desire to enforce the penalties prescribed by Section 14 of Article II of the Constitution.

34. The following facts were presented: A Chapter met and opened regularly on its stated meeting night. Then it proposed to surrender the chairs to the officers of another Chapter in the same city, and the

second Chapter was to then, without first opening that Chapter, proceed to confer the degrees upon a candidate duly elected by it, the second Chapter. I refused permission. A Chapter must regularly open before it can confer the degrees, and it cannot go into another Chapter that has properly opened and confer the degrees on one of its own candidates or transact any business of its own Chapter without first regularly opening.

35. A Chapter stated that one of its members who had been suspended for non-payment of dues for a number of years, tendered to the Chapter \$25, and asked to be reinstated. This amount was less than the amount due the Chapter, but the Chapter accepted it in lieu of the full amount, and, on a ballot being taken, it was found not to be unanimous. The Chapter therefore asked whether or not the money paid by the brother should be returned to him.

I answered, no; for the reason that the sum of \$25 had been agreed upon by both parties and was in lieu of the full amount due, and the brother was therefore restored to standing in the Order but not to membership in the Chapter, and was entitled to a dimit as provided in Section 14 of Article II of the Constitution; that he could visit Chapters during the succeeding six months, and really enjoy all of the privileges of membership except speaking or voting in a Chapter.

36. A Chapter asked: Is a brother who holds a dimit over six months old qualified to sign a petition for a dispensation for the institution of a new Chapter if he pays in six months' dues for the new Chapter?

I answered, no. Section 9, Article I, of the Constitution, provides that the Grand Patron may grant a dispensation on the petition of not less than nine nor more than thirty members of the Order in good standing. I am of the opinion that signing a petition for a new Chapter does not restore such person to good standing. When decision No. 221 was made our Grand Lodge of Masons had not passed upon the question, but has since held that the signing of such a petition does not restore the signer to good standing. That decision establishes the law for this Grand Chapter. (See Volume XIII, page 182, of California Grand Lodge Proceedings, and Section 1 of Article XVII of the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter.)

37. Several Chapters have asked how to proceed under the following circumstances: When the Matron examines the ballot and says, "The ballot being clear in the East," etc., and some one rises and asks her to re-examine the ballot to see whether or not it is in fact clear. At this time the Worthy Matron should ask the Worthy Patron to also examine

the ballot before she destroys it so that there may be no question as to whether the ballot is clear or otherwise.

38: Several Chapters have written asking the construction of the regulation that ten per cent of the general fund may be used for the purchase of jewels for the Matron and Patron and asking whether or not it means ten per cent of the amount in the general fund at the meeting of the Chapter at which an amount is set aside by the Chapter for such purpose. The law says ten per cent of the general fund, and that means the whole general fund; and it may include ten per cent of the amount of the general fund taken in during the year from one regular election night to the election night in the following year.

School of Instruction: On December 30th and 31st, 1910, I had the pleasure of attending a School of Instruction in Los Angeles, held by the Worthy Grand Matron for the benefit of the Deputies in the southern part of the State, at which meeting there were a large number of Matrons of the surrounding Chapters in attendance.

In Memoriam: On February 21st I received the news of the death of Past Grand Associate Patron, Brother Benjamin A. Plant, who for many years was Chairman of the Committee on Transportation. He performed the duties of that office, as he did all of his work, with great care and painstaking, and with entire satisfaction to the Grand Chapter. Brother Plant was of a very genial and lovable disposition, and a stranger, on meeting him, was so impressed with his extreme sincerity that he at once became a friend. The Committee on Necrology will present to you the full particulars of Brother Plant's last days with us.

Visitations: On February 2nd I had the pleasure of attending a joint meeting, reception and ball of Ocean Park Chapter, No. 245, and Santa Monica Chapter, No. 113, held at Ocean Park, in honor of the Worthy Grand Matron and myself. There was a large attendance and, to me, the occasion was one of the most enjoyable events of my year. Sister Josephine M. Patten, Grand Treasurer; Sister Lena W. Stannard, Grand Marshal; Sister Emma Rogers, Grand Electa, and Sister Mildred A. Lyke, Grand Warder, were present, as were also Past Grand Matrons Sisters Chlo A. Routzahn and Rosa J. Burns, and Past Grand Patrons Alexander R. Fraser and Benjamin B. Cartwright.

On March 29th I had the pleasure of attending a reception and ball in Los Angeles, given by the seventeen Chapters of that city to the Worthy Grand Matron and myself, at which meeting there were also present a large number of our Grand Officers, Past Grand Officers, and Matrons and Patrons of surrounding Chapters. The meeting was one of the largest that I have attended in the State, and in its warmth of welcome was typical of the hospitality and generosity of the sisters and

brothers of that beautiful metropolis of Southern California. The exquisite and costly presents to the Worthy Grand Matron and myself upon that occasion consisted of chests of silver, which will go down into our families as heirlooms from the sisters and brothers of those Chapters. Voluminous as our language is, on this occasion we were unable to find words adequate or satisfactory to us to express our appreciation of the noble and generous impulses that prompted the members of these Chapters to do so much to make our year a most enjoyable one.

I also accompanied our Worthy Grand Matron on her official visits to the following Chapters: A joint meeting of San Diego Chapter, No. 264 and Southern Star Chapter, No. 96, March 16th; Escondido Chapter, No. 154, March 17th; Poinsettia Chapter, No. 287, March 18th; Hermosa Chapter, No. 105, March 20th; California Chapter, No. 183, April 15th; San Francisco Chapter, No. 196, April 17th; Berkeley Chapter, No. 178, April 18th; Carita Chapter, No. 115, April 19th; Golden Gate Chapter, No. 1, April 21st; Mission Chapter, No. 155, April 22nd; Olive Branch Chapter, No. 169, April 24th; Ivy Chapter, No. 27, April 25th; Jewel Chapter, No. 238, April 26th; Amo Chapter, No. 280, April 26th; Oak Leaf Chapter, No. 8, April 27th; Silver Star Chapter, No. 3, April 28th; Amity Chapter, No. 262, October 9th; Clover Leaf Chapter, No. 130, October 10th; Los Ceritos Chapter, No. 234, October 11th; Albert Pike Chapter, No. 284, October 12th; Mission Chapter, No. 155, October 14th.

I also visited the following named Chapters at times other than those of the official visits of the Worthy Grand Matron: Sunset Chapter, No. 216, April 12th; Marguerite Chapter, No. 78, May 2nd; La Mesa Chapter, U. D., June 20th; Parnassus Chapter, No. 269, August 3d; Garvanza Chapter, No. 266, September 5th, and Palestine Chapter, No. 210, September 21st, at which time all of the chairs, except that of the Patron were filled by the Matrons of the Los Angeles Chapters.

Early in the year the Chapters in my home city of San Diego, under the chairmanship of Past Grand Matron Georgiana V. Polhamus, gave a reception and entertainment in my honor, which was largely attended by the members of the Order in that part of the State, at which time an elegant piece of silver was presented to me, with the esteem and good will of the officers of the Chapters; and Worthy Matrons Louise C. Heilbron and Jessie A. Doddridge have been extremely solicitous and watchful and have permitted no opportunity to pass unnoticed where anything could be done to make my year more pleasant, interesting and memorable.

Appointments to Fill Vacancies: On August 19th I accepted the resignation of Past Grand Matron, Sister Maud E. Bowes, from the

Committee on Necrology, and appointed Past Grand Matron, Sister Fannie T. McCowan to the vacancy in the chairmanship of that Committee.

On August 19th I appointed Past Grand Patron Benjamin B. Cartwright to the chairmanship of the Mileage Committee.

I received a letter from Past Grand Patron Charles J. Willett, chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, written from Lucerne, Switzerland, informing me that he would not be present at this session of the Grand Chapter, and I have therefore appointed Past Patron Arthur McArthur Seymour to the chairmanship of the Committee on Jurisprudence to fill the place of Brother Willett.

Miscellaneous: Early in the year I asked our Grand Secretary to send letters to the Worthy Matrons of the several Chapters of the State, calling their attention to General Regulation No. 20, passed at the last session of the Grand Chapter, to the effect that from and after January 1, 1911, it would be necessary for every brother who was a member of a Subordinate Lodge without the State of California to file with the Secretary of his Chapter a certificate, showing him to be a member, in good standing, of a subordinate Masonic Lodge. That regulation of the Grand Chapter has been of great benefit to the Order, as well as to Masons generally throughout the State, by causing brothers holding membership in Lodges without the State of California to show themselves in standing in the Masonic Order so that they might hold membership in the Eastern Star.

Recommendations.

1. That the third paragraph from the bottom of page 21 of the Constitution be added to Section 1 of Article V of the Uniform Code of By-Laws. The paragraph reads as follows: "Nor shall a Chapter receive an application for affiliation from any person who has not been a member of any Chapter for more than six months preceding such application, unless the applicant shall pay to the Chapter six months' dues in addition to the affiliation fee."

Section 1 of Article V of the Uniform Code of By-Laws is, in a sense, in conflict with the provisions of the Constitution just quoted in not requiring six months' dues in addition to the affiliation fee, and therefore probably the by-laws of nine-tenths of the Chapters of this State do not comply with that provision of the Constitution.

2. We have in our Grand Chapter, at the present time, a membership equal to the population of many Western States, and the labors of the

Grand Secretary's office have increased so tremendously that our Grand Secretary and Assistant Grand Secretary are required to give their entire time and attention to the work of that office, even requiring a great part of Sundays and holidays in order to keep the work up where it should be, and attend promptly to the correspondence of that office. Much of the work of that office is valueless unless attended to promptly. From a few Chapters, some years ago, the Order has become so large and numerous that the late years have thrown a large increase of work upon that office. Furthermore, the duties of the Grand Secretary's office require persons of peculiar skill and adaptability to those duties, and any one to fill that office as it ought to be filled, should have an unusual knowledge of the customs, rules and regulations of the Order, and be familiar with its laws and decisions. During the last year I have learned that our Grand Secretary and her assistant possess a comprehensive knowledge of the rules, customs and regulations, and even of the laws of the Order, all of which is of great value and assistance to the Grand Officers, as well as to all of the Chapters of the State.

I believe that the present salary of the assistant is entirely out of proportion to the duties and labors required of her, and I therefore call the attention of the Grand Chapter to this matter, and especially the attention of the Committee on Finance, and recommend that the salary of the Assistant Grand Secretary be increased so that it will be something like a commensurate and adequate compensation for the duties and work performed by her for the members of this Grand Chapter and the several Subordinate Chapters.

3. During my year of office many, I may truly say hundreds, of questions have been asked the Grand Patron concerning the construction of the Constitution and laws of our Order. These questions can mostly be answered by reference to the Constitution and they are generally so answered by the Grand Patron. Only those that are supposed to be of prime importance to the members throughout the State are reported by the Grand Officers in their decisions, for the reason that it would make entirely too voluminous a report to set forth all of them.

But the Constitution has to be interpreted, and while passing through the offices the Worthy Grand Matrons and Worthy Grand Patrons become familiar with all the provisions of the Constitution and with the decisions of the Grand Chapter, and gain a fund of knowledge that make them valuable members of and to the Grand Chapter. They should attend all of the sessions of the Grand Chapter so that the Grand Chapter may have the benefit of their long and varied experience in its affairs. The Grand Lodge of Masons and Grand Chapter of Royal Arch

Masons, and the Grand Commandry of Knights Templar of this State have learned that it is very important to have their Past Grand Officers present at all of the annual convocations of those Grand bodies, in order that they might have the benefit of the experience and knowledge of these officers; therefore, these Grand bodies have placed upon the pay rolls of those Grand bodies the Past Grand Masters of the Grand Lodge, the Past Grand High Priests of the Grand Chapter and the Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandry, in order that the mileage of those officers may be paid and that the Grand bodies might be more sure and certain of securing the attendance of those Past Grand Officers at the annual convocations. Those regulations have now been in force several years, and have proved to be of great value to those Orders.

I therefore recommend that the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of this Grand Chapter be placed upon the pay roll with the Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter.

4. That all receipts for dues shall be printed under the supervision of and issue from the office of the Grand Secretary, and shall be similar in form and substance to the receipts for dues issued by the Grand Lodge of Masons of California under a resolution of that body adopted October 16, 1908. The Secretary of every Subordinate Chapter shall attach the seal of such Chapter to all receipts before delivering the same. Receipts for dues as now issued by many Subordinate Chapters are of little or no value outside of the Chapter issuing the same, for the reason that they are in all manner of shapes and forms, and often do not have the seal of the Chapter attached. It is often difficult to ascertain from the receipt to what date, or for what time the member's dues are paid, and little evidence of whether or not the member is in good standing.

5. That where the candidate is a Mason, the following form shall be printed on all reports of committees on applications for the degrees, or for affiliation, viz:—

REPORT.

Having made a strict and careful examination, I hereby report..... favorably. I further certify that the applicant has exhibited to me satisfactory evidence in writing that he is a member in good standing in Lodge, No., F. and A. M., located at....., in the State of.....

.....,
Of the Committee.

6. I recommend that Section 1 of Article I of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE I.

SEC. 1. This Grand Chapter shall be known and designated by the name and style of "The Grand Chapter of the State of California of the Order of the Eastern Star."

7. Those who attended the Yukon-Pacific Exposition at Seattle realized the great benefit the Masonic and Eastern Star buildings and headquarters were to the members of the Order. California should not be behind in this matter, and it appears to me that if the Masons and members of our Order should construct, furnish and maintain buildings upon the exposition grounds of San Francisco and San Diego, where members of the Order might find a resting place or meeting place, or where they might obtain reliable or trustworthy information, or where members might be taken in case of accident or sudden illness, that it would redound to the glory of our Order in this State. Indeed, the Masonic orders of California are looked upon as being in the front rank and foremost in all states of the Union, and I believe our Grand Chapter is second to none in the world in point of ability and in the high moral standing of its membership.

California occupies a unique place among the states of the Union—it occupies the central position of the Pacific Coast. It occupies a far different position from that of any of the central states. For more than a quarter of a century it has been looked to to produce more than the ordinary State. It is presumed that what it does represents the latest thought and the highest civilization of the time.

I believe that it would be for the great good of the membership of California and of the Subordinate Chapters if they should raise a fund for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and maintaining such buildings as I have described on the exposition grounds in the cities of San Francisco and San Diego. One fourth of such amount might be paid in the year of 1912; one half in the year 1913; and the remaining one fourth in 1914, thus making the whole fund available six months or more prior to the opening of the expositions; one third of such amount to be expended in the construction and maintenance of a building on the exposition grounds in San Diego, and the other two thirds to be expended in constructing and maintaining a building on the exposition grounds in San Francisco.

If an amount equal to fifty cents per member were raised in this manner it would scarcely be felt by the Subordinate Chapters, but altogether it would furnish a fund that would construct and maintain two buildings on the exposition grounds. Such buildings, of course, would only be temporary, but the money raised would be sufficient to build hand-

some structures, and I sincerely believe that such buildings would be appreciated by the members of the Order throughout the United States who may attend the expositions and it would be a great benefit to the whole State, and our Order should be interested in everything that goes toward the upbuilding of California.

8. I am pleased to report that no charters have been surrendered during the year. Ten Chapters have been instituted and all are prosperous and are fully competent to greatly aid us in the good work of our Order, and I therefore recommend that charters be granted to them and their representatives admitted as members in this Grand Chapter.

9. That a duplicate Charter be granted to Ocean View Chapter, No. 111 in lieu of the one lost.

In Conclusion.

My sisters and brothers, I can truly say that my year of office has been made most pleasant by many new acquaintances and associations that, I trust, may last through all the coming years. Although the correspondence of the Grand Patron has assumed huge proportions, consisting of many hundreds of letters, yet in all of these letters I have not received a single word of complaint from any member of the Order. Nothing could be more kind and courteous than the letters I have received from our sisters and brothers in this Grand Jurisdiction, and they have caused me to feel that the members of this Order know, appreciate and practice the principles of our Order. If they did not feel them, realize them and desire to practice them, they could not, with such unanimity, be so courteous and considerate of their Grand Officers. These pleasant letters have made the duties of my office most agreeable.

From my Grand Secretary, and Assistant Grand Secretary, I could not have expected or asked more. All of my letters to them have received the most prompt and careful consideration, and they have been of great service to me by reason of their great knowledge of the customs, rules and regulations of our Order, and by reason of their wide acquaintance with the members of the Order, and especially with the Past Grand Officers, and all Past officers and the past history of the various Subordinate Chapters of the State. They possess an immense fund upon which the Grand Officers may always rely and draw for information, and which has been of inestimable service to me in the performance of the duties of my office.

From my Grand Officers I have received the most cordial and ready support at all times, but especially has my Grand Matron been courteous

and kind and considerate in all our official life. In fact, it is a wonder to me how she can retain such a fund of good nature during the performance of her duties, which have required her to be up night after night for months, a practice that usually tries one's amiability to the utmost, but, through it all, she has lost none of her sweet graciousness, and has, at all times, been courteous and watchful for the pleasure and happiness of those about her.

My sisters and brothers, your Grand Officers are greatly pleased to report that universal peace pervades this Grand Jurisdiction, and that prosperity and good will prevail among our Chapters and members. Scarcely anything has arisen during the past year to cause a cloud of trouble to appear upon the fraternal horizon of the Grand Chapter.

It is with great pleasure that we report to you that unusual harmony and peace and good-will and prosperity reign supreme throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, and we trust that such it may continue for many, many years.

I am truly grateful to all of you for the high honor you conferred upon me one year ago. I have tried to perform the duties of my office at all times for what I believed to be for the best interests of the Order. Without the assistance of the members of the Order we could not have had the peaceful and harmonious year that we have had, and therefore, to the members of the Order throughout the State, and especially to the officers of the Subordinate Chapters in their universal courtesy, is largely due the credit for the happy and satisfactory condition that our Order is in to-day, and to them and to all of the members of the Grand Chapter, and especially to my Grand Secretary and her most worthy assistant, and to my Grand Matron, I tender my most sincere thanks.

I appreciate very greatly the many tokens of friendship and regard that I have received from the various Chapters that I have visited, and when I look at them through the coming years, they will always recall very pleasant associations,—recollections of delightful evenings spent with the sisters and brothers of our beloved Order.

WILLIAM J. MOSSHOLDER.
Grand Patron.

Which address was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The Grand Matron then read to the Grand Chapter her annual address:

ADDRESS OF THE WORTHY GRAND MATRON.

Members of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star:

It gives me extreme pleasure on the eve of the termination of my administration as Grand Matron to extend to the representatives constituting the Grand Chapter of the State of California, Order of the Eastern Star, a most cordial greeting and to express the hope that your Thirty-ninth Annual Communication may be conducted in such harmonious spirit as to produce the most beneficent results.

Since the last assembling of this body your Grand Matron has traversed the State from Del Norte to San Diego and from the Sierras to the Sea, having visited many subordinate Chapters, which with few exceptions are flourishing and prosperous. Her reception by the various Chapters has been unanimously and mutually pleasurable and profitable. The spirit of cordiality, concord and fraternal love has been alike evident among the larger organizations and the most remote Chapters. It is gratifying to be able conscientiously to say to you that the Order of the Eastern Star in this grand old State is thriving with a life full of pleasant recollections of the past, and vivid hope of the future, and is well able to stand analytical comparison with any Grand Jurisdiction in the Union.

It is indeed a great privilege and one long to be remembered and appreciated by the people of this State that San Francisco, which we all delight to honor, should have been selected as the one place wherein to be celebrated the momentous event of the opening of the Panama Canal, connecting the Atlantic with the Pacific, the Occident with the Orient, emblematic of the commencement of a unity of purpose and peoples throughout the earth and embodying all those sublime principles upon which our Order is founded, and giving opportunity for the dissemination of fidelity, constancy, purity, faith and love among the nations of the earth, without regard to sex, color or previous condition of servitude; and as those principles are carried by their messengers of love to the earth, how great will be the pride of this city and this State in the knowledge of the fact that the effulgent rays of that blessedness shall have emanated from San Francisco in the great State of California, and what joy we should feel as members of the Eastern Star in this State when we consider the privilege of participating in the achievement of that great consummation.

For the statistical tabulations and other data pertaining to the Order in this State, you are respectfully referred to our admirable and efficient Grand Secretary, Sister Kate J. Willats, and in passing I desire to pay personal tribute to her extraordinary capability as a Grand Officer and to personally express sincere appreciation of her very valuable aid in the conduct and administration of the affairs of this Grand Chapter. It would be utterly and absolutely not only impracticable but impossible for any Grand Matron to fulfill her duties without her valuable aid, always so graciously rendered by her, whose ripened experience, covering years of patient, zealous and diligent labor, forms one of the principal pillars supporting the superstructure of this Grand Chapter.

The first official duty devolving upon your Grand Matron was the signing of warrants and dispensations for the use of the Grand Secretary's office. Next the appointment of District Deputy Grand Matrons, as follows:

- District 1—Mrs. Alicia B. Jackson.
- District 2—Mrs. Carrie B. McConaughy.
- District 3—Mrs. Sabina B. Kesler.
- District 4—Mrs. Anna N. Moncur.
- District 5—Mrs. Maude E. Denney.
- District 6—Mrs. Elizabeth Grinton.
- District 7—Mrs. Anna E. Horwege.
- District 8.—Miss Emily Ferguson, and Special Deputy for Ruth
Chapter U. D.
- District 9—Mrs. Addie M. Powers.
- District 10—Mrs. Rose M. Hathaway.
- District 11—Miss Sue E. Tuck.
- District 12—Mrs. Della W. Cline.
- District 13—Mrs. Charlotte E. Jamieson.
- District 14—Mrs. Blanche D. Cary.
- District 15—Mrs. Irma Herron.
- District 16—Mrs. Emma Blanchard.
- District 17—Mrs. Emma J. Alexander.
- District 18—Mrs. Marie V. Johnson.
- District 19—Mrs. Rhoda F. Taylor.
- District 20—Mrs. Hattie B. Morrison.
- District 21—Mrs. Lessie M. Hancock.
- District 22—Mrs. Belle Coffman.
- District 23—Mrs. Ella R. Dunbar.
- District 24—Mrs. Margaret I. Watterson.
- District 25—Mrs. Jennie I. Hale.

District 26—Mrs. Eliza A. Grindle.
District 27—Miss May F. Carter.
District 28—Mrs. Christena Hartell (special).
District 29—Mrs. Armenia B. Packer.
District 30—Miss Birdie R. Rickart.
District 31—Mrs. Lucile I. Mead.
District 32—Mrs. Priscilla MacNutt.
District 33—Mrs. Christena Hartell (special).
District 34—Mrs. Mary G. Wescott.

General Grand Chapter.

As the Grand Matron of California, it was my privilege as one of the representatives to attend the Thirteenth Triennial Session of the General Grand Chapter, held in the city of Jacksonville, Florida.

On this visit I had the company of Sister Nellie A. Darling, Associate Grand Matron; Sister Kate J. Willats, Grand Secretary; Sisters Abbie E. Krebs and Mary E. Partridge, Past Grand Matrons, and Brother Casimir J. Wood, Past Grand Patron. The Assembly was called to order on November 8, 1910, at 10 o'clock A. M. by Sister Mary E. Partridge, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron. There was a large attendance present. All the States under the General Grand Chapter, "except Vermont," being represented. Sickness prevented Brother Stillson attending. The addresses of our esteemed Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron were full of interest, showing a vast amount of labor and many visitations made by them. The report of Sister Lorraine J. Pitkin was replete with statistical data, showing her interest in carrying on the many duties assigned to her. There was a goodly number of amendments offered to the Ritual, some of which did not meet with favor. Others received the necessary vote of the Assembly and will come up at the next session for adoption in 1913, which will convene at Chicago. Too much praise cannot be accorded to the Grand Officers of the Grand Chapter of Florida for their untiring efforts to make the session of the Assembly one of pleasure. We were entertained most royally from the time we arrived up to the last moment of our stay in their midst, and our visit to Florida will long be remembered after our term of office has expired.

Installations.

December 8, 1910—Installed officers of Oak Leaf Chapter, No. 8.
December 13, 1910—Installed officers of Marietta Chapter, No. 256.

December 17, 1910—Installed officers of Santa Clara Chapter, No. 195.

December 3, 1910—Attended installation of officers of California Chapter, No. 183.

December 7, 1910—Attended installations of officers of Harmony Chapter, No. 124.

December 14, 1910—Attended installations of officers of Amo Chapter, No. 280.

January 5, 1911—Attended Oakland Chapter, fifteenth anniversary.

School of Instruction.

For the benefit of the District Deputy Grand Matrons two schools of instruction were held. December 29, 1910, one school was opened in the city of Los Angeles, with the assistance of Brother William John Mossholder, Worthy Grand Patron; Sister Anna D. Dudderar and Sister Chlo A. Rutzahn, members of the Ritual Committee, and Sister Rosa J. Burns, Junior Past Grand Matron, and the Drill Corps of Los Angeles. January 13, 1911, the second school was opened in San Francisco; assisted by Past Grand Patron Brother Casimir J. Wood and Drill Corps of San Francisco.

New Chapters Instituted.

December 21, 1910, I was commissioned by our Worthy Grand Patron to institute Fruitvale Chapter, U. D., at Fruitvale.

April 29, 1911, assisted the Worthy Grand Patron at the institution of Golden Chain Chapter, U. D., at Oakland.

Correspondence.

New Year greetings were sent to my Grand Officers, to all Past Grand Officers of California, to all Subordinate Chapters of our own jurisdiction, to the Officers of the General Grand Chapter, and to all Grand Matrons, Grand Patrons and Grand Secretaries of sister jurisdictions. Many New Year greetings were received from sisters and brothers of California, as well as from members of other jurisdictions. Invitations have been received from other Grand Jurisdictions to attend their annual sessions. These were acknowledged with regrets that official duties prevented acceptance. Many invitations were received from California Chapters to attend installations and other Chapter work. Owing to my time being so fully occupied, I was unable to avail myself of this privilege. One of the joyous experiences of my official life has been to receive encouraging and complimentary communications from the Grand Matrons

of sister States. The spirit of fraternity therein expressed has demonstrated that though distantly removed personally, we are still held together by a common bond of interest and affection.

Dispensations for New Chapters.

Dispensations for new Chapters have been signed with our Grand Patron as follows:

Fruitvale Chapter, at Fruitvale.
Haleyon Chapter, at Los Angeles.
Sierra Madre Chapter, at Sierra Madre, Los Angeles County.
La Mesa Chapter, at La Mesa, San Diego County.
Ada Chapter, at Sacramento.
Miriam Chapter, at Perris, Riverside County.
Golden Chain Chapter, at Oakland.
Bethany Chapter, at Colfax, Placer County.
Ruth Chapter, at South San Francisco, San Mateo County.
Lindsay Chapter, at Lindsay, Tulare County.

Representatives.

The following sisters have been commissioned by the Grand Matron of their respective States to represent their Grand Chapter in the Grand Chapter of California:

Florida—Mrs. Jennie Prentice Mossholder.
Georgia—Mrs. Gertrude Swain Freeman.
Illinois—Mrs. Mabel Boyd Seymour.
Indiana—Mrs. Annie Elizabeth Briggs.
Iowa—Mrs. Anna C. Lynn.
Kansas—Mrs. Tryphinnie Bayard Janes.
Kentucky—Mrs. Adaline Bloom Runyon.
Missouri—Mrs. Anna Nancy Skinner.
New Hampshire—Mrs. Emilie Cartwright Swain.
Oregon—Mrs. Maude Noble Haven.
New Mexico—Mrs. Elmira Frances West.
Tennessee—Mrs. Hattie Elizabeth Alexander.
Vermont—Mrs. Sarah Isabelle Hubbard.
Wyoming—Mrs. Lulu Lucas.
Scotland—Mrs. Rosa Josephine Burns.
Washington—Mrs. Anna Dreher Dudderar.

Representatives of the Grand Chapter of California near other Grand Chapters:

Iowa—Mrs. Jennie A. Rule.
Indiana—Miss Blanche Regett.
Kansas—Mrs. Jennie L. V. Brewster.
New Hampshire—Mrs. Estelle Libbey.
North Carolina—Mrs. Charles Peterson.
North Dakota—Mrs. Josie C. Aurland.
Pennsylvania—Mrs. Jennie Wood.
South Dakota—Mrs. Jeanette E. Herreid.
Tennessee—Mrs. Lillian Ridgway.
Texas—Mrs. Fannie V. Ward.
Vermont—Mrs. Willis E. Griswold.
Wyoming—Mrs. Carrie R. Fisher.
Washington—Mrs. Libbie J. Demorest.

Special Dispensations Issued.

To reballet:

November 14, 1910—Monterey Chapter, No. 239.
January 5, 1911—Columbia Chapter, No. 247.
January 19, 1911—East Gate Chapter, No. 225.
January 20, 1911—Wheatland Chapter, No. 48.
January 27, 1911—Oriental Chapter, No. 258.
April 27, 1911—Burlingame Chapter, No. 275.
April 3, 1911—Rose Valley Chapter, No. 33.
May 8, 1911—Ventura Chapter, No. 79.
May 25, 1911—Starr King Chapter, No. 204.
May 25, 1911—Marysville Chapter, No. 55.
June 28, 1911—Acacia Chapter, No. 21.
July 2, 1911—Bakersfield Chapter, No. 125.
August 11, 1911—Highland Park Chapter, No. 263.

To receive petitions under six months' residence:

December 13, 1910—Hesperian Chapter, No. 112.
December 13, 1910—Ocean Park Chapter, No. 245.
February 23, 1911—Highland Park Chapter, No. 263.
February 22, 1911—Oakland Chapter, No. 140.
August 30, 1911—Alhambra Chapter, No. 193.

To receive and ballot same evening:

March 23, 1911—Ada Chapter, U. D.

April 29, 1911—Long Beach Chapter, No. 173.

April 15, 1911—Aloha Chapter, No. 206.

April 29, 1911—Golden Chain Chapter, U. D.

To elect officers:

November 8, 1910—Tuolumne Star Chapter, No. 123.

November 21, 1911—Fresno Chapter, No. 295.

To hold a meeting at the Masonic Home, Decoto:

November 8, 1911—Orient Chapter, No. 177.

To initiate more than six candidates at one time:

March 23, 1911—Ada Chapter, U. D.

Visitations.

Have visited on the respective dates the following Chapters and have found them faithful and flourishing in the field of fraternal good will.

1910.

November 29—Oak Leaf Chapter, No. 8.

December 3—California Chapter, No. 183, (installation).

December 7—Harmony Chapter, No. 124, (installation).

December 8—Oak Leaf Chapter, No. 8, (installation).

December 13—Marietta Chapter, No. 256, (installation).

December 14—Amo Chapter, No. 280, (installation).

December 17—Santa Clara Chapter, No. 195, (installation).

1911.

January 5—Oakland Chapter, No. 140. (Fifteenth anniversary.)

February 2—Ocean Park Chapter, No. 245.

February 2—Santa Monica Chapter, No. 113. } Joint meeting.

(Reception and ball.)

February 3—Pasadena Chapter, No. 108.

February 6—Ungava Chapter, No. 106.

February 7—Elsinore Chapter, No. 243.

February 8—Gate City Chapter, No. 212.

February 9—La Victoria Chapter, No. 241.

February 10—Euclid Chapter, No. 179.

February 11—Pomona Chapter, No. 110.

February 13—Crown Chapter, No. 162.

- February 15—Copa del Oro Chapter, No. 142.
 February 16—Colton Chapter, No. 211.
 February 17—Silver Wave Chapter, No. 75.
 February 18—Haleyon Chapter, U. D. }
 February 18—Acacia Chapter, No. 21. } Joint meeting.
 February 20—Hollenbeck Chapter, No. 248. }
 February 20—Palestine Chapter, No. 210. } Joint meeting.
 February 21—Alhambra Chapter, No. 193.
 February 22—Ball at Long Beach.
 February 23—Scepter Chapter, No. 163.
 February 24—Esperanza Chapter, No. 167. }
 February 24—West Lake Chapter, No. 268. } Joint meeting.
 February 25—Columbia Chapter, No. 247.
 February 27—Hollywood Chapter, No. 209.
 February 28—East Gate Chapter, No. 225.
 March 2—Gardena Chapter, No. 260.
 March 3—Occident Chapter, No. 160.
 March 4—Fullerton Chapter, No. 191. }
 March 4—Buena Park Chapter, No. 240. } Joint meeting.
 March 6—Long Beach Chapter, No. 173.
 March 6—Pearl Chapter, No. 147. (Afternoon.)
 March 7—Lexington Chapter, No. 172.
 March 8—Sunset Chapter, No. 216. }
 March 8—Highland Park Chapter, No. 263. } Joint meeting.
 March 9—Loyalty Chapter, No. 217. }
 March 9—Los Angeles Chapter, No. 168. } Joint meeting.
 March 10—Lyra Chapter, No. 144. }
 March 10—Rising Light Chapter, No. 286. } Joint meeting.
 March 11—Pacific Chapter, No. 192. }
 March 11—Oriental Chapter, No. 258. } Joint meeting.
 March 13—Monrovia Chapter, No. 227. }
 March 13—Sierra Madera Chapter, U. D. } Joint meeting.
 March 14—La Paloma Chapter, No. 202.
 March 15—Pleiades Chapter, No. 281. }
 March 15—South Gate Chapter, No. 133. } Joint meeting.
 March 16—Southern Star Chapter, No. 96. }
 March 16—San Diego Chapter, No. 264. } Joint meeting.
 March 17—Escondido Chapter, No. 154.

- March 18—Poinsettia Chapter, No. 287.
March 20—Hermosa Chapter, No. 105.
March 21—Norwalk Chapter, No. 143.
March 22—Glen Eyrie Chapter, No. 237.
March 23—South Pasadena Chapter, No. 272.
March 24—Daylight Chapter, No. 265. (Afternoon.)
March 27—Chispa Chapter, No. 151.
March 28—Harbor Chapter, No. 174.
March 29—Reception by Los Angeles Chapters.
March 30—Jasmine Chapter, No. 145.
April 1—Tehachapi Chapter, No. 188.
April 3—Bakersfield Chapter, No. 125.
April 4—Palm Leaf Chapter, No. 114.
April 5—Tulare Chapter, No. 94.
April 6—Fresno Chapter, No. 295. }
April 6—Raisina Chapter, No. 89. } Joint meeting.
April 7—Martha Washington Chapter, No. 13.
April 8—Eschoeholtzia Chapter, No. 270.
April 10—Heliotrope Chapter, No. 93.
April 11—Lucerne Chapter, No. 127.
April 12—Reedley Chapter, No. 257.
April 13—Wistaria Chapter, No. 296.
April 15—California Chapter, No. 183.
April 17—San Francisco Chapter, No. 196.
April 18—Berkeley Chapter, No. 178.
April 19—Carita Chapter, No. 115.
April 20—Harmony Chapter, No. 124.
April 21—Golden Gate Chapter, No. 1.
April 22—Mission Chapter, No. 155.
April 24—Olive Branch Chapter, No. 169.
April 25—Ivy Chapter, No. 27.
April 26—Jewel Chapter, No. 238. (Afternoon.)
April 26—Amo Chapter, No. 280.
April 27—Oak Leaf Chapter, No. 8.
April 28—Silver Star Chapter, No. 3.
May 1—Starr King Chapter, No. 204.
May 2—Ideal Chapter, No. 251.
May 3—Imperial Chapter, No. 229.
May 4—Mill Valley Chapter, No. 219.
May 5—Golden Wave Chapter, No. 103.
May 6—Yerba Buena Chapter, No. 228.
May 8—Beulah Chapter, No. 99.

- May 9—Unity Chapter, No. 65.
May 10—Naomi Chapter, No. 36.
May 11—Onisbo Chapter, No. 164.
May 12—Sacramento Chapter, No. 190.
May 13—Crockett Chapter, No. 184.
May 15—Ionia Chapter, No. 199.
May 16—Veritas Chapter, No. 84.
May 17—Marshal Chapter, No. 86.
May 18—Yolo Chapter, No. 60.
May 19—Vacaville Chapter, No. 28.
May 20—Yosolano Chapter, No. 218.
May 22—Columbia Chapter, No. 117.
May 23—Marysville Chapter, No. 55. } Joint meeting.
May 23—Fidelia Chapter, No. 56. }
May 24—Natoma Chapter, No. 233.
May 25—Fallen Leaf Chapter, No. 90.
May 26—Rose Chapter, No. 292.
May 27—Friendship Chapter, No. 67.
May 29—Wheatland Chapter, No. 48.
May 31—Vernon Chapter, No. 35.
June 1—Josephine Chapter, No. 104.
June 3—Amapola Chapter, No. 119.
June 5—Aurora Chapter, No. 40.
June 6—Evangeline Chapter, No. 9.
June 7—Truckee Chapter, No. 116.
June 8—Crystal Chapter, No. 57.
June 9—Bethany Chapter, U. D.
June 12—Vesper Chapter, No. 20.
June 13—Redding Chapter, No. 44.
June 14—Mt. Shasta Chapter, No. 153.
June 15—Evening Star Chapter, No. 10.
June 16—Stella Chapter, No. 39.
June 17—Sisson Chapter, No. 175.
June 19—Fidelity Chapter, No. 131.
June 20—Heber Chapter, No. 181.
June 21—Penrhyn Chapter, No. 159.
June 22—Ada Chapter, U. D.
June 26—Mystic Star Chapter, No. 279.
June 27—Citrus Chapter, No. 208.
June 28—Loyal Chapter, No. 223.
June 29—Golden Rod Chapter, No. 221.
June 30—Rio Vista Chapter, No. 222.

- July 1—Suisun Chapter, No. 2.
July 6—Tuolumne Star Chapter, No. 123.
July 7—Angeles Chapter, No. 134.
July 10—Oakdale Chapter, No. 226.
July 11—Summit Chapter, No. 138.
July 12—Homo Chapter, No. 50.
July 13—Lodi Chapter, No. 150.
July 14—Pleasanton Chapter, No. 294.
July 15—Woodbridge Chapter, No. 118.
July 17—Silver Spray Chapter, No. 59.
July 18—Silver Gate Chapter, No. 30.
July 19—Fruitvale Chapter, U. D.
July 20—Valley of the Moon Chapter, No. 85.
July 21—Valley Home Chapter, No. 182.
July 24—Laurel Chapter, No. 186.
July 25—Marietta Chapter, No. 256.
July 26—Athens Chapter, No. 277.
July 27—Richmond Chapter, No. 255.
July 28—Acantha Chapter, No. 249.
July 29—West Gate Chapter, No. 290.
July 31—Keystone Chapter, No. 235.
August 2—Miramonte Chapter, No. 141.
August 3—Parnassus Chapter, No. 269.
August 5—Burlingame Chapter, No. 275.
August 7—Sequoia Chapter, No. 203.
August 9—Orient Chapter, No. 177.
August 10—Sunnyvale Chapter, No. 250.
August 11—St. Helena Chapter, No. 274.
August 12—Vallejo Chapter, No. 278.
August 14—San Rafael Chapter, No. 215.
August 15—Lily of the Valley Chapter, No. 18.
August 16—Idlewild Chapter, No. 19.
August 16—Santa Cruz Chapter, No. 273. } Joint meeting.
August 17—Oakland Chapter, No. 140.
August 18—Palo Alto Chapter, No. 213.
August 19—Santa Clara Chapter, No. 195.
August 21—Semper Fidelis Chapter, No. 135.
August 22—Pinole Chapter, No. 220.
August 23—Athena Chapter, No. 46.
August 24—Magnolia Chapter, No. 73.
August 26—King Solomon Chapter, No. 170.
August 28—Rose Valley Chapter, No. 33.

- August 30—Areata Chapter, No. 207.
 August 31—Del Norte Chapter, No. 149.
 September 1—Camellia Chapter, No. 63.
 September 2—Ferndale Chapter, No. 23.
 September 4—Kingsley Chapter, No. 58.
 September 5—San Jose Chapter, No. 31. } Joint meeting.
 September 5—Fraternity Chapter, No. 288. }
 September 6—Ocean Spray Chapter, No. 68.
 September 7—Mizpah Chapter, No. 100.
 September 8—Ramona Chapter, No. 97.
 September 9—Santa Paula Chapter, No. 185.
 September 11—Marguerite Chapter, No. 78.
 September 12—Miguelito Chapter, No. 176.
 September 13—Corona Chapter, No. 107.
 September 14—Violet Chapter, No. 102. } Joint meeting.
 September 14—Bethlehem Chapter, No. 95. }
 September 16—La Posa Chapter, No. 282.
 September 18—Golden Chain Chapter, U. D.
 September 19—Clear Lake Chapter, No. 137.
 September 20—Lower Lake Chapter, No. 231.
 September 21—Casimir Chapter, No. 252.
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 October 5—Elvesta Chapter, No. 293.
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 October 6—Golden Star Chapter, No. 66. }
 October 7—Aloha Chapter, No. 206.
 October 9—Amity Chapter, No. 262.
 October 10—Clover Leaf Chapter, No. 130.
 October 11—Los Ceritos Chapter, No. 234.
 October 12—Albert Pike Chapter, No. 284.
 October 13—Masonic Home at Decoto.
 October 14—Mission Chapter, No. 155.

Visited Masonic Home at Decoto. Was graciously received by the matron, Sister Mary B. Noble, a member of Marshall Chapter, Willows, and shown about the place, and had very pleasant conversations with Sister Anna M. Elliot, Past Grand Secretary and Past Associate Grand Matron and a member of Oak Leaf Chapter, No. 8; also Sister McMahon of the same Chapter, Sister Robinson of Crystal Chapter, Sister Julian of Golden Gate Chapter, Sister Fountain of Ungava Chapter. They were all delighted and felt honored to have a visit from your Grand Matron. We may well feel proud that we were permitted to assist even in a small way our Masonic brothers in their work of brotherly love that makes about one hundred and ten members of our Orders comfortable and happy.

Recommendations.

1. I recommend that Deputies give more time than has been their custom to the interior Chapters, one afternoon and evening not being sufficient.

2. That the words "places her hand upon the ballot box and" on page 31, line three, be eliminated.

3. Insert the words "facing South" after the word "line" in paragraph 26, page 34.

4. That No. 5 in the Order of Business in the Instruction Book be made No. 12; that No. 6 be made No. 5; No. 7 be No. 6; No. 8 be No. 7; No. 9 be No. 8; No. 10 be No. 9; No. 11 be No. 10; No. 12 be No. 11. Also on page 31, line 7, insert after the word "clear," "placing her hand on the ballot box"; and on page 26, line 4, "The ballot box when properly placed should have the drawer towards the north."

6. That the Instruction Book be revised in accordance with the corrections that have been made, and that a new edition be issued.

The exemplification of the Ritualistic work before the Grand Chapter at each annual session is principally for the purpose of instruction of the representatives of the subordinate Chapters, and not for entertaining exhibition, and is given with the hope that it may result in a greater proficiency on the part of the officers of subordinate Chapters. It is also offered as an example to be emulated as nearly as possible and to endeavor to have the work performed with uniformity and proficiency in all the Chapters of the State.

During my official visits I was impressed with the fact that there was no great uniformity in the manner in which the work was rendered, and was led to the conclusion that it would be well to have a set of officers specially prepared by proper organization and drill so that the work at this session should as nearly as possible approach perfection. It being impossible, or at least impracticable to assemble the Grand Officers for

the necessary rehearsals, at my suggestion and through the courtesy and efforts of Past Grand Patron Brother Casimir J. Wood and Past Grand Matron Sister Abbie E. Krebs, Chairman of the Ritual Committee, a drill corps has been organized and will present the work before you on Thursday evening, at which time any errors made will be then corrected.

Necrology.

"For rest is the cry of the world,
A cry that has never been still;
And rest has been her banner unfurled
O'er the city of sleep on the hill."

I regret to have to record during this year the death of our Brother Benjamin A. Plant, Past Associate Grand Patron during the years 1900-1901, and for many years performed notable service as Chairman of the Mileage Committee. To his widow, Sister Daisy L. Plant, and other members of our Order who have been left bereaved, we extend sincere sympathy.

[At this point the altar was draped by the Grand Conductress and Grand Associate Conductress.]

Conclusion.

In conclusion I desire to express my grateful appreciation to the officers of this Grand Chapter, with whom I have been associated, for their earnest co-operation and to say that I consider myself peculiarly fortunate in having the aid and encouragement they have always so willingly and graciously manifested. I have found my Grand Patron most gracious in accepting the many responsibilities which have fallen to his official lot, and have felt an enormous sense of relief in being able to conscientiously and wholly repose with him, all of the many mooted questions which arise concerning the judicial affairs of the Order, thereby giving me ample freedom for the exercise of my own functions. To the Representatives here present, and through them to each and every individual member of the Order throughout the State, I send a message of love and gratitude, and shall ever remember with superlative pleasure this year as your Grand Matron.

Fraternally submitted,

ADA MARSH DALTON,
Grand Matron.

REPORTS OF THE DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS.**DISTRICT NO. 1.**

Report of Mrs. Alicia M. Jackson, D. D. G. M. District No. 1,
O. E. S. of California.

Ferndale Chapter, No. 23.

Location, Ferndale. Date of visit, February 25, 1911. Total membership, 131. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$202.90. Condition of books, Black list kept and books very neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2; one has been lost for two years. General condition of Chapter—Seemed to be prosperous.

Camellia Chapter, No. 63.

Location, Eureka. Date of visit, March 3, 1911. Total membership, 284. Increase during year, 18. Money in treasury, \$599.47. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 8. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Officers well drilled and doing excellent work, and a sense of harmony seemed to prevail.

Rohnerville Chapter, No. 76.

Location, Rohnerville. Date of visit, March 15, 1911. Total membership, 114. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$429.00. Condition of books, well kept; Black book well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous.

Del Norte Chapter, No. 149.

Location, Crescent City. Date of visit, May 3, 1911. Total membership, 99. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$108.65. Condition of books, in excellent order; Black list well kept. No By-Laws had been given to new members for many years. Number

of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Work was done very well.

Arcata Chapter, No. 207.

Location, Arcata. Date of visit, April 6, 1911. Total membership, 144. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$686.80. Condition of books, excellent and very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

Report of Mrs. Carrie Belle McConnaughy, D. D. G. M. District No. 2, O. E. S. of California.

Alturas Chapter, No. 51.

Location, Alturas. Date of visit, May 10, 1911. Total membership, 68. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$82.07. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; members and officers interested in the work.

Esther Chapter, No. 74.

Location, Adin. Date of visit, May 15, 1911. Total membership, 62. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$83.88. Condition of books, good; Secretary absent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good. All interested and harmonious.

Mountain View Chapter, No. 88.

Location, Janesville. Date of visit, May 11, 1911. Total membership, 58. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, 43.00. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; officers proficient in their work.

Hesperian Chapter, No. 112.

Location, Susanville. Date of visit, May 12, 1911. Total membership, 167. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$351.90. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous and harmonious.

Eagle Chapter, No. 187.

Location, Eagleville. Date of visit, May 8, 1911. Total membership, 30. Increase during year, 1. Money in treasury, \$161.10. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Good; all interested in the work.

Bonner Chapter, No. 232.

Location, Cedarville. Date of visit, May 4, 1911. Total membership, 25. Money in treasury, \$172.75. Condition of books, good; Secretary absent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—All interested and harmonious.

North East Chapter, No. 254.

Location, Fort Bidwell. Date of visit, May 25, 1911. Total membership, 35. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$87.10. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; officers proficient in their work; members interested.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

Report of Mrs. Sabina B. Kesler, D. D. G. M. District No. 3,
O. E. S. of California.

Evening Star Chapter, No. 10.

Location, Etna Mills. Date of visit, April 20, 1911. Total membership, 79. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$294.71. Condition of books, very good; neatly kept. Number of Rituals

present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; the work was well rendered.

St. John's Chapter, No. 14.

Location, Weaverville. Date of visit, May 3, 1911. Total membership, 47. Increase during year, 1. Money in treasury, \$343.69. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; the work was very well done.

Welcome Chapter, No. 17.

Location, Shasta. Date of visit, March 18, 1911. Total membership, 52. Money in treasury, \$291.97. Condition of books, good and neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; harmonious but laboring at a disadvantage as members are so scattered, five of the principal officers coming eight miles every meeting night to attend Chapter.

Vesper Chapter, No. 20.

Location, Red Bluff. Date of visit, February 27, 1911. Total membership, 99. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$16.19. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good.

Northern Light Chapter, No. 26.

Location, Millville. Date of visit, March 29, 1911. Total membership, 75. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$357.25. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; very harmonious; good Masonic support.

Stella Chapter, No. 39.

Location, Yreka. Date of visit, April 21, 1911. Total membership, 150. Increase during year, 1. Money in treasury, \$389.77. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of

the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; good Masonic support.

Redding Chapter, No. 44.

Location, Redding. Date of visit, March 14, 1911. Total membership, 199. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$213.05 (money in Redding bank that failed). Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; prosperous.

Fidelity Chapter, No. 131.

Location, Dunsmuir. Date of visit, April 27, 1911. Total membership, 145. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$244.38. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; the work was well done.

Mt. Shasta Chapter, No. 153.

Location, Anderson. Date of visit, March 13, 1911. Total membership, 50. Money in treasury, \$190.23. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good.

Sisson Chapter, No. 175.

Location, Sisson. Date of visit, April 25, 1911. Total membership, 80. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$117.10. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; Ritualistic work well rendered.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

Report of Mrs. Anna Noyes Moncur, D. D. G. M. District No. 4,
O. E. S. of California.

Vernon Chapter, No. 35. .

Location, Gridley. Date of visit, March 4, 1911. Total membership, 137. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$114.55. Condition of books, very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present,

property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; the work was well done; love and harmony prevail.

Wheatland Chapter, No. 48.

Location, Wheatland. Date of visit, February 13, 1911. Total membership, 82. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, 159.12. Condition of books, very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good.

Marysville Chapter, No. 55.

Location, Marysville. Date of visit, February 16, 1911. Total membership, 184. Increase during year, 18. Money in treasury, \$345.54. Condition of books, exceptionally neat and well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—The work was well done; officers enthusiastic.

Fidella Chapter, No. 56.

Location, Yuba City. Date of visit, February 28, 1911. Total membership, 208. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$120.45. Condition of books, in excellent condition. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious; prosperous; good Masonic support; very proficient corps of officers; all members have the Eastern Star spirit. This is my home Chapter, of which I am very proud.

Friendship Chapter, No. 67.

Location, Lincoln. Date of visit, February 18, 1911. Total membership, 68. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$115.61. Condition of books, very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; harmony and good will prevail.

Josephine Chapter, No. 104.

Location, Chico. Date of visit, March 2, 1911. Total membership, 252. Increase during year, 21. Money in treasury, \$582.05. Con-

dition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Financially good; small attendance; work fairly well done. Officers should be supported more by the members.

Amapola Chapter, No. 119.

Location, Oroville. Date of visit, March 18, 1911. Total membership, 217. Increase during year, 14. Money in treasury, \$82.35. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Harmony and prosperity prevail.

Rose Chapter, No. 292.

Location, Roseville. Date of visit, February 24, 1911. Total membership, 38. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$23.90. Condition of books, very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous; officers earnest and conscientious.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Report of Mrs. Maude E. Denney, D. D. G. M. District No. 5, O. E. S. of California.

Placer Chapter, No. 49.

Location, Dutch Flat. Date of visit, April 13, 1911. Total membership, 76. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$173.05. Condition of books, complete in every detail. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Holding its own; finances increasing; Masonic support unequaled.

Sincerity Chapter, No. 53.

Location, Greenville. Date of visit, June 9, 1911. Total membership, 40. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$122.00. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 1. Number of Instruction Books present, property of

the Chapter, 2 old ones. General condition of Chapter—Lacking in interest in the works; Worthy Matron unable to be present on account of sickness in family; only four officers present; Associate Matron, Secretary, Electa and Sentinel, also three members present.

Truckee Chapter, No. 116.

Location, Truckee. Date of visit, March 21, 1911. Total membership, 99. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$14.34. Condition of books, good; very neatly kept; Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Some good workers. This Chapter labors under difficulties.

Sierra Star Chapter, No. 129.

Location, Sierraville. Date of visit, June 6, 1911. Total membership, 39. Increase during year, 1. Money in treasury, \$140.85. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious; doing good work; good Masonic support.

Beckwith Star Chapter, No. 201.

Location, Beckwith. Date of visit, June 7, 1911. Total membership, 69. Money in treasury, \$106.85. Condition of books, very well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Doing good work.

Cellandine Chapter, No. 224.

Location, Loyalton. Date of visit, June 12, 1911. Total membership, 59. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$210.40. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; officers capable and earnest; good Masonic support.

Plumas Chapter, No. 246.

Location, Quincy. Date of visit, June 8, 1911. Total membership, 59. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$160.00. Condition of books, excellent penmanship; perfect in every detail.

Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; splendid Masonic support.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

Report of Mrs. Elizabeth Grinton, D. D. G. M. District No. 6, O. E. S. of California.

Naomi Chapter, No. 36.

Location, Sacramento. Date of visit, March 8, 1911. Total membership, 283. Increase during year, 24. Money in treasury, \$462.32. Condition of books, very good; carefully and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; harmonious and prosperous; the officers earnest, conscientious and efficient in their work. My home Chapter very dear to me, at which I made my first official visit, and was most kindly and delightfully received.

Fallen Leaf Chapter, No. 90.

Location, Placerville. Date of visit, March 27, 1911. Total membership, 139. Increase during year, 1. Money in treasury, \$70.00. Condition of books, very good, neatly and accurately kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 5. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Very good; the work was very well done, the officers earnestly striving to be perfect, generous hospitality, harmony and good feeling prevail. Attendance very good.

Columbus Chapter, No. 117.

Location, Sacramento. Date of visit, March 13, 1911. Total membership, 244. Increase during year, 19. Money in treasury, \$771.28. Condition of books, very neatly and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; harmonious and very prosperous; the officers conscientious, earnest and efficient in their work.

Onisbo Chapter, No. 164.

Location, Courtland. Date of visit, April 13, 1911. Total membership, 76. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$258.04. Condition of books, very good; correctly and well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very good; harmony and good feeling prevail.

Sacramento Chapter, No. 190.

Location, Sacramento. Date of visit, March 24, 1911. Total membership, 210. Increase during year, 22. Money in treasury, \$443.15. Condition of books, excellent; correctly and beautifully kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent. The Chapter prosperous and harmonious.

Golden Rod Chapter, No. 221.

Location, Dixon. Date of visit, March 17, 1911. Total membership, 73. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$87.58. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 1. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous, and very harmonious; the officers do very good work and show an earnest desire to excel.

Rio Vista Chapter, No. 222.

Location, Rio Vista. Date of visit, April 7, 1911. Total membership, 68. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$197.74. Condition of books, very good; correctly and neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very good; harmonious and quite prosperous.

Ada Chapter, U. D.

Location, Sacramento. Date of visit, May 25, 1911. Total membership, 39. Money in treasury, \$67.87. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Book present, property of the Chapter, 3.

General condition of Chapter—Excellent, considering; the officers are earnest and conscientious in their work, and have attained a high degree of efficiency. Perfect harmony exists.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Report of Mrs. Anna E. Horwege, D. D. G. M. District No. 7,
O. E. S. of California.

Rose Valley Chapter, No. 33.

Location, Santa Rosa. Date of visit, March 27, 1911. Total membership, 271. Increase during year, 19. Money in treasury, \$31.23 cash, \$500.00 bonds. Condition of books, all Rituals in very poor condition; business books neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Exceptionally good; all officers thoroughly familiar with Instruction Books.

Morning Star Chapter, No. 61.

Location, Petaluma. Date of visit, May 9, 1911. Total membership, 121. Increase during year, 19. Money in treasury, \$160.00. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4, in poor condition. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good.

Sotoyome Chapter, No. 82.

Location, Healdsburg. Date of visit, March 28, 1911. Total membership, 124. Increase during year, 16. Money in treasury, \$110.60 cash, \$500.00 in bonds. Condition of books; Books neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; all officers interested in the work and the Chapter.

Valley of the Moon Chapter, No. 85.

Location, Sonoma. Date of visit, March 9, 1911. Total membership, 98. Increase during the year, 1. Money in treasury, \$121.53. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of

Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Not very well attended meetings; a good corps of officers.

Clover Leaf Chapter, No. 130.

Location, Cloverdale. Date of visit, April 11, 1911. Total membership, 51. Money in treasury, \$14.15. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—All the members seem discouraged and are considering the cancelling of their Charter. No interest in the work of the Ritual by the officers in general not even the obligation being memorized but read from the syllabus.

Gold Ridge Chapter, No. 161.

Location, Sebastopol. Date of visit, March 1, 1911. Total membership, 111. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$84.00. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good.

Valley Home Chapter, No. 182.

Location, Windsor. Date of visit, March 24, 1911. Total membership, 97. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$46.23. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4, in poor condition. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Seems very good.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Report of Miss Emily Wood Ferguson, D. D. G. M. District No. 8, and Special Deputy for Ruth Chapter, U. D., O. E. S. of California.

Golden Gate Chapter, No. 1.

Location, 2135 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 17, 1911. Total membership, 187. Increase during year, 21. Money in treasury, \$431.17. Condition of books, exceedingly well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4.

Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good. There was a good attendance and the work was well rendered. Support of Past Officers most noticeable.

Ivy Chapter, No. 27.

Location, 2135 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, March 14, 1911. Total membership, 254. Increase during year, 25. Money in treasury, \$584.29. Condition of books, neatly and properly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—The good work and splendid personnel of this Chapter fully justifies its standing as one of the leading Chapters.

Beulah Chapter, No. 99.

Location, San Francisco, South. Date of visit, January 23, 1911. Total membership, 171. Increase during year, 14. Money in treasury, \$57.00. Condition of books, neatly and properly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Officers very earnest and doing good work. Genuine hospitality and good feeling prevail.

Olive Branch Chapter, No. 169.

Location, 2135 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 27, 1911. Total membership, 142. Increase during year, 18. Money in treasury, \$146.89. Condition of books, well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; officers and members very much interested in the work and very proud of their Chapter. Work, well rendered.

King Solomon Chapter, No. 170.

Location, 1739 Fillmore Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 25, 1911. Total membership, 157. Increase during year, 14. Money in treasury, \$486.90. Money in Relief Fund, \$571.22. Condition of books, exceedingly well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books

• present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good. Officers very enthusiastic and anxious to perfect themselves in the work; a true fraternal spirit prevails.

California Chapter, No. 183.

Location, 2135 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, January 21, 1911. Total membership, 370. Increase during year, 28. Money in treasury, General Fund, \$595.90. Money in Special Fund, \$3,595.50. Money in Life Membership Fund, \$204.00. Condition of books, neatly and properly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Through the untiring efforts of the very capable Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron, this Chapter is enjoying a year of marked prosperity. Ritualistic work well rendered.

San Francisco Chapter, No. 196.

Location, 2135 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 20, 1911. Total membership, 188. Increase during year, 25. Money in treasury, \$104.61. Condition of books, well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous. Officers very eager for instruction and the work was exemplified in a very creditable manner.

Starr King Chapter, No. 204.

Location, 2174 Market Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, March 6, 1911. Total membership, 204. Increase during year, 29. Money in treasury, \$505.48. Money in Charity Fund, \$102.25. Condition of books, neatly and properly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; splendid Masonic support; ritualistic work very good.

Jewel Chapter No. 238.

Location, 2135 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 22, 1911. Total membership, 68. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$151.63 General Fund, \$62.63 in Jewel Fund,

and 302 Shares in E. S. Hall Stock. Condition of books, neatly and very well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Energetic and progressive. This, being the Daylight Chapter of San Francisco, is truly one of the most enjoyable and has a very capable corps of officers.

Ideal Chapter, No. 251.

Location, 2135 Sutter Street, San Francisco. Date of visit, March 21, 1911. Total membership, 75. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$172.48. Condition of books, very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous. Officers and members seem to be working for the best interests of their Chapter. Ritualistic work good.

Ruth Chapter, U. D.

Location, South San Francisco, San Mateo County. Date of visit, August 18, 1911. Total membership, 28. Money in treasury, \$143.00. Condition of books, neatly and properly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 2. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Officers showing great interest in the work and striving toward perfection. A small, but very interesting Chapter.

DISTRICT NO. 9.

Report of Mrs. Addie M. Powers, D. D. G. M. District No. 9,
O. E. S. of California.

Suisun Chapter, No. 2.

Location, Suisun City. Date of visit, April 13, 1911. Total membership, 104. Increase during year, 24. Money in treasury, \$58.21. Condition of books, very good; neatly and accurately kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very good; the gain in membership being the largest of any Chapter in the District. Masonic support fair.

Silver Star Chapter, No. 3.

Location, Vallejo. Date of visit, March 24, 1911. Total membership, 243. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$428.00. Social Fund, \$74.00. Condition of books, very good including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; this being the largest Chapter in the District. Good attendance with fine Masonic support.

Vacaville Chapter, No. 28.

Location, Vacaville. Date of visit, April 14, 1911. Total membership, 146. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$104.81. Condition of books, exceptionally neat and well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent. Officers earnest and capable. Strong Masonic support.

Silver Gate Chapter, No. 30.

Location, Benicia. Date of visit, April 18, 1911. Total membership, 88. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$188.00. Condition of books, good; neatly and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Fair; but very little enthusiasm shown, the officers receiving poor support from the members.

Silver Spray Chapter, No. 59.

Location, Napa. Date of visit, April 3, 1911. Total membership, 107. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$75.00. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous; this Chapter rendered the Ritual work in a very satisfactory manner.

Calistoga Chapter, No. 189.

Location, Calistoga. Date of visit, April 1, 1911. Total membership, 70. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$173.82. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property

of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 1. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious and prosperous. Fine Masonic support.

Yosolano Chapter, No. 218.

Location, Winters. Date of visit, March 3, 1911. Total membership, 98. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$126.00 Social Fund, \$10.00. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Officers capable and earnest in the performance of their duties. Strong Masonic support.

Keystone Chapter, No. 235.

Location, Napa. Date of visit, April 10, 1911. Total membership, 110. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$172.61. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous; a fine corps of officers with loyal support from all members and good Mason support. This is my home Chapter.

St. Helena Chapter, No. 274.

Location, St. Helena. Date of visit, February 24, 1911. Total membership, 51. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$70.00. Condition of books, good, neatly kept including the Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Harmony and good will prevail; officers very anxious to see the Chapter prosper. Masonic support fair.

Vallejo Chapter, No. 278.

Location, Vallejo. Date of visit, April 8, 1911. Total membership, 98. Increase during year, 12. Money in treasury, \$124.17. Condition of books, very well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; harmony and good-will prevail. Good Masonic support.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Report of Mrs. Rose M. Hathaway, D. D. G. M. District No. 10,
O. E. S. of California.

Acacia Chapter, No. 21.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 4, 1911. Total membership, 346. Increase during year, 30. Money in treasury, \$137.44. Social, \$172.03. Money in Charity Fund, \$50.86. Chapter Fund in hands of Trustees, \$1,138.65. Condition of books, excellent. Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous and exceedingly harmonious.

South Gate Chapter, No. 133.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 7, 1911. Total membership, 458. Increase during year, 39. Money in treasury, \$523.00. Money in Charity Fund, \$224.35. Masonic Hall Stock, \$1,000. Condition of books, excellent. Black book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Officers energetic and ambitious for the success of their Chapter. Ritualistic work exceedingly well done.

Lyra Chapter, No. 144.

Location, Whittier. Date of visit, February 17, 1911. Total membership, 173. Increase during year, 22. Money in treasury, \$81.72. Money in Masonic Association Stock, \$400.00. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; officers earnest and harmony prevails.

Esperanza Chapter, No. 167.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, January 27, 1911. Total membership, 232. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$542.47. Social Fund, \$125.39. Condition of books, excellent. Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of Chapter, 4.

Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; harmony and contentment prevail. This being my own dear home Chapter.

Long Beach Chapter, No. 173.

Location, Long Beach. Date of visit, February 22, 1911. Total membership, 265. Increase during year, 33. Money in treasury, \$270.58. Masonic Association Stock, \$600.00. Money in Charity Fund, \$38.75. Money in Life Membership Fund, 25.00 Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; the officers are very capable and perform their work well.

Palestine Chapter, No. 210.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 16, 1911. Total membership, 221. Increase during year, 62. Money in treasury, \$80.01. Money in Social Fund, \$242.57. Condition of books, excellent. Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous; an efficient corps of officers. Good Masonic support.

Hollenbeck Chapter, No. 248.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 6, 1911. Total membership, 168. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$171.28. Condition of books, excellent. Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous, and doing splendid work.

Seaside Chapter, No. 259.

Location, Huntington Beach. Date of visit, April 12, 1911. Total membership, 47. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$165.55. Condition of books, excellent. Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Fair. Very poor attendance.

Rising Light Chapter, No. 286.

Location, Huntington Park. Date of visit, April 3, 1911. Total membership, 41. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$39.19. Social, \$4.11. Condition of books, good. Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Members earnest; harmony prevails.

Miriam Chapter, U. D.

Location, Perris. Date of visit, June 14, 1911. Total membership, 39. Money in treasury, \$119.65. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious and very enthusiastic. Good Masonic support.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Report of Miss Sue Estelle Tuck, D. D. G. M. District No. 11,
O. E. S. of California.

Lily of the Valley Chapter, No. 18.

Location, Watsonville. Date of visit, March 21, 1911. Total membership, 173. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$439.98. Condition of books, very good, neatly and correctly kept including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Exceptionally good; officers doing excellent work; peace and harmony prevail; good Masonic support.

Idlewild Chapter, No. 19.

Location, Santa Cruz. Date of visit, March 15, 1911. Total membership, 146. Increase during year, 14. Money in treasury, \$243.43. Social Fund, \$12. Condition of books, very good, and properly kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very harmonious and prosperous; doing splendid work; good Masonic support.

Ceanothus Chapter, No. 45.

Location, San Juan Bautista. Date of visit, May 9, 1911. Total membership, 32. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$66.20. Condition of books, neat and correctly kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very satisfactory; good Masonic support.

Athena Chapter, No. 46.

Location, Hollister. Date of visit, March 1, 1911. Total membership, 151. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$204.46. 77 shares of stock in Masonic Building, value \$1,925.00. Condition of books, very well kept. List for Black Book kept, only. No Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Exceptionally good; work well rendered; prosperous and harmonious; good Masonic support.

Reveille Chapter, No. 47.

Location, Salinas. Date of visit, March 27, 1911. Total membership, 180. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$260.23. Condition of books, neatly and very accurately kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous and harmonious; the work well rendered by capable officers; large attendance of members; excellent Masonic support.

Ocean Spray Chapter, No. 68.

Location, Pacific Grove. Date of visit, February 15, 1911. Total membership, 106. Money in treasury, \$432.59. Condition of books, very good, neatly and accurately kept; and Black Book well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; capable and efficient officers; average attendance is good.

Magnolia Chapter, No. 73.

Location, Gilroy. Date of visit, March 9, 1911. Total membership, 126. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$125.35. Social Fund, \$16.35. Condition of books, very satisfactory; accurately kept; Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; earnest and capable officers, doing good work; excellent Masonic support; good attendance.

Monterey Chapter, No. 239.

Location, Monterey. Date of visit, February 17, 1911. Total membership, 77. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$80.00. Condition of books, excellent, neatly kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; ritual work well rendered.

Santa Cruz Chapter, No. 273.

Location, Santa Cruz. Date of visit, March 13, 1911. Total membership, 98. Increase during year, 23. Money in treasury, \$137.52. Jewel Fund, \$20.00, raised by members of the Chapter. Condition of books, very good and well kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent and harmonious; work well rendered; good Masonic support.

La Posa Chapter, No. 282.

Location, King City. Date of visit, March 28, 1911. Total membership, 36. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$61.11. Condition of books, neat and accurate, exceptionally well kept; list for Black Book kept, as they have no Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; officers earnest and efficient; good Masonic support; harmony prevails.

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Report of Mrs. Della Wilson Clute, D. D. G. M. District No. 12,
O. E. S. of California.

Lily of the Lake Chapter, No. 41.

Location, Lemoore. Date of visit, March 23, 1911. Total membership, 93. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$325.00. Condition of books, very well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious. Officers earnest and enthusiastic; work done in excellent manner.

Raisina Chapter, No. 89.

Location, Fresno. Date of visit, February 13, 1911. Total membership, 202. Increase during year, 25. Money in treasury, \$340.00. Condition of books, neat and accurate; in careful hands. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; officers doing good work; good attendance of members; a prosperous Chapter.

Heliotrope Chapter, No. 93.

Location, Selma. Date of visit, February 27, 1911. Total membership, 126. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$96.81. Condition of books, very well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good. Officers and members interested; fine social spirit; excellent Masonic support.

Lucerne Chapter, No. 127.

Location, Hanford. Date of visit, March 21, 1911. Total membership, 171. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$292.26, and \$400.00 loaned at 4 per cent, total \$692.26. Condition of books, carefully and accurately kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Book present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and enthusiastic. Work exceedingly well given.

Centinela Chapter, No. 136.

Location, Los Banos. Date of visit, March 15, 1911. Total membership, 43. Money in treasury, \$59.49. Condition of books, Secretary away, books under lock and not available for examination. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Working under difficulties, but earnest and ambitious.

Orestimba Chapter, No. 139.

Location, Newman. Date of visit, April 18, 1911. Total membership, 42. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$164.20. Condition of books, neatly kept and up to date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Membership scattered but harmony prevails in this Chapter in an unusual degree.

Reedley Chapter, No. 257.

Location, Reedley. Date of visit, March 28, 1911. Total membership, 44. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$161.21. Condition of books, neatly kept, in careful hands. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious and doing good work.

Eschscholtzia Chapter, No. 270.

Location, Coalinga. Date of visit, March 25, 1911. Total membership, 77. Increase during year, 29. Money in treasury, \$615.43. Condition of books, excellent and up to date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous; good Masonic support.

Fresno Chapter, No. 295.

Location, Fresno. Date of visit, February 28, 1911. Total membership, 30. Money in treasury, \$31.75. Condition of books, beautifully kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Doing splendid work. All officers enthusiastic and working harmoniously.

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Report of Mrs. Charlotte E. Jameson, D. D. G. M. District No. 13,
O. E. S. of California.

Martha Washington Chapter, No. 13.

Location Visalia. Date of visit, March 3, 1911. Total membership, 151. Increase during year, 16. Money in treasury, \$339.41. Condition of books, excellent, neat and business-like. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent, prosperous and harmonious; great interest taken in the work. Ritual work finely rendered.

Tulare Chapter, No. 94.

Location, Tulare, Date of visit, March, 6, 1911. Total membership, 138. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$467.98. Condition of books, kept in neat manner. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very good; officers and members show interest in work. Ritual work well rendered.

Palm Leaf Chapter, No. 114.

Location, Porterville. Date of visit, March 7, 1911. Total membership, 191. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$301.33. Money in Charity Fund, \$11.74. Condition of books, excellent, kept in a neat manner. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Work excellently presented, showing personal interest of each officer. Ritual work finely rendered.

Bakersfield Chapter, No. 125.

Location, Bakersfield. Date of visit, March 27, 1911. Total membership, 191. Increase during year, 14. Money in treasury, \$144.46. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excel-

lent. This Chapter continues the largest in the District. Ritual work excellently rendered, every officer present. My home Chapter and I feel justly proud of it.

Delano Chapter, No. 146.

Location, Delano. Date of visit, March 14, 1911. Total membership, 60. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$280.93. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Scattered membership; on this account working under some difficulty.

Tehachapi Chapter, No. 188.

Location, Tehachapi. Date of visit, April 1, 1911. Total membership, 47. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$112.56. Condition of books, neat and in fairly good condition. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Membership greatly scattered and lack of interest shown. With the exception of three or four members the officers and members seem rather indifferent. The Worthy Grand Matron Sister Dalton paid her official visit to this Chapter the same evening I did.

Dinuba Chapter, No. 261.

Location, Dinuba. Date of visit, March 20, 1911. Total membership, 43. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$66.05. Condition of books, very neat and in good condition. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good. Ritual work very well rendered.

Monte Vista Chapter, No. 271.

Location, Orosi. Date of visit, March 21, 1911. Total membership, 38. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$70.00. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good, with earnest workers and general harmony.

Garvin Chapter, No. 285.

Location, Randsburg. Date of visit, May 17, 1911. Total membership, 26. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$47.65. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious, and very good, and future prospects good, even though working under difficulties.

Lindsay Chapter, U. D.

Location, Lindsay. Date of visit, July 11, 1911. Total membership, 15. Money in treasury, \$55.35. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—A New Chapter Instituted, June 13, 1911, so officers are new to the work but great interest taken. Good material for a prosperous Chapter.

DISTRICT NO. 14.

Report of Mrs. Daisy Cary, D. D. G. M. District No. 14, O. E. S.
of California.

Homo Chapter, No. 50.

Location, Stockton. Date of visit, March 22, 1911. Total membership, 277. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$543.78. Money in Charity Fund, \$512.50. Money in Life Membership Fund, \$500.00. Condition of books, neat and orderly. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; good attendance.

Electa Chapter, No. 72.

Location, Modesto. Date of visit, April 18, 1911. Total membership, 100. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$78.65. Condition of Books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good.

Woodbridge Chapter, No. 118.

Location, Woodbridge. Date of visit, March 18, 1911. Total membership, 126. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$122. Condition of books, good and neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent. Good Masonic support.

Elk Grove Chapter, No. 109.

Location, Elk Grove. Date of visit, May 13, 1911. Total membership, 85. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$255.84. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good. Fine Masonic support.

Lodi Chapter, No. 150.

Location, Lodi. Date of visit, March 16, 1911. Total membership, 133. Increase during year, 14. Money in treasury, \$233.85. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent.

Milton Chapter, No. 244.

Location, Milton. Date of visit, May 16, 1911. Total membership, 26. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$140. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious.

Wistaria Chapter, No. 296.

Location, Turlock. Date of visit, April 13, 1911. Total membership, 37. Money in treasury, \$37.90. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; all interested in their work.

DISTRICT NO. 15.

Report of Mrs. Irma Herron, D. D. G. M. District No. 15, O. E. S.
of California.

Marguerite Chapter, No. 78.

Location, Santa Barbara. Date of visit, February 13, 1911. Total membership, 177. Increase during year, 31. Money in treasury, \$283.81. Money in social fund, \$55.25. Condition of books, neat and accurate. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—A very capable and earnest corps of officers; harmony and prosperity prevail.

Ventura Chapter, No. 79.

Location, Ventura. Date of visit, February 10, 1911. Total membership, 163. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$223.70. Money in social fund, \$37. Condition of books, neatly and properly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Officers and members harmonious; ritualistic work very good.

Bethlehem Chapter, No. 95.

Location, Paso Robles. Date of visit, February 21, 1911. Total membership, 52. Increase during year, 1. Money in treasury, \$38.95. Condition of books, neatly and properly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—This Chapter is small and members live some distance apart.

Ramona Chapter, No. 97.

Location, Arroyo Grande. Date of visit, February 24, 1911. Total membership, 70. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$132.58. Condition of books, very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 1. General condition of Chapter—The officers are interested and do good work.

Mizpah Chapter, No. 100.

Location, Santa Maria. Date of visit, March 23, 1911. Total membership, 144. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$208.01. Condition of books, neatly and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Harmony and good will prevail; good outlook for growth.

Violet Chapter, No. 102.

Location, San Miguel. Date of visit, February 23, 1911. Total membership, 36. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$69.84. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 1. General condition of Chapter—Laboring under difficulties, as the members are scattered.

Corona Chapter, No. 107.

Location, San Luis Obispo. Date of visit, February 27, 1911. Total membership, 114. Increase during year, 23. Money in treasury, \$77.76. Money in social fund, \$3.02. Condition of books, accurate and very neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—This Chapter is in a very flourishing condition; attendance good; splendid Masonic support.

Miguelito Chapter, No. 176.

Location, Lompoc. Date of visit, February 14, 1911. Total membership, 120. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$97.75. Money in social fund, \$75. Condition of books, very good and neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Harmony and good-will prevail.

Santa Paula Chapter, No. 185.

Location, Santa Paula. Date of visit, February 7, 1911. Total membership, 146. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$76.42. Money in social fund, \$1.85. Condition of books, very good.

Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Officers very proficient and anxious to bring the work up to the standard; good Masonic support.

DISTRICT NO. 16.

Report of Mrs. Emma Blanchard, D. D. G. M. District No. 16, O. E. S. of California.

Oak Leaf Chapter, No 8.

Location, Oakland. Date of visit, February 9, 1911. Total membership, 539. Increase during year, 24. Money in treasury, \$606.48. Money in life membership fund, \$383.67. Condition of books, excellent, neatly and properly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; officers are very loyal, doing excellent work.

Unity Chapter, No. 65.

Location, Oakland. Date of visit, February 28, 1911. Total membership, 332. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$686.84. Money in life membership fund, \$80. Condition of books, excellent; neatly and accurately kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; officers earnest and capable. This is my home Chapter, of which I am very proud.

Carita Chapter, No. 115.

Location, Alameda. Date of visit, March 22, 1911. Total membership, 221. Increase during year, 13. Money in treasury, \$632.64. Money in donation fund, \$50. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals Present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very good; prosperous and harmonious.

Oakland Chapter, No. 140.

Location, Oakland. Date of visit, March 16, 1911. Total membership, 304. Increase during year, 29. Money in treasury, \$342.40.

Condition of books, excellent; neatly and accurately kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous; ritualistic work good.

Berkeley Chapter, No. 178.

Location, Berkeley. Date of visit, February 7, 1911. Total membership, 307. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$578. Money in Jewel Fund, \$73. Condition of books, good; neatly and accurately kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; Ritualistic work very earnestly rendered.

Miramar Chapter, No. 205.

Location, Point Richmond. Date of visit, February 21, 1911. Total membership, 92. Increase during year, 13. Money in treasury, \$195. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good.

Acantha Chapter, No. 249.

Location, Richmond. Date of visit, February 24, 1911. Total membership, 81. Increase during year, 13. Money in treasury, \$138.25. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good.

Athens Chapter, No. 277.

Location, Oakland. Date of visit, March 8, 1911. Total membership, 137. Increase during year, 24. Money in treasury, \$166.55. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good.

West Gate Chapter, No. 290.

Location, Berkeley. Date of visit, March 27, 1911. Total membership, 87. Increase during year, 51. Money in treasury, \$125. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of

the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good.

Golden Chain Chapter, U. D.

Location, Oakland. Date of visit, June 21, 1911. Total membership, 29. Money in treasury, \$189.15. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent. The members seem very happy and enthusiastic in this young Chapter, all working in harmony for success.

DISTRICT NO. 17.

Report of Mrs. Emma J. Alexander, D. D. G. M. District No. 17,
O. E. S. of California.

Hermosa Chapter, No. 105.

Location, Santa Ana. Date of visit, February 6, 1911. Total membership, 230. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$200.39. Money in charity fund, \$500. Money in stock in Temple Association, \$1,000. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instructions Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; attendance good.

Norwalk Chapter, No. 143.

Location, Norwalk. Date of visit, April 18, 1911. Total membership, 76. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$38.52. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very harmonious, average attendance good.

Chispa Chapter, No. 151.

Location, Anaheim. Date of visit, February 20, 1911. Total membership, 65. Money in treasury, \$248.87. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number

of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good and harmonious but with small attendance—a lack of interest among its members.

Occident Chapter, No. 160.

Location Downey. Date of visit, May, 1911. Total membership, 68. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$85. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Fair; Worthy Patron seldom filling the chair; attendance fair.

Scepter Chapter, No. 163.

Location, Orange. Date of visit, January 26, 1911. Total membership, 98. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$52.73. Condition of books, very good and neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General Condition of Chapter—Very harmonious; an earnest corps of officers; attendance good.

Fullerton Chapter, No. 191.

Location, Fullerton. Date of visit, March 18, 1911. Total membership, 119. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$163.28. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very harmonious; an excellent corps of officers; attendance good.

Buena Park Chapter, No. 240.

Location, Buena Park. Date of visit, May 8, 1911. Total membership, 36. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$13.50. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good.

Artesia Chapter, No. 253.

Location, Artesia. Date of visit, April 4, 1911. Total membership, 39. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$57. Condition of books, very neatly kept. Number of rituals present, prop-

erty of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—A good Matron, with poor support; attendance small.

DISTRICT NO. 18.

Report of Mrs. Marie Viola Johnson, D. D. G. M. District No. 18,
O. E. S. of California.

Silver Wave Chapter, No 75.

Location, San Bernardino. Date of visit, January 20, 1911. Total membership, 99. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$113.24. Condition of books, correctly kept and very neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—An excellent corps of officers, working hard for the good of the Chapter; all interested and harmonious.

Ungava Chapter, No. 106.

Location, Riverside. Date of visit, March 20, 1911. Total membership, 205. Increase during year, 13. Money in treasury, \$311.44. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Very good; fairly good attendance.

Pomona Chapter, No. 110.

Location, Pomona. Date of visit, April 8, 1911. Total membership, 242. Increase during year, 27. Money in treasury, \$239.72. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; members and officers interested in the work; good Masonic support.

Copa del Oro Chapter, No. 142.

Location, Redlands. Date of visit, February 1, 1911. Total membership, 177. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$185.75; stock in Masonic Temple Association, \$100.00. Condition of books,

neat and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—If this was not my home Chapter I would say this is the banner Chapter of my District; harmony prevails; good Masonic support.

Crown Chapter, No. 162.

Location, Corona. Date of visit, March 27, 1911. Total membership, 99. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$122.47. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Work exceptionally well rendered; very good attendance; good Masonic support.

Euclid Chapter, No. 179.

Location, Ontario. Date of visit, March 24, 1911. Total membership, 107. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$51.00. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; officers and members interested in the work; harmony prevails.

Colton Chapter, No. 211.

Location, Colton. Date of visit, April 20, 1911. Total membership, 150. Increase during year, 23. Money in treasury, \$65.58. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; Ritualistic work well rendered; good Masonic support.

Gate City Chapter, No. 212.

Location, San Bernardino. Date of visit, January 25, 1911. Total membership, 166. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$423.00. Money in Charity Fund, \$50.00. Condition of books, very neat and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very harmonious; work was very well rendered.

La Victoria Chapter, No. 241.

Location, San Jacinto. Date of visit, January 26, 1911. Total membership, 110. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$78.45. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous; an efficient corps of officers; good Masonic support.

Elsinore Chapter, No. 243.

Location, Elsinore. Date of visit, March 21, 1911. Total membership, 40. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$53.00. Condition of books, good and neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—All officers gladly received the instructions; ambitious to make this Chapter a success.

DISTRICT NO. 19.

Report of Mrs. Rhoda E. Taylor, D. D. G. M. District No. 19,
O. E. S. of California.

Yolo Chapter, No. 60.

Location, Woodland. Date of visit, April 28, 1911. Total membership, 220. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$359.96. Condition of books, excellent; a very efficient Secretary. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; Ritualistic and floor work most perfectly rendered; splendid Masonic support.

Molino Chapter, No. 83.

Location, Tehama. Date of visit, February 24, 1911. Total membership, 45. Money in treasury, \$20.00. Condition of books, good; a competent Secretary. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 1. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 1. General condition of Chapter—Good; very earnest workers.

Veritas Chapter, No. 84.

Location, Colusa. Date of visit, February 21, 1911. Total membership, 94. Money in treasury, \$200.00. Condition of books, well kept; writing very legible. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; very earnest, sincere workers; a most harmonious and fraternal spirit prevailing throughout the Chapter.

Marshall Chapter, No. 86.

Location, Willows. Date of visit, February 15, 1911. Total membership, 149. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$141.60. Money in Charity Fund, \$135.00. Condition of books, splendid; a competent Secretary. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Splendid; good Masonic support.

Ionia Chapter, No. 199.

Location, Davis. Date of visit, April 3, 1911. Total membership, 63. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$147.90. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; officers earnest in their work; splendid Masonic support.

Citrus Chapter, No. 208.

Location, Orland. Date of visit, February 18, 1911. Total membership, 74. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$263.61. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; work very well rendered; earnest workers; good Masonic support.

Loyal Chapter, No. 223.

Location, Williams. Date of visit, February 22, 1911. Total membership, 53. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$88.80. Condition of books, correctly kept and neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4; 1 Diagram. Number of In-

struction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4; 1 Syllabus. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious and excellent; good Masonic support.

Mystic Star Chapter, No. 279.

Location, Corning. Date of visit, February 27, 1911. Total membership, 44. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$69.70. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Splendid and progressive; a beautiful fraternal spirit existing.

DISTRICT NO. 20.

Report of Mrs. Hattie Bertha Morrison, D. D. G. M. District No. 20, O. E. S. of California.

Evangeline Chapter, No. 9.

Location, Nevada City. Date of visit, March 21, 1911. Total membership, 142. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$292.54. Condition of books, concisely and neatly kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Flourishing; harmony prevails; good Masonic support.

Aurora Chapter, No. 40.

Location, Grass Valley. Date of visit, March 20, 1911. Total membership, 154. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$70.19. Condition of books, neatly and accurately kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; excellent Masonic support.

Crystal Chapter, No. 57.

Location, Auburn. Date of visit, April 13, 1911. Total membership, 121. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$881.34. Condition of books, very neat; Black Book kept. Number of Rituals

present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; good Masonic support; Chapter harmonious and prosperous.

Mountain Fern Chapter, No. 62.

Location, Georgetown. Date of visit, June 17, 1911. Total membership, 55. Money in treasury, \$27.34. Condition of books, neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Favorable; officers interested and outlook promising.

Penrhyn Chapter, No. 159.

Location, Penryn. Date of visit, April 8, 1911. Total membership, 74. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$530.42. Condition of books, good; Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; excellent Masonic support and officers interested in the work.

Heber Chapter, No. 181.

Location, Rocklin. Date of visit, March 2, 1911. Total membership, 50. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$250.00. Condition of books, good; Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious and prosperous.

Natoma Chapter, No. 233.

Location, Folsom. Date of visit, March 27, 1911. Total membership, 68. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$123.84. Money in Social Fund, \$7.87. Condition of books, excellent, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; harmony and good-will prevail; excellent Masonic support.

Bethany Chapter, U. D.

Location, Colfax. Date of visit, June 9, 1911. Total membership, 28. Money in treasury, \$40.55. Condition of books, very neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; officers greatly interested and striving for proficiency in the work.

DISTRICT NO. 21.

Report of Mrs. Lessie Rainey Hancock, D. D. G. M. District No. 21, O. E. S. of California.

San Jose Chapter, No. 31.

Location, San Jose. Date of visit, February 21, 1911. Total membership, 409. Increase during year, 51. Money in treasury, \$617.78. Money in Charity Fund, \$25.00. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Flourishing; harmony and prosperity prevail.

Los Gatos Chapter, No. 128.

Location, Los Gatos. Date of visit, February 6, 1911. Total membership, 163. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$208.44. Condition of books, very neat and well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; good Masonic support; enthusiastic officers and members.

Miramonte Chapter, No. 141.

Location, Mountain View. Date of visit, March 1, 1911. Total membership, 47. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$132.73. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good.

Laurel Chapter, No. 136.

Location, San Mateo. Date of visit, February 27, 1911. Total membership, 99. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury,

\$187.68. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; enthusiastic officers.

Santa Clara Chapter, No. 195.

Location, Santa Clara. Date of visit, March 18, 1911. Total membership, 174. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$220.69. Money in Charity Fund, \$10.00. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—I found the work good; splendid Masonic support.

Sequoia Chapter, No. 203.

Location, Redwood City. Date of visit, February 20, 1911. Total membership, 81. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$329.35. Condition of books, I found the books in good condition. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Harmonious; members and officers striving to bring the work up to good standard.

Palo Alto Chapter, No. 213.

Location, Palo Alto. Date of visit, March 15, 1911. Total membership, 133. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$86.75; Jewel Fund, \$21.00. Condition of books, very neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; a very fine corps of officers; good Masonic support.

Sunnyvale Chapter, No. 250.

Location, Sunnyvale. Date of visit, May 11, 1911. Total membership, 46. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$11.55. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Fair; they are enthusiastic and hope to do well in the future.

Burlingame Chapter, No. 275.

Location, Burlingame. Date of visit, March 4, 1911. Total membership, 98. Increase during year, 26. Money in treasury, \$126.03. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; splendid Masonic support.

Fraternity Chapter, No. 288.

Location, San Jose. Date of visit, March 28, 1911. Total membership, 113. Increase during year, 47. Money in treasury, 322.40. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; splendid Masonic support. This is my home Chapter, of which I am very proud.

DISTRICT NO. 22.

Report of Mrs. Belle Coffman, D. D. G. M. District No. 22, O. E. S. of California.

Jasmine Chapter, No. 145.

Location, Azusa. Date of visit, March 3, 1911. Total membership, 108. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$74.44; \$85.00 Masonic stock. Condition of books, neat and well kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; officers earnest and capable.

Los Angeles Chapter, No. 168.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 6, 1911. Total membership, 279. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$350.36; \$500.00 in Masonic bonds. Condition of books, good; Black Book neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good officers and members; enthusiastic and wide-awake; harmony prevails.

Lexington Chapter, No. 172.

Location, El Monte. Date of visit, April 11, 1911. Total membership, 84. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$97.22. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Fairly good and harmonious.

Pacific Chapter, No. 192.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 25, 1911. Total membership, 186. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$418.88. Money in Social Fund, \$141.66. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; a most harmonious and fraternal feeling seems to exist.

Alhambra Chapter, No. 193.

Location, Alhambra. Date of visit, February 7, 1911. Total membership, 143. Increase during year, 13. Money in treasury, \$156.60; Masonic stock, \$270.00. Money in Life Membership Fund, \$25.00. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; officers do excellent work.

La Paloma Chapter, No. 202.

Location, Covina. Date of visit, May 9, 1911. Total membership, 109. Increase during year, 21. Money in treasury, \$212.85; \$100.00 in Masonic Hall stock. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good in every respect; Ritual work well rendered; perfect harmony.

Sunset Chapter, No. 216.

Location, Los Angeles, Cal. Date of visit, February 8, 1911. Total membership, 235. Money in treasury, \$316.42. Money in Charity Fund, \$200.00. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction

Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; the officers and members earnestly striving for the welfare of the Chapter.

Monrovia Chapter, No. 227.

Location, Monrovia. Date of visit, February 21, 1911. Total membership, 101. Increase during year, 20. Money in treasury, \$163.16. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Earnest and energetic officers; Ritual work good.

Westlake Chapter, No. 268.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 14, 1911. Total membership, 143. Increase during year, 32. Money in treasury, \$54.35. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; a true fraternal spirit prevailing; officers capable and earnest in their work.

Sierra Madre Chapter, U. D.

Location, Sierra Madre. Date of visit, May 1, 1911. Total membership, 27. Money in treasury, \$58.00. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; all anxious to make this Chapter a success; good Masonic support.

DISTRICT NO. 23.

Report of Mrs. Ella Roberts Dunbar, D. D. G. M. District No. 23, O. E. S. of California.

Golden Star Chapter, No. 66.

Location, Jackson. Date of visit, March 18, 1911. Total membership, 96. Money in treasury, \$204.00. Condition of books, carefully and neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the

Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; an excellent corps of officers, earnest and capable in the performance of the Ritualistic work; good attendance and splendid Masonic support.

Queen Esther Chapter, No. 71.

Location, Sutter Creek. Date of visit, March 20, 1911. Total membership, 72. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$188.65. Condition of books, excellent and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very good; officers eager for instruction; good Masonic support.

Azalia Chapter, No. 77.

Location, San Andreas. Date of visit, April 18, 1911. Total membership, 64. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$79.18. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; the work of this Chapter was well done; Masonic support is lacking.

Tuolumne Star Chapter, No. 123.

Location, Sonora. Date of visit, April 6, 1911. Total membership, 124. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$239.30. Condition of books, very neatly and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; the Chapter exemplified the work well; the officers are earnest workers; Masonic support is lacking.

Angels Chapter, No. 134.

Location, Angels. Date of visit, March 2, 1911. Total membership, 67. Increase during year, 1. Money in treasury, \$72.00. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; the officers doing good work; good Masonic support.

Crescent Chapter, No. 165.

Location, Murphys. Date of visit, April 22, 1911. Total membership, 59. Money in treasury, \$222.00. Condition of books, neatly and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Good; attendance fair; has Masonic support.

Hilda Chapter, No. 194.

Location, Mokelumne Hill. Date of visit, April 12, 1911. Total membership, 55. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$43.36. Condition of books, well kept by an efficient Secretary. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Good; the attendance is fair; peace, harmony and good will abounds.

Ione Chapter, No. 283.

Location, Ione. Date of visit, March 23, 1911. Total membership, 47. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$106.65. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; harmony and good feeling prevail; attendance excellent; good Masonic support.

DISTRICT NO. 24.

Report of Mrs. Margaret Isabell Watterson, D. D. G. M. District No. 24, O. E. S. of California.

Mt. Whitney Chapter, No. 197.

Location, Bishop. Date of visit, April 22, 1911. Total membership, 98. Money in treasury, \$60.73. Money in Charity Fund, \$87.00. Condition of books, fair. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 1. General condition of Chapter—Good.

DISTRICT NO. 25.

Report of Mrs. Jennie I. Hale, D. D. G. M. District No. 25, O. E. S. of California.

Ariel Chapter, No. 42.

Location, Antioch. Date of visit, March 20, 1911. Total membership, 141. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$149.61. Condition of books, good; splendid Secretary. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Active.

Crockett Chapter, No. 184.

Location, Crockett. Date of visit, March 25, 1911. Total membership, 76. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$130.59. Condition of books, well kept and up-to-date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; the Ritualistic work as near perfect as possible; great interest taken by all members and attendance good.

Maspha Chapter, No. 198.

Location, Brentwood. Date of visit, April 12, 1911. Total membership, 69. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$70.00. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; attendance good; many good loyal members.

Almona Chapter, No. 214.

Location, Walnut Creek. Date of visit, May 6, 1911. Total membership, 89. Increase during year, 12. Money in treasury, \$90.70. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; loyal workers and attendance good.

Pinole Chapter, No. 220.

Location, Pinole. Date of visit, May 9, 1911. Total membership, 47. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$105.25. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; the interest in the Ritualistic work is genuine and every effort made toward perfection.

Los Ceritos Chapter, No. 234.

Location, Martinez. Date of visit, March 8, 1911. Total membership, 63. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$72.33. Condition of books, in fine order. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; interest good in Ritualistic work.

DISTRICT NO. 26.

Report of Mrs. Eliza Grindle, D. D. G. M. District No. 26, O. E. S. of California.

Kingsley Chapter, No. 58.

Location, Ukiah. Date of visit, May 1, 1911. Total membership, 165. Increase during year, 13. Money in treasury, \$31.75. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; an excellent corps of officers and good Masonic support.

Augusta Chapter, No. 80.

Location, Covelo. Date of visit, April 20, 1911. Total membership, 53. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$100.09. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Fair.

Ocean View Chapter, No. 111.

Location, Mendocino. Date of visit, March 18, 1911. Total membership, 84. Increase during year, 5. Money in treasury, \$232.77.

Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; good Masonic support. This is my home Chapter, of which I am very proud.

Clear Lake Chapter, No. 137.

Location, Lakeport. Date of visit, April 27, 1911. Total membership, 123. Increase during year, 12. Money in treasury, \$200.00. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; officers anxious to receive instructions, and working hard for the good of the Chapter.

Sapphire Chapter, No. 230.

Location, Fort Bragg. Date of visit, April 18, 1911. Total membership, 88. Increase during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$305.29. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; the work was very well done; good Masonic support.

Lower Lake Chapter, No. 231.

Location, Lower Lake. Date of visit, April 28, 1911. Total membership, 34. Money in treasury, \$68.62. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Fair; membership scattered.

Casimir Chapter, No. 252.

Location, Ukiah. Date of visit, April 25, 1911. Total membership, 104. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$112.76. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; splendid Masonic support; attendance fine; all are working for the best interest of the Chapter.

Point Arena Chapter, No. 291.

Location, Point Arena. Date of visit, March 14, 1911. Total membership, 32. Money in treasury, \$37.15. Condition of books,

good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good.

DISTRICT NO. 27.

Report of Miss May F. Carter, D. D. G. M. District No. 27, O. E. S. of California.

Harmony Chapter, No. 124.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 2, 1911. Total membership, 199. Condition of books, very neatly and correctly kept. Black Book posted up to date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous; ritualistic work well done; officers and members striving to promote the best interests of the Chapter.

Mission Chapter, No. 155.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, March 11, 1911. Total membership, 603. Loss during year, 2. Money in treasury, \$1,709.80. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous; ritualistic work very well done.

Aloha Chapter, No. 206.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, April 1, 1911. Total membership, 63. Money in treasury, \$1,085.26. Condition of books, correctly and neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; ritualistic work very well done.

Yerba Buena Chapter, No. 228.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 18, 1911. Total membership, 142. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$300.67. Money in Charity Fund, \$182.97. Condition of books, excellent, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property

of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; ritualistic work almost perfectly rendered; officers and members interested in welfare of Chapter.

Imperial Chapter, No. 229.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 15, 1911. Total membership, 82. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$104.12. Condition of books, good; great improvement over last year. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; ritualistic work well rendered; officers earnest in their work.

Richmond Chapter, No. 255.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, March 23, 1911. Total membership, 96. Increase during year, 17. Money in treasury, \$128.07. Money in California Safe Deposit, \$192.23. Condition of books, excellent, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Happy and prosperous; ritualistic work well done; each and every member trying to promote the welfare of their Chapter.

Amity Chapter, No. 262.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, March 14, 1911. Total membership, 92. Increase during year, 20. Money in treasury, \$394.43. Condition of books, very neatly and correctly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very harmonious; officers earnest and striving to be perfect; they have the hearty support of members.

Parnassus Chapter, No. 269.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, March 16, 1911. Total membership, 78. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$96.53. Condition of books, neatly and accurately kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Happy and prosperous; true fraternal spirit to be found in this Chapter; ritualistic work very well given.

Amo Chapter, No. 280.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, March 8, 1911. Total membership, 68. Increase during year, 17. Money in treasury, \$45.81. Jewel and Social Fund, \$13.62. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous; officers and members earnest; ritualistic work fairly well rendered.

Albert Pike Chapter, No. 284.

Location, San Francisco. Date of visit, February 23, 1911. Total membership, 56. Money in treasury, \$179.15. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Fair; officers trying to do their best.

DISTRICT NO. 28.

Report of Mrs. Christina B. Hartell, Special Deputy G. M. for District No. 28, O. E. S. of California.

Needles Chapter, No. 242.

Location, Needles. Date of visit, March 8, 1911. Total membership, 60. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$88.60. Condition of books, neatly and properly kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; harmony prevails; officers excelling in good work.

DISTRICT NO. 29.

Report of Mrs. Armenia Boice Packer, D. D. G. M. District No. 29, O. E. S. of California.

Pasadena Chapter, No. 108.

Location, Pasadena. Date of visit, March 17, 1911. Total membership, 517. Increase during year, 56. Money in treasury, \$512.54. Money in Masonic Temple Association, \$1,500.00. Money in South-

ern California Masonic Home Association, \$25.00. Condition of books, good. Black Book kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; an active and prosperous Chapter; the officers do good work; attendance good.

Carnation Chapter, No. 171.

Location, Redondo. Date of visit, February 14, 1911. Total membership, 91. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$84.60. Condition of books, good. Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Good; the officers and members interested in keeping their work up to a high standard. Good Masonic support.

Hollywood Chapter, No. 209.

Location, Hollywood. Date of visit, February 13, 1911. Total membership, 140. Increase during year, 17. Money in treasury, \$79.16. Condition of books, good; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous; the officers do good work and have the support of the membership, all working together in harmony.

Glen Eyrie Chapter, No. 237.

Location, Glendale. Date of visit, March 18, 1911. Total membership, 68. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$49.05. Condition of books, good; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good. All the officers take an active interest in the work and have the loyal support of the membership of the Chapter.

Columbia Chapter, No. 247.

Location, Sawtelle. Date of visit, February 23, 1911. Total membership, 93. Increase during year, 13. Money in treasury, \$156.67. Condition of books, good; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books

present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good, with a corps of capable officers who are anxious for the prosperity of their Chapter.

Highland Park Chapter, No. 263.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 27, 1911. Total membership, 125. Increase during year, 30. Money in treasury, \$146.49. Condition of books, excellent; Black Book kept up to date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good, the officers working in harmony for the success of the Chapter and anxious to excel in the ritualistic work of the Order; attendance good.

Daylight Chapter, No. 265.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, March 17, 1911. Total membership, 100. Increase during year, 34. Money in treasury, \$278.69. Condition of books, good; carefully and accurately kept; Black Book written up to date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; the officers anxious for perfect rendition of the ritualistic work; attendance good.

Garvanza Chapter, No. 266.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, March 21, 1911. Total membership, 92. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$169.10. Condition of books, good; black lists kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Fair; the officers are anxious for the welfare of their Chapter, but feel the lack of Masonic support.

South Pasadena Chapter, No. 272.

Location, South Pasadena. Date of visit, March 23, 1911. Total membership, 75. Increase during year, 20. Money in treasury, \$93.45. Condition of books, very good; Black Book written up to date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. Gen-

eral condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; officers and members are working together for the good of the Order. This is my home Chapter, of which I have every reason to be proud.

DISTRICT NO. 30.

Report of Miss Birdie R. Rickart, D. D. G. M. District No. 30,
O. E. S. of California.

Madera Chapter, No. 92.

Location, Madera. Date of visit, March 17, 1911. Total membership, 83. Increase during two years, 14. Money in treasury, \$142.20. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; work well rendered.

Mercedes Chapter, No. 126.

Location, Merced. Date of visit, March 20, 1911. Total membership, 108. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$150. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious.

Summit Chapter, No. 138.

Location, Knights Ferry. Date of visit, April 15, 1911. Total membership, 37. Increase during two years, 5. Money in treasury, \$49. Condition of books, excellent. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Fair; members scattered, but all taking an interest in the work.

Las Mariposas Chapter, No. 200.

Location, Mariposa. Date of visit, March 14, 1911. Total membership, 36. Increase during two years, 3. Money in treasury, \$167.70. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; members scattered, but those present enthusiastic.

Oakdale Chapter, No. 226.

Location, Oakdale. Date of visit, March 9, 1911. Total membership, 56. Increase during two years, 13. Money in treasury, \$223.33. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; an earnest set of officers anxious to receive instructions and bring their work up to a good standard. The Chapter is in a prosperous condition.

DISTRICT NO. 31.

Report of Mrs. Lucile Irene Mead, D. D. G. M. District No. 31,
O. E. S. of California.

Santa Monica Chapter, No. 113.

Location, Santa Monica. Date of visit, March 20, 1911. Total membership, 122. Increase during year, 7. Money in treasury, \$87.14. Condition of books, excellent; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; most harmonious officers, earnest and proficient in the work.

Pearl Chapter, No. 147.

Location, Compton. Date of visit, April 3, 1911. Total membership, 81. Money in treasury, \$37.50. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Fair; officers trying hard to support the Chapter, but entire lack of interest among the members.

Harbor Chapter, No. 174.

Location, San Pedro. Date of visit, March 14, 1911. Total membership, 114. Increase during year, 10. Money in treasury, \$121.41. Money in Masonic Temple stock, \$555. Condition of books, very good; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; work well rendered.

Loyalty Chapter, No. 217.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 9, 1911. Total membership, 265. Increase during year, 27. Money in treasury, \$2,727.02. Money in charity fund, \$445.40. Condition of books, excellent; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 2. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; harmony, hospitality and prosperity exist; good attendance; officers earnest and capable in the work.

East Gate Chapter, No. 225.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 14, 1911. Total membership, 163. Increase during year, 18. Money in treasury, \$243.35. Condition of books, excellent; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; the spirit of harmony and good will exists; officers very enthusiastic; work well rendered.

Ocean Park Chapter, No. 245.

Location, Ocean Park. Date of visit, March 2, 1911. Total membership, 95. Increase during year, 22. Money in treasury, \$82. Condition of books, especially good; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—A most prosperous and harmonious Chapter; work exceedingly well rendered.

Oriental Chapter, No. 258.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 21, 1911. Total membership, 144. Increase during year, 32. Money in treasury, \$218.18. Condition of books, excellent; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; prosperous; officers energetic and ambitious for the success of their Chapter.

Gardena Chapter, No. 260.

Location, Gardena. Date of visit, February 16, 1911. Total membership, 45. Increase during year, 8. Money in treasury, \$110.55.

Condition of books, well kept; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; harmony prevails.

Pleiades Chapter, No. 281.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, February 15, 1911. Total membership, 87. Increase during year, 20. Money in treasury, \$76.15. Money in general fund, \$138.30. Condition of books, excellent; Black Book kept up. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 3. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; harmony and prosperity exists; energetic corps of officers.

Halcyon Chapter, U. D.

Location, Los Angeles. Date of visit, March 28, 1911. Total membership, 55. Money in treasury, \$58.67. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and harmonious; officers efficient in their work; good attendance; interest and enthusiasm prevail.

DISTRICT NO. 32.

Report of Mrs. Priscilla MacNutt, D. D. G. M. District No. 32, O. E. S. of California.

Southern Star Chapter, No. 96.

Location, San Diego. Date of visit, February 16, 1911. Total membership, 288. Increase during year, 27. Money in treasury, \$215. Money in furnishing fund, \$500. Money in charity fund, \$12.30. Money in Masonic Temple Association, \$500. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent.

Escondido Chapter, No. 154.

Location, Escondido. Date of visit, February 7, 1911. Total membership, 71. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$58.85.

Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent.

San Diego Chapter, No. 264.

Location, San Diego. Date of visit, February 21, 1911. Total membership, 101. Increase during year, 27. Money in treasury, \$239.84. Money in Masonic Temple Association, \$100. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent.

Poinsettia Chapter, No. 287.

Location, Oceanside. Date of visit, March 7, 1911. Total membership, 33. Increase during year, 4. Money in treasury, \$29.88. Condition of books, very good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good.

La Mesa Chapter, U. D.

Location, La Mesa. Date of visit, June 3, 1911. Total membership, 33. Money in treasury, \$86.36. Condition of books, good and very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Excellent. I find this Chapter very enthusiastic and doing good work.

DISTRICT NO. 33.

Report of Mrs. Christena B. Hartell, Special Deputy G. M. District No. 33, O. E. S. of California.

Golden Rule Chapter, No. 267.

Location, Imperial. Date of visit, March 3, 1911. Total membership, 77. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$76.20. Condition of books, very well kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very good; prosperous and harmonious.

Signal Chapter, No. 276.

Location, El Centro. Date of visit, February 27, 1911. Total membership, 62. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$120.15. Condition of books, very neat and well kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Excellent; ritualistic work exceedingly well rendered.

Alamo Chapter, No. 289.

Location, Brawley. Date of visit, February 23, 1911. Total membership, 41. Increase during year, 6. Money in treasury, \$31.64. Condition of books, very well kept, including Black Book. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Good; officers excell in ritualistic work; harmony prevails.

DISTRICT NO. 34.

Report of Mrs. Mary E. Westcott, D. D. G. M. District No. 34,
O. E. S. of California.

Golden Wave Chapter, No. 103.

Location, San Leandro. Date of visit, March 17, 1911. Total membership, 123. Increase during year, 3. Money in treasury, \$139.49. Condition of books, neatly kept; Black Book kept up to date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; an interested corps of officers; ritualistic work well rendered.

Semper Fidells Chapter, No. 135.

Location, Livermore. Date of visit, February 20, 1911. Total membership, 110. Increase during year, 9. Money in treasury, \$200. Condition of books, excellent; very neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Very good and very harmonious; excellent Masonic support.

Orient Chapter, No. 177.

Location, Centerville. Date of visit, April 12, 1911. Total membership, 106. Money in treasury, \$444.30. Condition of books, neat. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; a scattered membership, very harmonious.

San Rafael Chapter, No. 215.

Location, San Rafael. Date of visit, March 27, 1911. Total membership, 118. Increase during year, 15. Money in treasury, \$89.17. Money in charity fund, \$12.15. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous. The officers do their work well; the Chapter has good Masonic support.

Mill Valley Chapter, No. 219.

Location, Mill Valley. Date of visit, March 2, 1911. Total membership, 78. Increase during year, 11. Money in treasury, \$232.48. Condition of books, very neat; Black Book kept up to date. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Prosperous and most harmonious; an excellent corps of officers and earnest workers; ritualistic work well rendered.

Marietta Chapter, No. 256.

Location, Oakland. Date of visit, March 14, 1911. Total membership, 70. Increase during year, 18. Money in treasury, \$99.66. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 3. General condition of Chapter—Good; ritualistic work well rendered.

Elvesta Chapter, No. 293.

Location, Oakland. Date of visit, March 16, 1911. Total membership, 60. Increase during year, 20. Money in treasury, \$260.05. Condition of books, neatly kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, prop-

erty of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very prosperous; officers are earnest workers; good Masonic support and attendance.

Pleasanton Chapter, No. 294.

Location, Pleasanton. Date of visit, February 24, 1911. Total membership, 30. Money in treasury, \$131.85. Money in social fund, \$23.45. Condition of books, nicely kept. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very harmonious and good-will prevail; the officers are earnest workers and show great interest.

Fruitvale Chapter, U. D.

Location, Oakland. Date of visit, March 1, 1911. Total membership, 26. Money in treasury, \$28.15. Condition of books, good. Number of Rituals present, property of the Chapter, 4. Number of Instruction Books present, property of the Chapter, 4. General condition of Chapter—Very good; a very good corps of officers; ambitious, earnest workers; good attendance.

Which address was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The Grand Secretary then presented her annual report to the Grand Chapter:

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of California—
Sisters and Brothers:*

The undersigned here with presents to this Grand Body her twenty-ninth annual report.

In due time the Proceedings of the last annual session were printed and distributed in the same manner as has been heretofore many times mentioned.

Later in the year the Roster of the members of the Subordinate Chapters in this State was printed and distributed in like order.

January 7, 1911, a list of the Worthy Matrons, Worthy Patrons and Secretaries of Subordinate Chapters, with the officers' addresses, were printed and two copies mailed to each Chapter in the jurisdiction, one for the Matron and the other for the use of the Secretary.

Circulars giving the list of the suspensions, rejections, reinstatements and expulsions occurring in the jurisdiction have been printed quarterly and copies mailed to each Subordinate Chapter, as required by our Constitution.

Copies of the annual proceedings of the various Grand Chapters with which we are in correspondence, for the year 1910, have been received at this office and copies have been mailed to the chairman of your Committee on Fraternal Correspondence.

CHARTERS ISSUED.

Charters as ordered by this Grand Chapter at its last annual session have been engrossed and forwarded to the nine Chapters to which they had been granted. They are numbered and located as follows:

Fraternity Chapter, No. 288—at San Jose, Santa Clara County.
Alamo Chapter, No. 289—at Brawley, Imperial County.
West Gate Chapter, No. 290—at Berkeley, Alameda County.
Point Arena Chapter, No. 291—at Point Arena, Mendocino County.
Rose Chapter, No. 292—at Roseville, Placer County.
Elvesta Chapter, No. 293—at Oakland, Alameda County.
Pleasanton Chapter, No. 294—at Pleasanton, Alameda County.
Fresno Chapter, No. 295—at Fresno, Fresno County.
Wistaria Chapter, No. 296—at Turlock, Stanislaus County.

DISPENSATIONS FOR NEW CHAPTERS.

Since the close of our last annual session, under the direction of our Worthy Grand Patron, dispensations for ten new Chapters have been issued from this office. Their names and location follow:

December 21, 1910—Fruitvale Chapter, at Oakland, Alameda County.
December 22, 1910—Halcyon Chapter, at Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.

January 16, 1911—Sierra Madre Chapter, at Sierra Madre, Los Angeles County.

February 24, 1911—La Mesa Chapter, at La Mesa, San Diego County.

February 27, 1911—Ada Chapter, at Sacramento, Sacramento County.

April 12, 1911—Miriam Chapter, at Perris, Riverside County.

April 28, 1911—Golden Chain Chapter, at Oakland, Alameda County.

May 1, 1911—Ruth Chapter, at South San Francisco, San Mateo County.

May 9, 1911—Bethany Chapter, at Colfax, Placer County.

May 24, 1911—Lindsay Chapter, at Lindsay, Tulare County.

The books of record of the above-named Chapters have been referred to the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS.

During the year, by direction of our Grand Matron, twenty-six special dispensations for sundry purposes, as follows, have issued from this office:

To elect officers at other than the time named in the Constitution of the Grand Chapter—two.

To receive petitions and ballot thereon the same evening received—four.

To rebalot upon rejected petitions—thirteen.

To receive petitions within the constitutional limit of time—five.

To initiate a class of more than six candidates—one.

To hold a meeting of the Chapter at the Masonic Home, Decoto—one.

INVITATIONS.

Invitations to attend our thirty-ninth annual session were sent out by direction of our Grand Matron and Grand Patron to the Grand Matrons, Grand Patrons and Grand Secretaries of Sister Grand Jurisdictions and to the officers of the General Grand Chapter.

REGRETS

Have been received from officers of the Grand Chapters of other States at their inability to attend our thirty-ninth annual session.

INVITATIONS

To the members of this Grand Chapter to attend their annual sessions have been received from Sister Grand Chapters.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA.

Commissions have been issued from this office under the direction of the Grand Matron to the following-named sisters as the Representatives of the Grand Chapter of California near their respective Grand Chapters:

Indiana—Miss Blanche Regett.
Iowa—Mrs. Jennie A. Rule.
Kansas—Mrs. Jennie L. V. Brewster.
New Hampshire—Mrs. Estelle Libbey.
North Carolina—Mrs. Charles Peterson.
North Dakota—Mrs. Josie C. Aurland.
Pennsylvania—Mrs. Jennie Wood.
South Dakota—Mrs. Jeannette E. Herried.
Tennessee—Miss Emma Taylor.
Texas—Mrs. Minnie V. Ward.
Vermont—Mrs. Willis E. Griswold.
Washington—Mrs. Libbie J. Demorest.
Wyoming—Mrs. Carrie R. Fisher.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS.

Commissions for the Representatives of other Grand Chapters near the Grand Chapter of California have been received at this office (with two exceptions), recorded and mailed to the several sisters named therein, as follows:

District of Columbia—Mary Josephine Young.
Florida—Mrs. Jennie Prentice Mossholder.
Georgia—Mrs. Gertrude Swain Freeman.
Illinois—Mrs. Mabel Boyd Seymour.
Indiana—Mrs. Annie E. Briggs.
Iowa—Mrs. Anna C. Lynn.
Kansas—Mrs. Tryphinnie Bayard Janes.
Kentucky—Mrs. Adaline Bloom Runyon.

Missouri—Mrs. Anna Nancy Skinner.
New Hampshire—Mrs. Emilie Cartwright Swain.
New Mexico—Mrs. Elmira Frances West.
Oklahoma—Augusta Dunn Wilson.
Oregon—Mrs. Mande Noble Haven.
Tennessee—Mrs. Hattie Elizabeth Alexander.
Vermont—Mrs. Sarah Isabelle Hubbard.
Washington—Mrs. Anna Dreher Dudderar.
Wyoming—Mrs. Lulu Lucas.
Scotland—Mrs. Rosa Josephine Burns.

INSTITUTION OF NEW CHAPTERS.

By invitation of our Grand Patron, Grand Matron, and Grand Associate Patron, it has been my privilege to assist at the institution of four new Chapters this year, as follows:

December 21, 1910—Fruitvale Chapter, at Fruitvale; instituted by our Grand Matron.

March 23, 1911—Ada Chapter, at Sacramento; instituted by our Grand Associate Patron.

April 28, 1911—Golden Chain Chapter, at Oakland; instituted by our Grand Patron.

May 9, 1911—Bethany Chapter, at Colfax; instituted by our Grand Associate Patron.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

Under the direction of our Grand Matron, "New Year's Greetings" were sent out to every Chapter and to all Grand and Past Grand Officers of this jurisdiction, to our District Deputies, and the Grand Representatives of this and of other jurisdictions, as well as to the chairmen of our standing committees, and to the Matrons, Patrons and Secretaries of other Grand Chapters.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

Under the direction of our Grand Matron, commissions for thirty-two District Deputy Grand Matrons and for two Special Deputies have been issued from this office to the sisters named by her, a list of whose names appear in the report of our Worthy Grand Matron.

GRAND CHAPTER DIMITS ISSUED.

Upon application therefor and upon the receipt of the dues to be paid as required by the Constitution of the Grand Chapter, Grand Chapter Dimits have been issued to the following named sisters and brothers:

October 14, 1910—Sister Caroline Smith and Brother Geo. Reed Smith.

October 29, 1910—Sister Helen Mason.

November 7, 1910—Sister Jane S. Rudback.

November 8, 1910—Sister Christine Hansen.

November 15, 1910—Sisters Modesta Newton, Amanda Rasmussen, Mary Julia Rasmussen and Brother Neils J. Rasmussen.

November 11, 1910—Sister Anna L. Baly and Brother Henry Baly.

All of whom were former members of San Pedro Chapter, No. 236, of San Pedro.

December 19, 1910—Brother Fred Wm. Harms, formerly a member of our late Galt Chapter, No. 158, of Galt.

January 18, 1911—Sister Rhoda Higgins and Brother Andrew Higgins, formerly members of our late Manzanita Chapter, No. 69, of Calistoga.

February 11, 1911—Sister Mary Kearth and Brother Cyril A. Stebbins, formerly members of our late Golden State Chapter, No. 180, at Arbuckle.

April 15, 1911—Mrs. Jessie R. Foster, formerly a member of Golden State Chapter, No. 180.

BY-LAWS AND AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS APPROVED.

Copies of By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws, approved by our Grand Patron, have been received and placed on file in this office as follows:

By-Laws—Fruitvale Chapter, U. D.; Halcyon Chapter, U. D.; Sierra Madre Chapter, U. D.; La Mesa Chapter, U. D.; Ruth Chapter, U. D.; Ada Chapter, U. D.; Miriam Chapter, U. D.; Golden Chain Chapter, U. D.; Bethany Chapter, U. D.; Lindsay Chapter, U. D.; Columbus Chapter, No. 117; Fraternity Chapter, No. 288.

Amendments to By-Laws—Harmony Chapter, No. 124; Albert Pike Chapter, No. 284; Loyalty Chapter, No. 217; Lyra Chapter, No. 144; Santa Clara Chapter, No. 195; Wistaria Chapter, No. 296; Ideal Chapter, No. 251; Elvesta Chapter, No. 293; Mt. Whitney Chapter, No. 197; Columbus Chapter, No. 117; Columbia Chapter, No. 247; Carita Chapter, No. 115; Southern Star Chapter, No. 96; San Rafael Chapter, No. 215; Albert Pike Chapter, No. 284; Clover Leaf Chapter, No. 130; Los Gatos Chapter, No. 128; Josephine Chapter, No. 104; South Pasa-

dena Chapter, No. 272; Pleasanton Chapter, No. 294; Fresno Chapter, No. 295; Amo Chapter, No. 280; Fresno Chapter, No. 295; Marshall Chapter, No. 86; Eschscholtzia Chapter, No. 270; Palm Leaf Chapter, No. 114; Amity Chapter, No. 262; Pearl Chapter, No. 147; Garvanza Chapter, No. 266; Amity Chapter, No. 262; Crystal Chapter, No. 57; Signal Chapter, No. 276; Sacramento Chapter, No. 190; South Gate Chapter, No. 133; San Diego Chapter, No. 264; Keystone Chapter, No. 235; Amo Chapter, No. 280; Yolo Chapter, No. 60; California Chapter, No. 183; Naomi Chapter, No. 36; Long Beach Chapter, No. 173; Raisina Chapter, No. 89; Haleyon Chapter, U. D.; North Star Chapter, No. 254; Golden Gate Chapter, No. 1; California Chapter, No. 183; Imperial Chapter, No. 129; West Gate Chapter, No. 290.

The approval of the Grand Patron being but temporary, the foregoing By-Laws and Amendments to By-Laws have been placed in the hands of the chairman of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, and they will be submitted to this Grand Chapter for final action.

The books of By-Laws of the Chapters now working under dispensation have also been placed in the hands of the same committee.

FINES FOR THE LOSS OF RITUALS AND SYLLABUS.

In conformity with the recommendation adopted at the session of this Grand Chapter held in 1908, fines for loss of Rituals, Syllabus and Instruction Books have been imposed and collected in each case before replacing them when Chapters have reported their loss.

DISPENSATIONS ISSUED.

Ocean View Chapter, No. 111, of Mendocino City, Mendocino County, having lost its Charter, by direction of our Grand Patron a dispensation was issued to said Chapter April 11, 1911, that they might be able to continue work until this session of the Grand Chapter.

A rumor reached me that two Chapters had lost their Charters and effects by fire, but no official notice of such loss has been received at this office to date.

NECROLOGY.

We are called to mourn the loss of one of the most active members of this Grand Chapter—February 16, 1911, our beloved Brother Past Grand Associate Patron Benjamin Anthony Plant was called to rest.

Three hundred and nineteen members have passed away during the year.

MEMORIALS FROM OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS.

The Angel of Death has dealt lightly with us compared with other Grand Jurisdictions. The ranks of their Grand and Past Grand Officers have been invaded, and the following memorials have reached this office:

From Grand Chapter of Arizona announcing the death of their Worthy Grand Patron, Thomas Stanford Bunch, June 10, 1911.

The Grand Chapter of Arkansas announces the passing of their Grand Associate Matron, Mollie Smith Hotchkiss, May 17, 1911, and of their Past Grand Matron, Jane A. Dixon, January 23, 1911.

Connecticut reports the passing of their Past Grand Matron, Mariam R. Drake, June 15, 1911, and of their Past Grand Patron, Elisha L. Cobb, April 30, 1911.

District of Columbia lost Past Grand Matrons Almeria S. Williamson, November 10, 1910, and Elmira Foley, March 13, 1911; Past Grand Patron William F. Hunt, November 9, 1910.

Florida—Past Grand Matron Orpha D. Bruce, December 10, 1910.

Kansas—Past Grand Patron John T. Postlethwaite, November 26, 1910.

Kentucky—Past Grand Patron John W. Blanton, December 26, 1910.

Maine—Past Grand Patron Samuel L. Miller, March 26, 1911.

Massachusetts—Past Grand Patron Frank E. Shaw, November 5, 1910.

Iowa—Grand Patron D. W. Clements, November 16, 1910.

Iowa—Grand Matron Emma Jane Beckman, May 4, 1911.

New Jersey—Past Grand Patron Frederick Selnow, May 20, 1911.

Texas—Past Grand Patron George Washington Glascock, May 29, 1911.

Texas—Past Grand Patron Frank Miles Walker, July 16, 1911.

Oklahoma—Past Grand Matron Anna J. Wade, May 8, 1911.

Wisconsin—Grand Patron Charles H. Moore, June 5, 1911.

Wyoming—Grand Treasurer Josephine K. Scovell, May 25, 1911.

Wyoming—Grand Conductress Anna Louise Mitchell, June 8, 1911.

DELINQUENT RETURNS.

September 1, 1911—I am pleased to report that returns from all Subordinate Chapters (with one exception) are in this office, and that all have paid annual dues with four exceptions. Two of these have never before been delinquent. I would request that their fines be remitted this year.

TABLE OF INCREASE AND DECREASE IN MEMBERSHIP.

July 31, 1910, the total membership was.....	30,190
Initiated since that date.....	2,881
Affiliated since that date	937
Reinstated since that date	69
Errors in reports, 1910.....	10
Total	<u>34,087</u>

DECREASE.

Dimitted	1,240
Suspended	535
Deceased	319
Expelled	3
Errors in Reports—1910	15
	<u>2,112</u>

Number of members July 31, 1911.....31,975

A gain for the year of 1,785.

Amount due for Grand Chapter dues.....	\$9,776.75
Amount received	<u>9,527.23</u>

Balance due \$ 249.52

Amount due for Representative Fund.....	\$4,796.25
Amount received	<u>4,686.45</u>

Balance due

\$ 109.80

Number of chartered Chapters, July 31, 1911	257
Number of Chapters Under Dispensation, July 31, 1911.....	<u>10</u>

Total number of Chapters in this jurisdiction

267

Following is the numerical standing of the ten largest Chapters in this jurisdiction:

Mission Chapter, No. 155	595
Pasadena Chapter, No. 108	525
Oak Leaf Chapter, No. 8	510
South Gate Chapter, No. 133	468

San Jose Chapter, No. 31	424
California Chapter, No. 183	359
Acacia Chapter, No. 21	335
Unity Chapter, No. 65	331
Oakland Chapter, No. 140	313
Berkeley Chapter, No. 178	307

Making a membership in the ten largest Chapters of 4,167. The largest net gain in membership for the year has been 43, made by Long Beach Chapter, No. 173, of Long Beach.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

Grand Chapter dues, 1911	\$ 9,527.23
Representative Fund, 1911	4,686.45
Balance Grand Chapter dues, 1910	413.25
Balance Representative Fund, 1910	205.20
Supplies	967.81
Charter fees (13 Chapters)	390.00
Special Dispensations	84.00
Grand Chapter Dimits	46.00
Fines—Delinquent Returns, 1910	26.92
Fines—Rituals, Books of Instruction, Syllabus	35.00
Total receipts	\$16,381.86

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mileage—Warrants Nos. 448, 456, 457, 458, 459	\$ 6,209.20
Printing—Warrants Nos. 468, 492, 496, 516, 1, 20, 33	2,973.30
Grand Secretary, Salary—Warrants Nos. 441, 453, 466, 471, 480, 503, 504, 511, 532, 5, 19, 26	1,800.00
Ada M. Dalton, Grand Matron—Warrants Nos. 467, 478, 495, 16	1,000.00
Assistant Grand Secretary, Salary—Warrants Nos. 440, 452, 465, 470, 479, 501, 502, 510, 531, 4, 18, 25	900.00
Rent, office Grand Secretary—Warrants Nos. 439, 451, 464, 469, 478, 499, 500, 509, 530, 3, 17, 24	600.00
District Deputies, official visits—Warrants Nos. 497, 498, 508, 512, 513, 514, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 533, 534, 536, 537, 2, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 21	570.90

District Deputies, Schools of Instruction—Warrants Nos. 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 494, 498, 515	233.50
Office expenses—Warrants Nos. 473, 505, 7, 31	343.15
General Grand Chapter, supplies—Warrants Nos. 438, 493, 28	342.16
General Grand Chapter, Representatives—Warrants Nos. 460, 461, 462, 463	300.90
Wm. John Mossholder, Grand Patron—Warrant No. 22.....	250.00
Expenses shipping Proceedings and Roster—Warrants Nos. 507, 6	249.82
Jewels, Grand Officers—Warrant No. 454	135.00
Rosa J. Burns, Past Grand Matron, balance of appropriation Warrant No. 442	125.00
Phineas F. Ferguson, Past Grand Patron, increase of appropriation—Warrant No. 449	100.00
Ada M. Dalton, Grand Matron, Jewel—Warrant No. 23.....	100.00
W. N. Brunt & Co., badges—Warrants Nos. 444, 456	81.00
Telephone, office Grand Secretary—Warrants Nos. 472, 506, 8, 32	74.95
Expenses Grand Chapter, 1910—Warrant Nos. 450, 474	74.05
Benj. A. Plant—Warrant No. 445	60.00
Josephine M. Patten, Grand Treasurer, salary and office expenses—Warrants Nos. 477, 9	60.00
Wm. John Mossholder, Grand Patron, Jewel—Warrant No. 27	50.00
Clara A. Giberson, chairman Foreign Correspondence—Warrant No. 446	50.00
Mary A. Lewis—Warrant No. 447	50.00
National Surety Company, bonds Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer—Warrant No. 475	27.50
Library Bureau, bookcase—Warrant No. 29	20.00
Pasquale & Co., ribbon collars, Grand Officers' Jewels—Warrant No. 30	17.00
Lois A. Williams, D. D. G. M., 1910—Warrant No. 443....	1.10
Total disbursements	\$16,794.23

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.

Through the courtesy of our Grand Patron, Hon. William J. Mossholder, and of our Grand Associate Patron, Mr. William A. Hicks, it was my privilege to attend the thirteenth triennial Assembly of the General Grand Chapter, which was convened in the city of Jacksonville,

in the sunny southland, in the State of tropical clime and orange groves, Florida, where one can drink of the waters of the wonderful spring and live on forever; the wonderful spring discovered by the brave soldier, Sir Richard of the Lion's Heart.

It is with grateful heart I thank these brothers for the pleasure given me, for it was a privilege to attend the Assembly as the Representative from this grand State of California and of this Grand Chapter, which I fully believe is the finest in the United States or elsewhere.

The good people of Florida could not do enough for the members in attendance at the Assembly of the General Grand Chapter. Arrangements were made for all kinds of entertainment—free auto rides, trips down the St. Johns and other rivers, finishing up with a trip to St. Augustine, the oldest city in the United States, I am told.

A book might be written on the interesting and entertaining things one saw at St. Augustine, Florida, the quaint city by the sea.

As our Grand Matron and Grand Associate Matron were Representatives also, you no doubt will receive a very full account of the trip and Assembly. Past Grand Matrons Sister Krebs and Sister Partridge, with Past Grand Patron Wood, were there, all of them from California, so you see our State was well represented.

At the Assembly I was reminded, among other things, of that little verse of Ella Wheeler Wilcox:

"So many Gods, so many creeds,
So many ways that wind and wind;
While just the art of being kind
Is all the sad world needs."

In the name of the Grand Patron and Associate Grand Patron a cordial invitation was extended to hold the next Assembly in the great and glorious State of California in this beautiful city by the Golden Gate, our own dear San Francisco; or, if they did not wish to hold the Assembly here in 1913, I told them we would be glad to welcome them to our city in 1915.

Possibly I was egotistical, but I did not in my travels see any country that would surpass or even equal California. The mountains, forests and rivers all seemed small in comparison with our own. We have even a Niagara in miniature in our Yosemite Valley, and the great city of New York was only a larger edition of our own San Francisco.

The trip made me feel contented to remain at home and be thankful for the many blessings we may enjoy in this State in the way of climate and other things too numerous to mention, so I returned assured that

after all there is no place like home. Especially in California, since our brothers have accorded us the right of suffrage and have placed us on a level with themselves.

Fraternally,

KATE J. WILLATS,
Grand Secretary.

Which report was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Grand Treasurer then presented her annual report to the Grand Chapter:

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER.

To the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star :

Your Grand Treasurer herewith presents her Annual Report:

1910.

RECEIPTS.

Sept. 16.	Balance on hand as per last Grand Treasurer's	
	Report	\$14,547.35
	Interest from Colusa County Bank	160.23
	Received from Grand Secretary	1,132.20
	Total received from Past Grand Treasurer	\$15,839.78

1911.

May 5.	Received from Grand Secretary	\$ 520.48
May 22.	" " " "	274.25
Aug. 10.	" " " "	146.40
Sept. 8.	" " " "	13,886.60
Sept. 15.	" " " "	422.23
Sept. 30.	Interest from Security Savings Bank, Los Angeles	72.65
	Total receipts	\$31,162.39
	Total disbursements	16,680.89

Oct. 6.	Balance cash on hand in Security Savings Bank...	\$14,481.50

Warrant		DISBURSEMENTS.	
1910.	No.		
Sept. 6.	437.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 33.....	\$ 29.80
19.	438.	General Grand Chapter, Rituals, etc.....	61.38
Oct. 1.	439.	Rent Grand Secretary's office, October.....	50.00
June 21.	404.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 29.....	4.00
Oct. 1.	440.	Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, September	75.00
	1.	441. Salary Grand Secretary, September	150.00
	1.	442. Allowance Grand Matron, 1910	125.00
	1.	443. Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 4.....	1.10
	1.	444. Printing badges for Grand Representatives.	25.00
	22.	445. Expense Chairman Committee on Mileage...	60.00
	22.	446. Expense Chairman Committee on Foreign Correspondence	50.00
	22.	447. Expense Outside Grand Sentinel	50.00
Oct. 22.	448.	Expense Acting Grand Ruth, 1910.....	28.80
	22.	449. Contingent Expense Grand Patron, 1910	100.00
Nov. 1.	450.	Expense stenographer, 1910	40.00
	1.	451. Rent Grand Secretary's office, November....	50.00
	1.	452. Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, October.	75.00
	1.	453. Salary Grand Secretary, October	150.00
	1.	454. Grand Chapter Jewels	135.00
	1.	455. Printing Grand Chapter badges, 1910	56.00
	7.	456. Mileage Worthy Matron, Chapter No. 235...	30.50
	7.	457. Mileage Worthy Matron, Chapter No. 214...	30.80
	17.	458. Mileage Representative	30.00
	17.	459. Mileage to Representatives Grand Chapter..	6,089.10
	28.	460. Grand Secretary, allowance General Grand Chapter, Grand Patron	75.00
	28.	461. Grand Secretary, allowance General Grand Chapter, Associate Grand Patron	75.00
	28.	462. Associate Grand Matron, allowance General Grand Chapter	75.00
	28.	463. Grand Matron, allowance General Grand Chapter	75.00
Dec. 1.	464.	Rent Grand Secretary's office, December.....	50.00
	1.	465. Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, November	75.00
	1.	466. Salary Grand Secretary, November	150.00
	15.	467. Allowance Grand Matron	250.00
	19.	468. Printing, four months	216.00
	31.	469. Rent Grand Secretary's Office, January, 1911	50.00

1910.			
Dec.	31.	470. Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, December	75.00
	31.	471. Salary Grand Secretary, December	150.00
	31.	472. Telephone rental, four months	38.90
	31.	473. Allowance Grand Secretary's office, four months	106.50
	31.	474. Incidental expense Grand Chapter, 1910	34.05
1911.			
Jan.	7.	475. Premium on bonds, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer	27.50
	29.	476. Allowance Grand Matron	250.00
Feb.	3.	477. Expense Grand Treasurer's office	10.00
	7.	478. Rent Grand Secretary's office, February.....	50.00
	7.	479. Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, January.	75.00
	7.	480. Salary Grand Secretary, January	150.00
	18.	481. Expense School of Instruction, Dist. No. 12	17.00
	18.	482. " " " " " " 11	7.00
Feb.	18.	483. Expense School of Instruction, Dist. No. 5	17.35
	18.	484. " " " " " " 3	19.30
	18.	485. " " " " " " 4	18.00
	18.	486. " " " " " " 14	10.00
	18.	487. " " " " " " 20	7.40
	18.	488. " " " " " " 1	18.50
	18.	489. " " " " " " 26	25.25
	18.	490. " " " (duplicate) " " 25	1.95
	18.	491. " " " " " " 23	15.70
	20.	492. Sundry printing, Blair-Murdock Co.	225.60
	20.	493. Supplies General Grand Chapter	181.05
	23.	494. Expense School of Instruction, Dist. No. 18.	3.70
Mar.	9.	495. Allowance Grand Matron	250.00
Apr.	1.	496. Printing, Blair-Murdock Co.	870.05
	1.	497. Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 4.....	10.35
	1.	498. " " " " " " 15.....	33.80
	1.	499. Rent Grand Secretary's office, March	50.00
	1.	500. Rent Grand Secretary office, April	50.00
	1.	501. Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, February.	75.00
	1.	502. Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, March...	75.00
	1.	503. Salary Grand Secretary, February	150.00
	1.	504. Salary Grand Secretary, March	150.00
	4.	505. Office allowance Grand Secretary, 3 months.	111.17
	4.	506. Telephone, 3 months	18.15
	4.	507. Express and postage Grand Chapter Proceedings	92.00

1911.

Apr.	6.	508.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 31.....	\$ 4.00
	6.	508.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 31.....	4.00
May	1.	509.	Rent Grand Secretary's office, May	50.00
	1.	510.	Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, April ...	75.00
	1.	511.	Salary Grand Secretary, April	150.00
	1.	512.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 12.....	26.65
	1.	513.	" " " " " " 30.....	13.05
	1.	514.	" " " " " " 18.....	13.20
	1.	515.	Expense School of Instruction, Dist. No. 19.	18.45
	1.	516.	Printing memorial cards	15.50
	3.	517.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 34.....	17.48
	3.	518.	" " " " " " 19.....	16.35
	18.	519.	" " " " " " 1.....	30.35
	18.	520.	" " " " " " 7.....	10.00
	18.	521.	" " " " " " 11.....	20.70
	18.	522.	" " " " " " 29.....	3.90
May	18.	523.	Expense School of Instruction, Dist. No. 21.	17.20
	18.	524.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 3.....	41.10
	18.	525.	" " " " " " 22.....	9.61
	18.	526.	" " " " " " 26.....	60.50
	19.	527.	Expense School of Instruction, Dist. No. 9..	19.50
	25.	528.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 25.....	5.20
	29.	529.	" " " " " " 17.....	5.05
June	1.	530.	Rent Grand Secretary's office, June.....	50.00
	1.	531.	Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, May.....	75.00
	1.	532.	Salary Grand Secretary, May	150.00
	1.	533.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 14.....	10.50
	1.	534.	" " " " " " 13.....	46.55
	1.	536.	" " " " " " 10.....	3.35
	21.	537.	" " " " " " 6.....	5.40
	22.	1.	Printing Roster, Blair-Murdock Co.	1,388.40
July	1.	3.	Rent Grand Secretary's office, July	50.00
	1.	4.	Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, June....	75.00
	1.	5.	Salary Grand Secretary, June	150.00
	1.	6.	Postage and express, Roster	157.82
	1.	7.	Office allowance Grand Secretary, 3 months.	48.42
	1.	8.	Telephone Grand Secretary's office, 3 months	11.15
	1.	9.	Salary Grand Treasurer	50.00
	22.	10.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 5.....	27.30
	22.	11.	" " " " " " 10.....	4.00
	22.	12.	" " " " " " 20.....	34.90
	22.	13.	" " " " Districts Nos. 28, 33	13.30

1911.			
July	22.	14.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 32.....\$ 9.35
	25.	15.	" " " " " " 13..... 4.00
	31.	16.	Allowance Grand Matron 250.00
Aug.	1.	17.	Rent Grand Secretary's office, August..... 50.00
	1.	18.	Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, July..... 75.00
	1.	19.	Salary Grand Secretary, July 150.00
	10.	2.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 2..... 83.45
	18.	20.	Blair-Murdock Co., sundry printing 154.00
	24.	21.	Visit D. D. G. Matron, District No. 23..... 24.00
Sept.	1.	22.	Allowance Grand Patron 250.00
	1.	24.	Rent Grand Secretary's office, September... 50.00
	1.	25.	Salary Assistant Grand Secretary, August.. 75.00
	1.	26.	Salary Grand Secretary, August 150.00
	1.	29.	Book case, Grand Secretary's office 20.00
	1.	30.	Ribbon for Grand Officers' Jewels 17.00
	1.	31.	Office allowance Grand Secretary, 2 months. 77.06
Sept.	1.	23.	Allowance Grand Matron, Jewel \$ 100.00
	1.	32.	Telephone Grand Secretary's office, 2 months 6.75
	1.	33.	Printing, Blair-Murdock Co. 103.75

Total expenditures \$16,680.89

I desire at this time to thank the Grand Secretary for assistance rendered me during the year, and the members of the Grand Chapter for the honor bestowed upon me one year ago.

Fraternally submitted,

MRS. JOSEPHINE M. PATTEN, *Grand Treasurer.*

Which report was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until nine-thirty o'clock Wednesday morning.

In Grand Chapter

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, October 18th, A. D. 1911.

The Grand Chapter was called on at nine o'clock A. M., the Worthy Grand Patron presiding. After the offering of prayer by the Grand Chaplain and the singing of an ode, the minutes of the session of Tuesday were read and approved.

Past Grand Matron Ella Tyler Hall was reported detained at home on account of illness. The Grand Patron directed the Grand Secretary to send a telegram of sympathy to Sister Hall.

The Grand Patron announced the following appointments to fill vacancies on committees:

Committee on Jurisprudence—Chairman, Past Patron Arthur McArthur Seymour, of Naomi Chapter, No. 36; Past Grand Patron Ernest Woodbury Conant; Worthy Matron Minnie Fenyn, of Amity Chapter, No. 262.

Committee on Returns—Worthy Matron Louise Caroline Heilbron, of San Diego Chapter, No. 264; Worthy Matron Annie Lear Nicoll, of Richmond Chapter, No. 255.

Committee on Warrants and Dispensations—Past Associate Grand Patron Harry Clay Cooper; Past Matron Maud Emma Bowman, of Berkeley Chapter, No. 178.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report the following Grand Officers, representatives of chartered Chapters, delegates from Chapters under dispensation, and Past Matrons and Past Patrons by service in this jurisdiction, as being present and entitled to seats.

GRAND OFFICERS.

WILLIAM JOHN MOSSHOLDER	Worthy Grand Patron
ADA MARSH DALTON	Worthy Grand Matron
WILLIAM ARTHUR HICKS	Grand Associate Patron
NELLIE AUGUSTA DARLING	Grand Associate Matron

KATE JOSEPHINE WILLATS	Grand Secretary
JOSEPHINE MARTHA PATTEN	Grand Treasurer
CLEMENTINA ELIZABETH BJICK	Grand Chaplain
MIRIAM GARRISON DAVIS	Grand Conductress
HELEN ELIZABETH EDWARDS	Grand Associate Conductress
LENA WALKER STANNARD	Grand Marshal
EPSIE GRACE NUTTING	Grand Adah
JESSIE GROVER MCNAB	Grand Ruth
NELLIE MITCHELL	Grand Esther
JENNIE MAUDE WAYMAN	Grand Martha
EMMA ROGERS	Grand Electa
JANE DRIVER	Grand Sentinel
FLOY FARMER	Grand Organist

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

WILLIAM SCHUYLER MOSES	Venerable Past Grand Patron
FREDERICK WILLIAM GUSTAVE MOEBUS	Past Grand Patron
JOHN NELLES YOUNG	Past Grand Patron
JOHN HATFIELD GRAY	Past Grand Patron
JESSIE BEACH FULLER	Past Grand Patron
FRED LAWRENCE BUTTON	Past Grand Patron
JAMES BESTOB MERRITT	Past Grand Patron
GEORGE LOUIS DARLING	Past Grand Patron
ERNEST WOODBURY CONANT	Past Grand Patron
LYMAN C. BYCE	Past Grand Patron
FLORIN LESLIE JONES	Past Grand Patron
CASIMIR JACKSON WOOD	Past Grand Patron
BENJAMIN BROOKS CARTWRIGHT	Past Grand Patron
ALEXANDER ROSEBOROUGH FRASER	Past Grand Patron
PHINEAS FANNING FERGUSON	Past Grand Patron
SARAH JENNIE MANN	Past Grand Matron
FRANCES ELLEN RYDER	Past Grand Matron
MARY JOSEPHINE YOUNG	Past Grand Matron
ABBIE ELVENIA KREBS	Past Grand Matron
MARY BEAKES MOORE	Past Grand Matron
GERTRUDE SWAIN FREEMAN	Past Grand Matron
MARY ELIZABETH PARTRIDGE	Past Grand Matron
ANNIE ELIZABETH BRIGGS	Past Grand Matron
EVA M. PORTER	Past Grand Matron
FANNIE THOMAS MCCOWEN	Past Grand Matron
CLARA ABBOTT GIBERSON	Past Grand Matron

MABEL BOYD SEYMOUR	Past Grand Matron
CHLO ATCHISON ROUTZAHN	Past Grand Matron
PAULINA WETZLAR DOHRMANN	Past Grand Matron
ANNA DREHER DUDDERAR	Past Grand Matron
ANNIE MARIE JOHNSON	Past Grand Matron
ROSA JOSEPHINE BURNS	Past Grand Matron
ANDREW JACKSON MCPHIE	Past Grand Associate Patron
ARTHUR HILL MILLBERRY	Past Grand Associate Patron
LORENZO BAILEY LEAVITT	Past Grand Associate Patron
CURTIS JEFFERSON MONROE	Past Grand Associate Patron
GEORGE WHEELER EARL	Past Grand Associate Patron
MATTHEW STEWART	Past Grand Associate Patron
HARRY CLAY COOPER	Past Grand Associate Patron
DOCTOR JOHN PADDOCK	Past Grand Associate Patron
EMILIE CARTWRIGHT SWAIN	Past Grand Associate Matron
SARAH CASSIDY	Past Grand Associate Matron
MARY SOPHRONIA MUNNS	Past Grand Associate Matron
ELMIRA FRANCES WEST	Past Grand Associate Matron
KATE ELIZABETH BOYD	Past Grand Associate Matron
MARGARET BELVA SEARLES	Past Grand Associate Matron
LULU LUCAS	Past Grand Associate Matron
AGNES CONANT	Past Grand Associate Matron
CATHARINE ELIZABETH MERRITT	Past Grand Associate Matron
ALICE FRANCES HICKIE	Past Grand Associate Matron
LUCY ANNA CURTIS	Past Grand Associate Matron
KATE JOSEPHINE WILLATS	Past Grand Treasurer
ELLA MARIA HAUN	Past Grand Treasurer
LIZZIE WARDWELL	Past Grand Treasurer
SARAH ISABELLE HUBBARD	Past Grand Treasurer
JANE FRANCES RAABE	Past Grand Treasurer
ADELINE BLOOM RUNYON	Past Grand Treasurer
ANNIE BEAUCHAMP BARNES	Past Grand Treasurer
HELEN SEEMAN	Past Grand Treasurer
MARIE SHERER	Past Grand Treasurer

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ALICIA BETANCUE JACKSON	District No. 1
MAUDE ELLEN DENNEY	District No. 5
ELIZABETH GRINTON	District No. 6
ANNA ELIZABETH HORWEGE	District No. 7
EMILY WOODS FERGUSON	District No. 8
ADDIE MERRICK POWERS	District No. 9
ROSE MAY HATHAWAY	District No. 10

SUE ESTELLE TUCK	District No. 11
DELLA WILSON CLUTE	District No. 12
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RHODA ELIZABETH TAYLOR	District No. 19
HATTIE BERTHA MORRISON	District No. 20
LESSIE RAINEY HANCOCK	District No. 21
ELLA ROBERTS DUNBAR	District No. 23
JENNIE IPSWITCH HALE	District No. 25
ELIZA ANN GRINDLE	District No. 26
MAY FRANCES CARTER	District No. 27
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BIRDIE ROSELLA RICKART	District No. 30
LUCILE IRENE MEAD	District No. 31
PRISCILLA MACNUTT	District No. 32
MARY G. WESTCOTT	District No. 34

REPRESENTATIVE.

No.	NAME OF CHAPTER.	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE.
1	GOLDEN GATE	Albertine Hirschfeld, Worthy Matron. Caroline Evers, Associate Matron. Sarah Jennie Mann, Past Matron. Kate Josephine Willats, Past Matron. Sarah Isabelle Hubbard, Past Matron. Emily Pardee Duren, Past Matron. Nellie Augusta Darling, Past Matron. Mary Frances Fahrenholz, Past Matron. Amy Florence Temple, Past Matron. Caroline Ross Ogilvie, Past Matron. Ida Amelia Fuendeling, Past Matron. Winifred Elizabeth Starks, Past Matron. Wm. Schuyler Moses, Past Patron. Fred Wm. Gustave Moebus, Past Patron. George Louis Darling, Past Patron. Edward Napoleon Evers, Past Patron. Oswald H. Harshbarger, Past Patron.
2	SUISUN	Florence Rummelsburg, Matron and Past Matron. Sarah Elizabeth Wood, Associate Matron. James Underhill Spence, Past Patron.

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3	SILVER STAR	May Newman Marshall, Worthy Matron. Alrik Hammar, Worthy Patron. Mabel Lindauer, Associate Matron. Minerva McPike, Past Matron. Lillian Bond Hammar, Past Matron. Roberta Alica Arner, Past Matron. Andrew Jackson McPike, Past Patron. Lorenzo Bailey Leavitt, Past Patron.
8	OAK LEAF	Margaret Elizabeth Laufer, Worthy Matron. Henrietta McGregor, Associate Matron. Cynthia C. N. Walter, Past Matron. Mary Elizabeth Partridge, Past Matron. Frances Ellen Ryder, Past Matron. Martha Pearce, Past Matron. Amelia Margaret Emery, Past Matron. May Babbit Gilpin, Past Matron. Emma Howland Button, Past Matron. Catharine Elizabeth Merritt, Past Matron. Ada Marsh Dalton, Past Matron. Adeen Murdock Osgood, Past Matron. Frances Jane Plunkett, Past Matron. Mary Merritt Cowell, Past Matron. Fred Lawrence Button, Past Patron. James Bestor Merritt, Past Patron. Webb Nicholas Pearce, Past Patron. Alexander John Patterson, Past Patron.
9	EVANGELINE	Mary Elvira Meservcy, Worthy Matron. Wm. Edmund Meservy, Patron and Past Patron. Pauline Cohn, Past Matron.
10	EVENING STAR	Emma Belle Luce, Associate Matron. Epsie Grace Nutting, Past Matron.
13	MARTHA WASHINGTON....	Karoline Amanda Murray, Worthy Matron. Harriet B. Giles, Past Matron.
14	ST. JOHN'S	Lu Nettie Fetzer, Associate Matron.
17	WELCOME	Mary Ann Forslund, Worthy Matron. Julia Satterlee, Past Matron. Frank Peck Satterlee, Past Patron.
18	LILY OF THE VALLEY.....	Edmonia Louise Smith, Past Matron and Rep. Grace Lee Palmtag, Past Matron.

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19	IDLEWILD	Perry Clark Tucker, Patron and Past Patron. Mary Elizabeth Severio, Associate Matron. Rosetta Louise Tucker, Past Matron. Jennie Sarah Moore, Past Matron.
20	VESPER	Florence G. Weeks, Worthy Matron.
21	ACACIA	Maggie May King, Worthy Matron. Fidelia America Beck, Past Matron. Eva Georgie Zaiser, Past Matron. Charles Augustus Charlton, Past Patron.
23	FERNDALE	Mary Grace Barnes, Worthy Matron.
26	NORTHERN LIGHT .	Alta Davis, Worthy Matron. Sarah Caroline Overmyer, Past Matron. Emma Elizabeth Smith, Past Matron.
27	IVY	Mary Johnson, Worthy Matron. Frederick Wm. G. Selwood, Worthy Patron. May Murdock Christie, Associate Matron. Abbie Alma Salsbury, Past Matron. Annie Judson Lambert, Past Matron. Clara Abbott Giberson, Past Matron. Jennie Abbott Graves, Past Matron. Susan Dow, Past Matron. Frances Lenory Bonifield, Past Matron. Mary Louise Reddick, Past Matron. Maie Watson Hendry, Past Matron. Georgie Curtis Versalovich, Past Matron. Bertha Adele Briggs, Past Matron. Emilie Strouse, Past Matron. Maude Noble Haven, Past Matron. Susie Favor Lockwood, Past Matron. Mai Lillian Berger, Past Matron. John Hatfield Gray, Past Patron. Frank Diedrich Hardie, Past Patron. Robert Francis Tisdale, Past Patron. Orville Charles Baldwin, Past Patron. Acton Haven, Past Patron. John Francis Norton, Past Patron.
28	VACAVILLE	Ella H. Derby, Worthy Matron. Herbert Franklin Fowler, Worthy Patron.
30	SILVER GATE	Helen Martha Singler. Associate Matron and Past Matron.

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31	SAN JOSE	Ella Seougall Griffiths, Worthy Matron. Sarah Frances Horne, Past Matron. Sallie Ann Potts, Past Matron. Lucy Barker, Past Matron. Agnes Conant, Past Matron. Jennie A. Farrington, Past Matron. Mary Cherrie Entriken, Past Matron. Lillie Evelyn Crothers, Past Matron. Ernest Woodbury Conant, Past Patron.
33	ROSE VALLEY	Mary Elizabeth Forsyth, Worthy Matron. Willard Bert Flint, Worthy Patron. Mattie Ross, Past Matron. Rebecca Ann Fisher, Past Matron. Lu Liddle Wines, Past Matron. Ella Butin, Past Matron. Belle Ross Flint, Past Matron. Emma Unieey Belden, Past Matron. Helen Eveline Paddock, Past Matron. Doctor John Paddock, Past Patron.
35	VERNON	Elizabeth Evans, Worthy Matron. Marie Block Brown, Past Matron.
36	NAOMI	Ella Wilder Kleinsorge, Worthy Matron. Stella Kinney Labadie, Associate Matron. Kate Elizabeth Boyd, Past Matron. Mabel Boyd Seymour, Past Matron. Harriet Ann Giffen, Past Matron. Elizabeth Grinton, Past Matron. Elizabeth Mary Marshall, Past Matron. Frank Benjamin Kleinsorge, Past Patron. Arthur McArthur Seymour, Past Patron.
39	STELLA	Nettie King Magoffey, Worthy Matron.
40	AURORA	Adaline Hicks, Worthy Matron. Louise Morehouse, Past Matron. Nellie Michell, Past Matron. Dora Ray, Past Matron.
41	LILY OF THE LAKE	Emma Ritchie, Past Matron and Rep.
42	ARIEL	Lennan B. Brewster, Patron and Past Patron. Annie Josephine Hartley, Past Matron.
44	REDDING	Ida Matilda Bush, Past Matron and Rep.

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46	ATHENA	Rhoda Emma Cole, Worthy Matron. Genevieve Williamson, Associate Matron. Annie Elizabeth Briggs, Past Matron. Clara Leora Black, Past Matron.
47	REVELLE	Mary Elizabeth Thompson, Associate Matron. Eva M Porter, Past Matron.
48	WHEATLAND	Martha Helen Blackford, Worthy Matron.
49	PLACER	Pearl Huntress Curtis, Worthy Matron. Lucy Anna Curtis, Past Matron. Minerva Nicholls, Past Matron. Maude Ellen Denney, Past Matron. Solan McKeen Curtis, Past Patron. William Nicholls, Jr., Past Patron.
50	HOMO	Mabel Rowland Hardenbrook, Assoc. Matron. Elmira Frances West, Past Matron. Lizzie Smith Wilcox, Past Matron. Ella Bonsall Hornage, Past Matron.
51	ALTURAS	Ella Rachford Sloss, Past Matron and Rep.
53	SINCERITY	Lou Treleaven, Past Matron and Rep.
55	MARYSVILLE	Mary Laurina McCready, Worthy Matron. Chester LeRoy Bowen, Worthy Patron. Josephine Engel, Associate Matron. Nettle McCready Trayner, Past Matron. Solomon Lewek, Past Patron.
56	FIDELIA	Blanche Gray, Worthy Matron. Rosa Gray, Past Matron.
57	CRYSTAL	Katherine Richter, Worthy Matron.
58	KINGSLEY	Rena Bertha Stout, Worthy Matron. Sarah Clay Standley, Past Matron. Fannie Thomas McCowen, Past Matron.
59	SILVER SPRAY	Ida Cain Lyons, Worthy Matron. John Adolph Pederson, Patron and Past Patron. Ella Maria Haun, Past Matron.

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60	YOLO	Rachel Dreyfus Lee, Associate Matron. Gertrude Swain Freeman, Past Matron. Gertrude Hazel Hyman, Past Matron. Rhoda Elizabeth Taylor, Past Matron.
61	MORNING STAR ...	Lena Madelaine Kalish, Worthy Matron. Augustus Wm. Horwege, Patron and Past Patron. Lily Caroline Byce, Past Matron. Elizabeth Margaret Goshen, Past Matron. Anna Elizabeth Horwege, Past Matron. Mary Josephine Cleve, Past Matron. Lyman C Byce, Past Patron. Peter Joseph Blim, Past Patron.
63	CAMELLIA	Katherine Schantz Malcolm, Worthy Matron. Charlotte Gale, Past Matron.
65	UNITY	Lottie McFadden, Worthy Matron. Beckie Adamson, Associate Matron. Mary McGuire, Past Matron. Hilma Josephine Buttlar, Past Matron. Lulu Almira Anderson, Past Matron. Jamesie Monek, Past Matron. Edith Edwards, Past Matron. Ella Nora Higby Taylor, Past Matron. Emma Blanchard, Past Matron. Camilla Josephine Giamboni, Past Matron. Isabel Ellis Stephenson, Past Matron. Rolla Colfax Monek, Past Patron. William Kelly Sanborn, Past Patron. James Taylor, Past Patron. Lewis Thornton Corwin, Past Patron. Louis Wm. Hale, Past Patron.
66	GOLDEN STAR	Augusta Frances Fleming, Worthy Matron. Emma Forest Wright, Past Matron. Urbano Giovanni Spagnoli, Past Patron.
67	FRIENDSHIP	Corinne Flint Ingram, Past Matron & Rep.
68	OCEAN SPRAY	Mary Angeline Grimes, Worthy Matron. Sue Estelle Tuck, Past Matron.

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71	QUEEN ESTHER . . .	Mary Minerva Lithgow, Past Matron. Frances Hooper Martin, Past Matron & Rep. Eliza Ann Toman, Past Matron. Maud Mary Phipps, Past Matron. John Lithgow, Past Patron.
72	ELECTA	Marie Stone Sorensen, Worthy Matron. Chloe Ann Zander, Past Matron.
73	MAGNOLIA	Emilie Sophie Duchemin, Worthy Matron. Leah Nora Earl, Past Matron. George Wheeler Earl, Past Patron.
74	ESTHER	Millie Purdy Traugh, Worthy Matron.
75	SILVER WAVE	Viola May Scott, Worthy Matron. Eliza Ousterhout, Past Matron. Jane Driver, Past Matron.
76	ROHNERVILLE	Ethel Chapman Bowman, Worthy Matron. May Sophia Hull, Past Matron. Martha Gould Dinsmore, Past Matron.
77	AZALIA	Wm. Nuner, Jr., Patron and Past Patron.
78	MARGUERITE	Kathryne Fitch, Worthy Matron. Kathryne Martha Smith, Associate Matron. Emily Cartwright Swain, Past Matron. Julia Elmer Hiller, Past Matron. John N. Hiller, Past Patron. James Wilson Smith, Past Patron.
79	VENTURA	Mollie Launer Rogers, Worthy Matron. Merle John Rogers, Patron and Past Patron.
80	AUGUSTA	Laura A. Osborn, Past Matron and Rep.
82	SOTOYOME	Florence Madeline Barnes, Worthy Matron. Jane Frances Raabe, Past Matron. Fannie Goldstein Meyer, Past Matron. Annie Beauchamp Barnes, Past Matron. Sarah Jane Barnes, Past Matron.
83	MOLINO	Lulu Amanda Simpson, Worthy Matron. Geo. Chas. Simpson, Patron and Past Patron. Glorene L. Anderson, Assoc. Matron and Past Matron.

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84	VERITAS	Mary Benicia Turman, Associate Matron. Marie Sherer, Past Matron. James H. Sherer, Past Patron.
85	VALLEY OF THE MOON . . .	Zoe Bates, Worthy Matron.
86	MARSHALL	Adelia C. Snowden, Worthy Matron. Harriet Louisa Freeman, Past Matron. Lavernia Spect, Past Matron. Lizzie Maria Snowden, Past Matron.
88	MOUNTAIN VIEW ..	Alma Alberta Christie, Worthy Matron. Mary Stevens Pullen, Past Matron. Granville Pullen, Past Patron.
89	RAISINA	Alice Murray, Worthy Matron. Rosamond A. Flesher, Worthy Patron. Sallie Isabelle Fassett, Past Matron. George Grover Murray, Past Patron. Briceno Amendez Fassett, Past Patron.
90	FALLEN LEAF	Elizabeth Martin, Worthy Matron.
92	MADERA	Caroline Eickhoff, Worthy Matron. Della Marian Osterhont, Associate Matron. Fannie Beal McCardle, Past Matron.
93	HELIOTROPE	Mary Elizabeth Allen, Past Matron and Rep. Parris Allen, Past Patron.
94	TULARE	Marietta Anderson, Worthy Matron. Marion Edith Farrar, Past Matron.
95	BETHLEHEM	Mabel Nelson, Worthy Matron.
96	SOUTHERN STAR ..	Jessie Agnes Doddridge, Worthy Matron. Jennie Prentice Mossholder, Past Matron. Priscilla MacNutt, Past Matron. Wm. John Mossholder, Past Patron. Homer MacNutt, Past Patron. William Kettner, Past Patron. Florin Leslie Jones, Past Patron.
97	RAMONA	Helene Heinrich, Worthy Matron.

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99	BEULAH	Adelheid G. Schultz, Worthy Matron. Simon McGregor McDonald, Worthy Patron. Ida Helen Leonard, Associate Matron. Phoebe May Mangels, Past Matron. Theresa Fitschen, Past Matron. Fannie Ayers, Past Matron. Helen Seeman, Past Matron. Adolph Frederick Fitschen, Past Patron.
100	MIZPAH	Kate Alida Watson, Worthy Matron. Robert W. Brown, Worthy Patron.
102	VIOLET	Clara Christine Weidmann, Past Matron and Representative.
103	GOLDEN WAVE	Lucy Cary Walrath, Past Matron. Sophie Frank, Past Matron and Representative. John Driver, Past Patron.
104	JOSEPHINE	Josephine Dell Johnson, Associate Matron.
105	HERMOSA	Martha Reinhaus, Worthy Matron. Mary Jane Cotter, Past Matron.
106	UNGAVA	Elizabeth Drayton, Worthy Matron. Inez Josephine Robeson, Past Matron. Henry Dearborn French, Past Patron.
107	CORONA	Jane Green Sanborn, Worthy Matron. Estelle Tobriner, Associate Matron. Eliza Loobliner, Past Matron. Lillian Agler Thyle, Past Matron. Mattie Shafer Fry, Past Matron. Minnie Steinhart, Past Matron. Gustave Eastman, Past Patron.
108	PASADENA	Eva Rosebaugh Bartlett, Worthy Matron. Dora Kurtz Buchanan, Associate Matron. Mamie Snow Plant, Past Matron. Eva Maud Orban, Past Matron.
109	ELK GROVE	Katheryn Maria Leavitt, Past Matron & Rep.
110	POMONA	Emily Beers Todd, Worthy Matron. Thomas Benton Fredendall, Worthy Patron.

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111	OCEAN VIEW	Elsie Maxwell, Worthy Matron. Elizabeth Jane Clark, Past Matron. Eliza Ann Grindle, Past Matron. Maggie Gray, Past Matron.
112	HESPERIAN	Maud Estelle Cain, Associate Matron.
113	SANTA MONICA	Emma Frances Cota, Worthy Matron. Frank Walter Cota, Patron and Past Patron.
114	PALM LEAF	Eda Conway Grant, Worthy Matron.
115	CARITA	Elizabeth Woodside Combs, Worthy Matron. Madalene Nobmann, Past Matron. Theresa Josephine Strong, Past Matron. Mary Ann Holtz, Past Matron. Adeline Eliza Lancaster, Past Matron. Minnie Gertrude Martin, Past Matron. Mary Josephine Young, Past Matron. George Henry Fox, Past Patron. John Nelles Young, Past Patron.
116	TRUCKEE	Lotta W. Bryant, Worthy Matron.
117	COLUMBUS	Juliet Malinda Johnston, Worthy Matron. Fannie Steinman, Past Matron. Julia Heilbron, Past Matron. Frances Just, Past Matron. Frankie Ella Carlaw, Past Matron. Mary Magdalene Martin, Past Matron.
118	WOODBIDGE	Carrie Rosamond Carleton, Past Matron and Representative.
119	AMAPOLA	Leila Belle Boynton, Worthy Matron.
123	TUOLUMNE STAR	Joanna Glasson, Worthy Matron.
124	HARMONY	Nella Lawrence Hart, Worthy Matron. Frank Robb, Worthy Patron. Nettie Cater Mangrum, Associate Matron. Sallie Houghton Millberry, Past Matron. Annie Marie Johnson, Past Matron. Emma Carter, Past Matron. May Frances Carter, Past Matron. Emma Charlotte Lewis, Past Matron. Queene Beatrice Leithead, Past Matron.

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124	HARMONY (Continued)	Elsie Iverson Jensen, Past Matron. Arthur Hill Millberry, Past Patron. Frank Henry Kerrigan, Past Patron. Miles Wilson McIntosh, Past Patron. John Edward Butterfield, Past Patron.
125	BAKERSFIELD	Fannie Minton Kaye, Worthy Matron. Harrison Ross Peacock, Worthy Patron. Martha Bell Hunt, Past Matron. Harriet Wayne Peacock, Past Matron. Charlotte Esther Jameson, Past Matron. William Wallace Kaye, Past Patron.
126	MERCEDES	Frank Lincoln Higgins, Patron & Past Patron.
127	LUCERNE	Alice White Howland, Associate Matron. Della Wilson Clute, Past Matron.
128	LOS GATOS	Mary Ellen Finley, Worthy Matron. Hamilton McVicar Russell, Worthy Patron. Laura Alice Griffith, Past Matron.
129	SIERRA STAR	Grace Leona Nichols, Past Matron and Rep.
130	CLOVER LEAF	Sarah Agnes Baer, Past Matron.
131	FIDELITY	Anna Micander, Worthy Matron. Bina Eubanks, Past Matron.
133	SOUTH GATE	Minnie J. Van Culin, Worthy Matron. August Juegen Koll, Worthy Patron. Laura McEwen, Associate Matron. Ella I. Mitchell, Past Matron. Virginia Nellie Coate, Past Matron. Edward G. Binz, Past Patron. John Carbon Cribb, Past Patron. Henry R. Coate, Past Patron. William E. Bush, Past Patron.
134	ANGELS	Agnes May Davey, Worthy Matron.
135	SEMPER FIDELIS ..	Annie McDonald, Worthy Matron.
136	CENTINELA	Georgia Muth, Worthy Matron. John Frederick Muth, Patron and Past Patron.

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137	CLEAR LAKE	Curtis Jefferson Monroe, Past Patron & Rep.
138	SUMMIT	Mayme Lancaster Coffee, Past Matron & Rep.
140	OAKLAND	Coralie May Twombly, Worthy Matron. John Laughland, Worthy Patron. Charlotte Raye Towle, Associate Matron. Ellen Rosetta Laughland, Past Matron. Nellie Bliss James, Past Matron. Susan Bellfield Wethern, Past Matron. Sarah Cassidy, Past Matron. Elizabeth Wardell, Past Matron. George Peabody Dimpfel, Past Patron.
141	MIRAMONTE	Mary Angeline B. Watts, Past Matron & Rep. Mary Ermine Wright, Past Matron.
142	COPA DEL ORO	Lottie Haight Lienan, Worthy Matron.
143	NORWALK	Theresa Louise Swigart, Worthy Matron.
144	LYRA	Nellie May Frampton, Worthy Matron. Mabel Annabel Gwin, Past Matron. Helen Dresser Dressor, Past Matron.
145	JASMINE	Baye Blankenship, Worthy Matron. Belle Coffman, Past Matron.
146	DELANO	Celia Evans Turner, Worthy Matron.
147	PEARL	Mary Maude Trodd, Worthy Matron.
149	DEL NORTE	Anna Chapman, Associate Matron. Anna Reynolds Prior, Past Matron.
150	LODI	Blanche Daisy Cary, Past Matron and Rep.
151	CHISPA	Genevieve Ione Porter, Worthy Matron. Octave Lagman, Worthy Patron. Eva Harriet Boyd, Past Matron.
153	MT. SHASTA	Annie Greene Bedford, Worthy Matron.
154	ESCONDIDO	Ella Briggs Wisdom, Worthy Matron.

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155	MISSION	May D. Maundrell, Worthy Matron. Helen Margia Knight, Associate Matron. Mary Lang Farmer, Past Matron. Alice Frances Hickie, Past Matron. Elizabeth Josephine Christenson, Past Matron. Margaret Bell Snell, Past Matron. Mattie Minford Wallace, Past Matron. Margaret Belva Searles, Past Matron. Harry Maundrell, Past Patron. Frank Scott Snell, Past Patron.
159	PENRHYN	Caroline Mattie Boller, Worthy Matron. Mary Matilda Laird, Past Matron. Jennie Katzenstein, Past Matron.
160	OCCIDENT	Lillian Scott, Worthy Matron.
161	GOLD RIDGE	George Henry Corbin, Worthy Patron. Mary Belle Williams, Past Matron. Ruth Genevieve Corbin, Past Matron.
162	CROWN	Bessie Boyd Andrews, Worthy Matron. Linus Lackner Andrews, Past Patron.
163	SCEPTER	Elizabeth Hannah Braisher, Worthy Matron.
164	ONISBO	Adaline Bloom Runyon, Past Matron. Mary Jane Martin, Past Matron. Mary Kesner, Past Matron and Representative. Peter Jacob Huth, Past Patron.
165	CRESCENT	Maggie Mae Truc, Associate Matron. Ella Roberts Dunbar, Past Matron.
167	ESPERANZA	Frances L. McNeal, Worthy Matron. Margaret West, Associate Matron. Rosa Josephine Burns, Past Matron. Alice Jane LeMasters, Past Matron. Rose May Hathaway, Past Matron. James Calvin LeMasters, Past Patron. William Marshall Barber, Past Patron. William Whipple Robinson, Past Patron.
168	LOS ANGELES	Ophie Elizabeth Rice, Worthy Matron. Andrew Henderson, Worthy Patron. Margaret Chambers, Past Matron. William Kirtley Chambers, Past Patron. Paul P. Paulson, Past Patron.

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169	OLIVE BRANCH ...	Martha Rosenberg, Worthy Matron. Arnold Goodfriend, Worthy Patron. Rose Marian Pistolesi, Past Matron. Minnie Sophia Reed, Past Matron. Ray Goldsmith, Past Matron. Jennie Brandt, Past Matron. Tressie Arabelle Hopkins, Past Matron. Clementine Elizabeth Bjick, Past Matron. Joseph Rosenberg, Past Patron. Paul Robert Bjick, Past Patron.
170	KING SOLOMON ...	Lillie Bell Conn, Worthy Matron. M. Harry Job, Patron and Past Patron. Selina Adele Buescher, Associate Matron. Nancy Annette Wood, Past Matron. Linea Lincoln Baehr, Past Matron. Lydia Adele Sanders, Past Matron. Veronica Miller Houston, Past Matron. Franklin Freeman Ralston, Past Patron. Clarence Clark Baker, Past Patron.
171	CARNATION	Charles William Grassel, Worthy Patron. Jennie R. Grassel, Past Matron. Pierce Samuel Venable, Past Patron.
172	LEXINGTON	Virginia Lillian Hudson, Worthy Matron. William Rowland Hudson, Past Patron.
173	LONG BEACH	George F. Hirsch, Worthy Patron. Gertrude Bennett Howe, Associate Matron. Carrie Venable Kennedy, Past Matron. Emma Cordelia Hayes, Past Matron. Lena Walker Stannard, Past Matron. Silas Ely Kennedy, Past Patron.
174	HARBOR	Anna Waller Davidson, Worthy Matron. Joseph Charles Miller, Past Patron.
175	SISSON	Sarah Palmer Amann, Worthy Matron. Vina Rose Cross, Past Matron.
176	MIGUELITO	Mattie Danneberg, Associate Matron. Anna Maud Bailey, Past Matron.

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177	ORIENT	Grace Elizabeth Ellis, Worthy Matron. Charlotte Elizabeth Brown, Associate Matron. Wilhelmina Werner, Past Matron.
178	BERKELEY	Frances Ward Congdon, Worthy Matron. Dozier Finley, Worthy Patron. Mary Washington Knight, Associate Matron. Lydia Jane Wharff, Past Matron. Addie Lee Sleeper, Past Matron. Olive Dale Farrar, Past Matron. Maud Emma Bowman, Past Matron. William Hatch Wharff, Past Patron.
179	EUCLID	Mae Violet Unholz, Worthy Matron.
181	HEBER	Amelia Elizabeth Layton, Worthy Matron. Hulda Levison, Past Matron.
182	VALLEY HOME . . .	Amelia Loop Opfer, Worthy Matron. Theresa Jane Pool, Past Matron.
183	CALIFORNIA	Effie Hogan Easton, Worthy Matron. William John Langstaff, Worthy Patron. Julie Wittman Pracht, Associate Matron. Isabelle Woodside, Past Matron. Emily Wood Ferguson, Past Matron. Georgia Elvira Caley, Past Matron. Phineas Fanning Ferguson, Past Patron.
184	CROCKETT	Emma Augusta Gabbs, Worthy Matron. Alvin Augustine Paul, Worthy Patron. Libbie Emma Reid, Past Matron. Helena Callsen Paul, Past Matron.
185	SANTA PAULA	Allen Crosby Hardison, Worthy Patron. Mattie Stewart Poplin, Associate Matron. Miriam Garrison Davis, Past Matron. Ada Richardson, Past Matron.
186	LAUREL	Janet Shand, Worthy Matron. Pearl Waggoner Elftman, Past Matron. Adelaide Elizabeth Hickei, Past Matron.
189	CALISTOGA	Grace Crouch, Worthy Matron. Ruth Porter, Past Matron. Franklin Ashton, Past Patron.

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190	SACRAMENTO	Sophia Lillian Ehret, Worthy Matron. Henry August Wm. Lindgren, Worthy Patron. William Arthur Hicks, Past Patron.
191	FULLERTON	Joan Ellen Hale, Worthy Matron.
192	PACIFIC	Sarah Bell Thatcher, Worthy Matron. John E. Hartell, Worthy Patron. Sebaldina Tanner, Associate Matron. Anna C. Lynn, Past Matron. Christena Hartell, Past Matron. Anna Laura Shorb, Past Matron.
193	ALHAMBRA	Elizabeth Lingenfelder, Worthy Matron. Mary Elizabeth Cartwright, Past Matron. Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, Past Patron.
194	HILDA	Nellie Pfortner, Worthy Matron.
195	SANTA CLARA	Mary Landram Hamilton, Worthy Matron. Bertha Eunice Haman, Associate Matron. Mary Ellen Menzen, Past Matron. Mary Ruth Myers, Past Matron. May Morrison, Past Matron. Horace Ashbury Myers, Past Patron.
196	SAN FRANCISCO ..	Karen C. Michelson, Worthy Matron. John L. Cattermole, Worthy Patron. Lillian Moore Brown, Associate Matron. Ellen Reimer, Past Matron. William Wallace Moore, Past Patron. Bernhard Stork Pederson, Past Patron.
197	MT. WHITNEY	Blanche Chalfant, Worthy Matron.
198	MASPHA	Alice Josephine Wallace, Matron and Past Matron. Henrietta Stone, Past Matron.
199	IONIA	John Frederick Henle, Past Patron and Rep.
200	LAS MARIPOSAS ..	Daisy Farnsworth Lind, Past Matron. Frank Albert Bondshu, Past Patron and Rep.

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202	LA PALOMA	Sylvia Olive Nash, Worthy Matron. Anna Dreher Dudderar, Past Matron. Percy Louis Nash, Past Patron.
203	SEQUOIA	Eva Etta Behrens, Past Matron and Rep.
204	STARR KING	Sarah Florentine, Worthy Matron. George Julius Florentine, Worthy Patron. Elsie M. Biehl, Associate Matron. Emma Eva Goodman, Past Matron. Della Simon, Past Matron. Sadie Peiser, Past Matron. Clarence Melville Hunt, Past Patron. Harry Thornton Moore, Past Patron. William Thornton Biehl, Past Patron.
205	MIRAMAR	Mary A. Church, Worthy Matron.
206	ALOHA	August Jacques DeLamare, Worthy Patron. Bess Blackburn Grier, Associate Matron. Abbie Elvenia Krebs, Past Matron. Edna Ricker Field, Past Matron. Susan Mills Willats, Past Matron. Jesse Beech Fuller, Past Patron. Harvey LeFevre Marvin, Past Patron. Arthur Jay Grier, Past Patron.
207	ARCATA	Martha Elizabeth Anderson, Worthy Matron. Alicia May Betancue Jackson, Past Matron.
208	CITRUS	Ella Theodore Clark, Past Matron and Rep.
209	HOLLYWOOD	Ella M. Barter, Associate Matron.
210	PALESTINE	Sue Margaret Ackland, Worthy Matron. Oscar Edward Ohlsen, Worthy Patron. Maggie Wirt Hall, Past Matron. Orpha Amanda Raymaker, Past Matron.
211	COLTON	Helen Jane Davidson, Worthy Matron. Lina Dreher Brink, Past Matron.
212	GATE CITY	Charlotte McElvaine, Worthy Matron. Annie Winslow Flagg, Past Matron. May Elizabeth Archer, Past Matron. Ermine Talmadge, Past Matron.

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213	PALO ALTO	Annic Eliza LaPiere, Worthy Matron. Albert N. Umphreys, Patron and Past Patron. Winifred Alice Allen, Associate Matron. Vernelia DeYoung Malcolm, Past Matron. Minnie Eaton Weisssharr, Past Matron.
214	ALMONA	Mae Spencer, Worthy Matron.
215	SAN RAFAEL	Blanche Moore Peterson, Worthy Matron. Charles Hall DuBois, Worthy Patron. Carolyn Henrietta Von Huse, Associate Matron. Tina Harvey Vanderlip, Past Matron. Ella Minor Brown, Past Matron. Viola Wells Rice, Past Matron. Nellie Paull Carroll, Past Matron. Carrie Hunter DuBois, Past Matron. Mabel Akerman Rice, Past Matron. George Murray, Past Patron. Russell Harvey Warden, Past Patron. George Gore Vanderlip, Past Patron. Arthur James Sparrow, Past Patron. Albert Nicholas Boyen, Past Patron.
216	SUNSET	Theresa Leona Cartwright, Worthy Matron. John C. Crow, Worthy Patron. Della Purdy, Associate Matron. Josephine Martha Patten, Past Matron. Frederick Theodore Purdy, Past Patron.
217	LOYALTY	Delia Gilman, Worthy Matron. Frank Leverett Spaulding, Worthy Patron. Alice May Pierce, Past Matron. Lucile Irene Mead, Past Matron. Minnie Hiner, Past Matron. Ada Pearl Whiting, Past Matron. Perry Whiting, Past Patron. Willis Howard Mead, Past Patron.
218	YOSOLANO	Gertrude Wilhelmina Brinck, Asso. Matron.

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219	MILL VALLEY	Maude Rosamond Cooke, Worthy Matron. Frederick Alexander Burden, Worthy Patron. Ada Frances Helmore, Associate Matron. Mary Elliott Seymour, Past Matron. Mary G. Westcott, Past Matron. Kent Jarvis Chase Seymour, Past Patron. George Henderson Cooke, Past Patron. Paul A. Helmore, Past Patron.
220	PINOLE	Lillie Catlett, Worthy Matron. Lottie Pfeiffer, Past Matron.
221	GOLDEN ROD	Sallie Baker McCune, Worthy Matron. Willda Madden, Associate Matron.
222	RIO VISTA	Matthew Stewart, Patron and Past Patron.
224	CELLANDINE	Kate Gardner Thorne, Past Matron and Rep.
225	EAST GATE	Grace Lyo Case, Worthy Matron.
226	OAKDALE	Laura McLeod Swatzel, Worthy Matron. Cecelia Kahn, Past Matron. Birdie Roselle Rickart, Past Matron.
227	MONROVIA	Laura C. Sarwine, Past Matron and Rep.
228	YERBA BUENA . . .	Annie Wiese Spaulding, Worthy Matron. William Griffith, Worthy Patron. Mary Bird Bowers, Associate Matron. Mattie Jewel Perry, Past Matron. Tryphinnie Bayard Janes, Past Matron. John H. McCallum, Past Patron. James Woods Keystone, Jr., Past Patron.
229	IMPERIAL	Maude Robertson Purdie, Worthy Matron. Louis Muller, Patron and Past Patron. Lena Elizabeth Jarvis, Associate Matron. Bessie Dunbar Munroe, Past Matron. Harriette Maud Muller, Past Matron.
230	SAPPHIRE	Margaret Stuart Lord, Associate Matron. Emily McCornack, Past Matron.
231	LOWER LAKE	Rose Kennedy, Past Matron and Rep.

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232	BONNER	Charlie Lee Pabst, Worthy Matron. Lizzie Nora Bonner, Past Matron.
233	NATOMA	Lotta Leona Levy, Worthy Matron. Hattie Bertha Morrison, Past Matron.
234	LOS CERITOS	Clara Lacelle Wittenmeyer, Associate Matron. Jennie Ipswitch Hale, Past Matron.
235	KEYSTONE	Cassie Greenfield Corlett, Worthy Matron. Addie Merriek Powers, Past Matron. Margaret Kelton, Past Matron.
237	GLEN EYRIE	Agnes Fiske Albright, Worthy Matron. Margaret McPeak Campbell, Past Matron.
238	JEWEL	Lizzie Rogers Pfenniger, Worthy Matron. Howard Nowell, Worthy Patron. Emma Louise Simmons, Associate Matron. Jennie Maude Wayman, Past Matron. Florence Mabel Romer, Past Matron. Dora Lasey Osthoff, Past Matron. Burnside Cromwell, Past Patron. John Snell, Past Patron.
239	MONTEREY	Mac Christine Otis, Worthy Matron. William Henry Faringhy, Worthy Patron. Nina Cecelia Emery, Past Matron. Nellie Frances Emery, Past Matron.
240	BUENA PARK	Penelope Cady, Worthy Matron. Eugene Caldwell Cady, Worthy Patron.
241	LA VICTORIA	Floy Farmer, Worthy Matron. Frank Farmer, Worthy Patron. Nellie Kingsbury, Associate Matron. Gertrude Simpson, Past Matron. Joseph Simpson, Past Patron.
242	NEEDLES	Mae Roberts, Representative.
243	ELSINORE	Daisy Rachel Neiman, Worthy Matron.

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245	OCEAN PARK	Bertha Zimmerman Nelson, Worthy Matron. James Thomas Carter, Worthy Patron. Appalona Fraser, Past Matron. Laura Belle Damerel, Past Matron. Zura Kern Young, Past Matron. Chlo Atchison Routzahn, Past Matron. Lella Roberts, Past Matron. Alexander Rosborough Fraser, Past Patron. Wilford Charles Koontz, Past Patron.
246	PLUMAS	Annie Lackie Ford, Associate Matron.
247	COLUMBIA	Effie Ellen Miller, Worthy Matron.
248	HOLLENBECK	Phoebe Burton Dalzell, Worthy Matron. Emma Rogers, Past Matron. William G. Gibson, Past Patron.
249	ACANTHA	Emma Loretta Topping, Worthy Matron. Anna Neville, Past Matron. Frederick Morgan Neville, Past Patron.
250	SUNNYVALE	Ella Louise Lee, Worthy Matron. John K. Durst, Worthy Patron. Charlotte Muender, Past Matron. Rudolph Muender, Past Patron.
251	IDEAL	Eva Friedman, Worthy Matron. Theodore Wold, Worthy Patron. Blanche Allenberg, Associate Matron. Blanche Leonora Sanborn, Past Matron. Katherine Libby, Past Matron. Mary A. Nevin, Past Matron.
252	CASIMIR	Mattie Ella Hutchison, Worthy Matron. Bertram Leon Cleland, Worthy Patron. Laura Belle Grover, Associate Matron. Jessie Grover McNab, Past Matron. Ida Lathrop Malpas, Past Matron. Annie Rebecca Babcock, Past Matron. John Liddle McNab, Past Patron. Isaac Wilson Grover, Past Patron.
253	ARTESIA	Sarah Permelia Carse, Worthy Matron. Ada Amy Frampton, Associate Matron.
254	NORTH EAST	Henrietta Craven Griffith, Representative.

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255	RICHMOND	Annie Nicoll, Worthy Matron. Ernest Louis Fischer, Worthy Patron. Margaret Irene Fischer, Associate Matron. Emma Cameron Martin, Past Matron. Lena Whelan, Past Matron. Alexander Nicoll, Past Patron. Will Mayo Hodgkins, Past Patron.
256	MARIETTA	Annie Carew, Worthy Matron. Frank Sumner Lowell, Patron and Past Patron. Frances Wilhelmina Lowell, Associate Matron. Catherine Ellen McEwen, Past Matron.
257	REEDLEY	Beulah Beatrice Wickstrom, Worthy Matron.
258	ORIENTAL	Emma Susan Boyd, Worthy Matron.
259	SEASIDE	Laura Lucy Griffith, Associate Matron. Andrew Wylie Griffith, Past Patron.
260	GARDENA	Bess Anna Wannschaff, Worthy Matron.
261	DINUBA	William Bates Nichols, Worthy Patron.
262	AMITY	Minnie Feun, Worthy Matron. John William Gunn, Jr., Worthy Patron. Mildred Clara Rentschler, Associate Matron. Margaret Robertson Alberti, Past Matron.
263	HIGHLAND PARK . .	LaVinia Walkinshaw, Worthy Matron. Charles Daniel Avery, Past Patron.
264	SAN DIEGO	Louise Caroline Heilbron, Worthy Matron.
265	DAYLIGHT	Mary Annabelle Storm, Worthy Matron. Jeanette Lewis Beal, Associate Matron. Charles Samuel Taylor, Past Patron.
266	GARVANZA	Ruth Suffern Judson, Worthy Matron. William Lees Judson, Past Patron.
267	GOLDEN RULE	Mollie Ernestine Edgar, Worthy Matron.
268	WEST LAKE	Ella Lorine Adams, Worthy Matron. Edwin Ratio Mennell, Worthy Patron. Ella H. Fleck, Associate Matron. Annie Webster Morris, Past Matron. Alma Adelia Lambert, Past Matron.

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269	PARNASSUS	Hedwig Marie Jessen, Worthy Matron. James Merton Hoyt, Worthy Patron. Phebe Hoyt, Past Matron. William Wallace Allen, Jr., Past Patron.
270	ESCHSCHOLTZIA . .	Helen Seavers, Worthy Matron. Henry L. Seavers, Past Patron.
271	MONTE VISTA . . .	Jennie Campbell Beinhorn, Worthy Matron.
272	SOUTH PASADENA	Armenia Boice Packer, Matron and Past Matron. Hartley Crawford Packer, Past Patron.
273	SANTA CRUZ	Ruth L. Phillips, Worthy Matron. Flora Farrington, Associate Matron. Kate Wakeman Cooper, Past Matron. Harry Clay Cooper, Past Patron.
274	ST. HELENA	Citney Boalt, Past Matron and Rep.
275	BURLINGAME	Clara Isabel Colby, Worthy Matron. Permelia Florence Beebe, Associate Matron. Flora Julia Alger, Past Matron. Frances Ott Bovee, Past Matron. Clarence Frank Bovee, Past Patron.
276	SIGNAL	Elizabeth Matilda Gibson, Worthy Matron.
277	ATHENS	Matilda May Martin, Worthy Matron. Oscar Sellers, Worthy Patron. Georgia Anna Gutches, Associate Matron. Mary Cecelia Robinson, Past Matron. Agnes Miranda Morgans, Past Matron. Morgan Phillip Morgans, Past Patron.
278	VALLEJO	Martha Smith, Worthy Matron. Katherine Anna Frahm, Associate Matron.
279	MYSTIC STAR	Bettie Rector Jacobs, Past Matron and Rep.
280	AMO	Ida Melissa Krueger, Worthy Matron. Enoch Slack, Worthy Patron. Alicc May Edwards, Associate Matron. Millie Annie Kidd, Past Matron. Susan Henrietta Lindsay, Past Matron. Elmer Allen Kidd, Past Matron.

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281	PLEIADES	Amelia Sohn, Representative. Daisy Belle Altland, Past Matron.
282	LA POSA	Della Marie Steiner, Worthy Matron. Belle Talbott, Past Matron.
283	IONE	Elizabeth Joses, Worthy Matron.
284	ALBERT PIKE	Carrie Louise Lucas, Matron and Past Matron. James Ealswirth D. Harrison, Worthy Patron. Mathilde Dodel, Associate Matron. Wm. Henry Hindle, Past Patron.
286	RISING LIGHT ...	Jessie Cachelin Boss, Worthy Matron.
287	POINSETTIA	May Welch Lane, Past Matron and Rep.
288	FRATERNITY	Helena Reed Johnstone, Worthy Matron. Robert John Butler, Worthy Patron. Henrietta Audry Butler, Associate Matron. Lessie Rainey Hancock, Past Matron.
289	ALAMO	Jeanette T. Klasgye, Representative.
290	WEST GATE	Mordena Mary Stewart, Worthy Matron. John William Peek, Worthy Patron. Helen Hamlin Lucy, Associate Matron. Laura May Maedermott, Past Matron. Julia Agnes Reid, Past Matron. Robert Lincoln Reid, Past Patron.
291	POINT ARENA	Joseph Crockett Halliday, Worthy Patron.
292	ROSE	Lennie Hockett Allen, Matron and Past Matron.
293	ELVESTA	Jennie Marie Small, Worthy Matron. Walter Fearey Vane, Worthy Patron. Emma Haskins Vane, Associate Matron. Helen Elizabeth Edwards, Past Matron. Frederick Augustus Small, Past Patron.
294	PLEASANTON	Wilbur Jameson Dakin, Patron and Past Patron. Irene Ruby Dakin, Associate Matron.
295	FRESNO	Esther Loretta Pottle, Worthy Matron.

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296	WISTARIA	Phœbe S. Mains, Matron and Past Matron. Eldon Perry Mains, Past Patron.
U.D.	FRUITVALE	Effie May Martin, Worthy Matron. Edward Sampson Bowlsby, Worthy Patron. Anita Dale Hollenbeck, Associate Matron. Margaret Katherine Williams, Past Matron.
U.D.	HALCYON	Elizabeth May Hillman, Worthy Matron.
U.D.	SIERRA MADRE ...	Pearl Eva Biederman, Matron and Past Matron.
U.D.	LA MESA	Lella Rider, Worthy Matron. John A. McRae, Worthy Patron.
U.D.	ADA	Lulu Evelena Adams, Worthy Matron. William Craig Walker, Worthy Patron. Harriet Wilson Metteer, Associate Matron. Henry Willis Adams, Past Patron.
U.D.	MIRIAM	Sarah Jane Handley, Worthy Matron.
U.D.	GOLDEN CHAIN ...	Rachel Marie Blake, Worthy Matron. Joseph Huffman Boyer, Worthy Patron. Elizabeth Lucy Makins, Associate Matron.
U.D.	BETHANY	Elizabeth Lina Russell, Matron and Past Matron.
U.D.	RUTH	Dora Muller Edwards, Worthy Matron. Lena Bresnan, Associate Matron.
U.D.	LINDSAY	Jennie Trott Reed, Worthy Matron. George Victor Reed, Past Patron.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSA JOSEPHINE BURNS,

LILLIAN BOND HAMMAR,

Committee.

Which report was concurred in and the sisters and brothers therein named were admitted to seats.

Letters expressing regret at their inability to attend the thirty-ninth annual session were received:

From Past Grand Matron Emma Riehl Leach, Past Grand Patron James Robert Tapscott, and Past Grand Patron Charles Joseph Willett.

From Willis D. Engle, Most Worthy Grand Patron; George A. Pettigrew, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron, and Lorraine J. Pitkin, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, of the General Grand Chapter.

From Past Matron Eliza J. Martin, a member of the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations.

The following telegrams were received:

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, Oct. 16, 1911.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., of California:

Fraternal greetings to all and best wishes for a happy and successful session.

GEORGIANA V. POLHAMUS,

Past Grand Matron of California.

PORTERVILLE, CAL., Oct. 16, 1911.

Mrs. Kate J. Willats, Grand Secretary, O. E. S. of California:

I sincerely regret that it will be impossible for me to attend this Grand Chapter session. My best wishes for a prosperous meeting.

J. F. BOLLER,

Past Grand Patron of California.

Letters of regret were received from the following officers of other Grand Jurisdictions and ordered filed:

Alabama—George F. Peter, Grand Patron; Mrs. Elizabeth Salter, Grand Secretary.

Arkansas—J. F. Hopkins, Grand Secretary.

Arizona—Mrs. Jennie E. Capo, Grand Matron.

Connecticut—Mrs. Maize B. Clarke, Grand Matron; Mrs. Harriet I. Burwell, Grand Secretary.

District of Columbia—Miss Ethel D. Baker, Grand Matron.

Florida—Miss Azele E. Caruthers, Grand Matron; George F. Smith, Grand Patron; Arthur H. Carter, Grand Secretary.

Idaho—Mrs. Louise S. Wilson, Grand Matron.

Illinois—Mrs. Nettie C. Kenner, Grand Secretary.

Iowa—Mrs. Maria Jackson, Grand Secretary.

- Kansas—Mrs. Mabelle F. Lane, Grand Matron.
Kentucky—Mrs. Josephine H. Tinder, Grand Secretary.
Louisiana—Mrs. W. G. C. Storm, Grand Matron; Mrs. M. Elizabeth Duncan, Grand Secretary; Mrs. Maria S. Weeks, Grand Representative.
Maine—Mrs. Annette H. Hooper, Grand Secretary.
Maryland—Robert M. Coombs, Grand Secretary.
Massachusetts—Mrs. Iva E. Brown, Grand Matron; Geo. F. Bradstreet, Grand Patron; Mrs. Carrie A. Cushing, Grand Secretary.
Michigan—Mrs. Eva S. Goodrich, Grand Secretary.
Minnesota—C. H. Nerbovig, Grand Patron; Mrs. Mary C. Taylor, Grand Secretary.
Mississippi—Mrs. Myra E. Eaton, Grand Secretary.
Montana—Mrs. Mary J. Powers, Grand Matron; Mrs. Elva Boardman, Grand Secretary.
Nebraska—Mrs. Carrie E. Wright, Grand Matron; Mrs. Anna C. Simpson, Grand Secretary.
Nevada—Mrs. Anna H. Wardin, Grand Secretary.
New Jersey—Charles A. Nighman, Grand Patron; Miss Marie A. Baum, Grand Matron; Mrs. Mary Martin, Grand Secretary.
New Mexico—Mrs. Marion P. Stevens, Grand Secretary.
New York—Mrs. Rebecca Niner, Grand Secretary.
North Carolina—Mrs. Sallie M. Boettcher, Grand Matron.
North Dakota—Mrs. Florence M. Hoskins, Grand Secretary.
Oregon—Mrs. Pauline M. Riley, Grand Matron; Mrs. Nellie McKinley, Grand Secretary.
Pennsylvania—Mrs. Adeline W. Barnes, Grand Matron; J. Morris Massey, Grand Patron; Mrs. Rata A. Mills, Grand Secretary.
South Carolina—Mrs. Tallulah L. Cudd, Grand Matron; Miss Nancy L. Bennett, Grand Secretary.
South Dakota—Mrs. Edna U. Morris, Grand Matron; Mrs. Angie L. Williamson, Grand Secretary.
Tennessee—Miss Allie M. Lippincott, Grand Matron.
Texas—E. J. Hosey, Grand Patron; Mrs. Cassie C. Leonard, Grand Secretary.
Utah—Mrs. Frances G. Shields, Grand Secretary.
Virginia—Charles A. Nesbitt, Grand Secretary.
Vermont—Mrs. Ella W. Weeks, Grand Matron.
Washington—Mrs. Marjorie E. Campbell, Grand Matron.
West Virginia—Mrs. Minnie W. Huff, Grand Matron.
Wisconsin—Mrs. Rose R. Mead, Grand Matron; Mrs. Helen M. Laffin, Grand Secretary.
Wyoming—Mrs. Inez M. Robinson, Grand Secretary.

Past Grand Matron Mabel Boyd Seymour, Chairman of the Committee on Distribution, presented the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S. of California:

We, your Committee on Distribution, beg leave to report that we have carefully read the addresses of the Worthy Grand Patron and Worthy Grand Matron, and after due deliberation and careful consideration of the same beg leave to report:

That so much of the Worthy Grand Patron's address as refers to authorization of new Chapters be referred to the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations;

That so much as refers to decisions be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence;

That so much as refers to approval of By-Laws or amendments to By-Laws be referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws;

That Recommendations Nos. 1 and 6 be referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws;

That Recommendations Nos. 2, 3 and 7 be referred to the Committee on Finance;

That Recommendations Nos. 4 and 5 be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence;

That Recommendations Nos. 8 and 9 be referred to the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations, and that all other official acts of the Grand Patron be approved;

That so much of the Grand Matron's address as refers to the appointment of Deputies and Representatives near other Grand Chapters be approved;

That so much as refers to visitations made by the Grand Matron to Subordinate Chapters be approved;

That so much as refers to our "Honored Dead" be referred to the Committee on Necrology;

That Recommendations Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5 be referred to the Committee on Ritual;

That Recommendations Nos. 1 and 6 be referred to the Committee on Finance.

We further recommend that that portion of the Grand Matron's address referring to the exemplification of the work by the Drill Corps be referred to the body of this Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

MABEL B. SEYMOUR,
SALLIE I. FASSETT,
FLORIN L. JONES,

Committee.

Which report was adopted.

Past Patron James Calvin LeMasters, Chairman of the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WARRANTS AND
DISPENSATIONS.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., of California:

Your Committee on Warrants and Dispensations have carefully examined the books and records of the following Chapters working under dispensation:

Fruitvale, Halcyon, La Mesa, Miriam, Sierra Madre, Ada, Golden Chain, Ruth, Bethany, and Lindsay Chapters

These have all shown a commendable devotion to the principles of our Order.

The books and records of many of these Chapters deserve especial mention, showing excellent ability.

But few irregularities were found in any of them.

Your Committee have met the Representatives of each of these Chapters and feel assured that the utmost care will be taken to correct all errors and make their respective Chapters such as will be a credit to our Order.

Your Committee offers the following resolution and recommends its adoption:

Resolved, That charters be granted to Fruitvale, Halcyon, La Mesa, Miriam, Sierra Madre, Ada, Golden Chain, Ruth, Bethany, and Lindsay Chapters.

J. C. LE MASTERS,
H. C. COOPER,
MAUD EMMA BOWMAN,
Committee.

Which report was concurred in and the accompanying recommendation adopted.

The Representatives of the above named Chapters were on motion given voice and vote in the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Patron stated that since the receipt of the telegram from Brother Boller, he had learned of his illness. On motion of Brother LeMasters it was ordered that a telegram bearing a message of sympathy from the Grand Chapter be sent to our Past Grand Patron.

The Grand Patron announced as the next order of business, the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year and named as tellers:

Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns; Worthy Patron John E. Hartell, of Pacific Chapter, No. 192, and Past Patron Edward G. Binz, of South Gate Chapter, No. 133.

Past Grand Patron Casimir Jackson Wood stated that he believed the name of but one brother had been mentioned for the office of Grand Patron, and moved that the Grand Patron instruct some one member of the Grand Chapter to cast the ballot of this Grand Chapter for Brother John L. McNab, of Casimir Chapter, No. 252, for Grand Patron. The motion was entertained and prevailed unanimously.

The Grand Patron then named Worthy Matron, Mattie E. Hutchison, of Casimir Chapter, to cast the ballot of the Grand Chapter for Brother McNab for Grand Patron. The ballot was announced and John Liddle McNab was declared to be the unanimous choice of the Grand Chapter for Grand Patron for the ensuing year.

Members were then requested to prepare their ballots for Worthy Grand Matron.

A communication was received from the various Chapters of Los Angeles extending an invitation to the Grand Chapter to hold the annual session of 1912 in the city of Los Angeles. The communication was laid over, to be taken up under the head of Unfinished Business.

The tellers announced that they were ready to tally the ballot for Grand Matron.

Worthy Patron August Juegen Koll, of South Gate Chapter, No. 133, stated that it was the request of Sister Ella I. Mitchell, that her name be withdrawn as a candidate for Grand Matron and that Sister Stannard be elected unanimously. He made a motion to this effect, which was seconded and carried and the Grand Patron instructed the Grand Secretary to cast the unanimous ballot of the Grand Chapter for Sister

Stannard. The ballot was announced and the Grand Patron declared Lena Walker Stannard, of Long Beach Chapter, No. 173, unanimously elected Grand Matron for the ensuing year.

George F. Hirsch, Worthy Patron of Long Beach Chapter, extended the thanks of his Chapter and of Sister Stannard to Sister Mitchell and moved that a vote of thanks from the Grand Chapter be extended to her.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until two o'clock P. M.

In Grand Chapter

AFTERNOON SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, October 18th, A. D. 1911.

The Grand Chapter was called on at two o'clock P. M., the Worthy Grand Patron presiding.

The election of Grand Officers was then continued, the Grand Patron requesting the members to prepare their ballots for Grand Associate Patron.

George Gore Vanderlip, of San Rafael Chapter, No. 215, receiving a majority of all the votes cast, he was declared elected Grand Associate Patron for the ensuing year.

The tellers were then discharged with a vote of thanks.

The Grand Patron requested the members to prepare their ballots for Grand Associate Matron, and named as tellers:

Past Patron Joseph Rosenberg, of Olive Branch Chapter, No. 169; Past Matron Maude Noble Haven, of Ivy Chapter, No. 27, and Past Matron Maude Ellen Denney, of Placer Chapter, No. 49.

Mrs. Addie Lee Sleeper, of Berkeley Chapter, No. 178, receiving a majority of all the votes cast, she was declared elected Grand Associate Matron for the ensuing year.

The tellers were then discharged with a vote of thanks.

Past Grand Patron Phineas Fanning Ferguson, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., of California:

Your Committee on Finance have carefully examined the books, warrants and vouchers of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, including the reports as forwarded from the subordinate Chapters.

We are pleased to report that the books and records are correct, as covered in detail by the reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, which show a balance on hand September 1, 1911, of \$14,481.50.

Estimating the mileage and contingent expenses of the present session of the Grand Chapter at \$4,000.00, there would remain a balance of \$10,481.50.

Disbursements per books of the Grand Secretary.....	\$16,796.82
Disbursements per books of the Grand Treasurer.....	16,680.89

\$ 115.93

Which is accounted for as follows:

Warrant No. 27 (drawn but not cashed).....	\$ 50.00
Warrant No. 28 (drawn but not cashed).....	99.73

Total	\$149.73

Issued in 1910, paid in 1911:

Warrant No. 437.....	\$29.80
Warrant No. 404.....	4.00

Total	33.80	\$ 115.93

Your Committee is pleased to report that all except four of the Chapters paid the per capita tax before the 1st of September. Valid reasons were given for the delinquency. Your Committee recommends the remission of the fines paid by these Chapters.

Respectfully submitted,

PHINEAS F. FERGUSON,

CAROLINE R. OGILVIE,

Committee.

Which report was concurred in and the recommendation therein contained adopted.

Past Grand Patron Phineas Fanning Ferguson, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented the following resolution:

To the Grand Chapter O. E. S. of California:

Your Committee on Finance notes that the cost of printing the Roster is in excess of \$1500.00. It seems to be a needless expense, we therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That the next Roster issued by this Grand Chapter be to include the membership up to January 1, 1914; that a supplement be printed each intervening year, containing the names of the officers and the increase and decrease in membership of each Subordinate Chapter, and that a copy of same be forwarded to each Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

PHINEAS F. FERGUSON,
CAROLINE R. OGILVIE,

Committee.

Which resolution was adopted.

Past Patron James Calvin LeMasters, Chairman of the Committee on Warrants and Dispensations, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WARRANTS AND DISPENSATIONS.

To the Grand Chapter O. E. S. of California:

Your Committee on Warrants and Dispensations, to whom was referred Recommendation No. 9 contained in the address of the Grand Patron, beg to report as follows:

In view of the fact that the Charter of Ocean View Chapter, No. 111, was lost or destroyed through no fault of theirs, we recommend that a new charter be granted Ocean View Chapter free of charge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEMASTERS,
HARRY CLAY COOPER,
MAUD EMMA BOWMAN,

Committee.

Which report was concurred in and the recommendation adopted.

The following telegrams were read:

MASON CITY, IOWA, Oct. 18, 1911.

To the Grand Matron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of California:

Your prized honor as Representative just received. Will wear badge with pride. Fraternal love.

JENNIE A. RULE,
Grand Representative of Iowa.

BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK, Oct. 18, 1911.

Kate J. Willats, Grand Secretary, San Francisco:

New York sends greetings to the Golden State.

FREDERICK W. PUTNAM,
Grand Representative of New York.

The following letter was received:

BROUGHTY FERRY, October 2, 1911.

Mrs. Kate J. Willats, Grand Secretary, O. E. S., Grand Chapter of California:

DEAR GRAND SECRETARY:—I duly received invitation to annual session of Grand Chapter of California, and were it possible would have esteemed it an honor to be present. Kindly convey to the Grand Matron and Grand Officers, the fraternal greetings of Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland as well as my own. I trust the deliberations at your session may result in lasting good to the Order which lies so near all our hearts.

With fraternal regards,

Sincerely yours,

MARGARET LAWSON KEITH,
Grand Matron of Scotland.

The Grand Patron announced a meeting of the Past Matrons and Past Patrons' Association of California, for Wednesday evening at Golden Gate Commandery Hall, No. 2135 Sutter Street. All members and prospective members were invited to attend.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until nine o'clock A. M. Thursday.

In Grand Chapter

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 19th, A. D. 1911.

The Grand Chapter was called on at nine o'clock A. M., the Worthy Grand Patron presiding. After the offering of prayer by the Grand Chaplain and the singing of an ode, the minutes of the sessions of Wednesday were read and approved.

The Grand Patron announced that a photographer was waiting in the outer hall who desired to take a photograph of the

members of the Grand Chapter. He suggested that a photograph be taken and called off the Grand Chapter for that purpose.

The Grand Chapter was called on and the election of Grand Officers continued, the Grand Patron naming as tellers for the election of Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer,

Worthy Matron Theresa Leona Cartwright, of Sunset Chapter, No. 216; Past Patron William Kirtley Chambers, of Los Angeles Chapter, No. 168, and Worthy Matron Albertine Hirschfeld, of Golden Gate Chapter, No. 1.

Junior Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns, moved that the Junior Past Grand Patron Phineas Fanning Ferguson cast the ballot of the Grand Chapter for Kate J. Willats for Grand Secretary. The motion was entertained and no dissenting voice appearing, the Grand Patron requested Brother Ferguson to prepare the ballot of the Grand Chapter for Grand Secretary.

The ballot was announced and the Grand Patron declared Kate Josephine Willats, of Golden Gate Chapter, No. 1, elected Grand Secretary for the ensuing year.

The election of Grand Treasurer was then gone into, resulting in the election of Past Matron Lillian Bond Hammar, of Silver Star Chapter, No. 3, as Grand Treasurer for the ensuing year.

This concluding the election of officers, the tellers were discharged with a vote of thanks.

The Grand Patron made the following appointments to fill vacancies on committees:

Committee on Constitution and Laws—Chairman, Past Grand Patron Florin Leslie Jones, Past Patron Wm. Kirtley Chambers, of Los Angeles Chapter, No. 168; Past Grand Associate Matron Lulu Lucas.

Committee on Mileage—Chairman, Past Grand Patron Benjamin Brooks Cartwright.

The Grand Patron announced that the Representatives of other Grand Chapters near the Grand Chapter of California would be received Friday morning.

Past Grand Patron George Louis Darling, from the Special Committee appointed at the last annual session to revise the Constitution and Digest, presented the following report:

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S. of California:

We, your Committee appointed at the last session of this Grand Body to revise the Constitution and Decisions that have been amended and adopted subsequent to the last issue of 1907, find up to and including that date, every amendment complete. We have considered it to be our duty to search out all amendments, decisions and resolutions adopted by the Grand Chapter for the years 1908, 1909, 1910, and to report for elimination such matter as has been rendered void or in conflict with later amendments and decisions now in effect.

We therefore recommend that the Committee on Constitution and Laws add the following amendments to the Constitution and Special Rules; also the decisions, and eliminate the "dead wood," and when decisions are made that involve question and answer, to strike out questions where the answer is sufficient for a decision on the point asked about.

We also ask to have decisions and amendments of this session (1911) included if there are any.

We recommend that Article I, Sec. 2, be amended to conform to Ritual as to officers' titles.

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We also recommend that decisions as follows be re-arranged:

Strike out 315 and retain 326.

Strike out 110 and retain 121.

Strike out 113 and retain 93.

Strike out 246 and retain 246a.

Strike out 242, 242a and retain 245.

Strike out 179 and retain 182, changing the word "Sister" to candidate.

Strike out 237, 238 and retain 243.

Strike out 130 and retain 141.

Strike out 198, 199a and retain 199.

Strike out 206, 191 and retain 176.

Strike out 35 and retain 32.

Strike out 228 and retain 230, 232.

Strike out 20 and retain 124.

Strike out 299 and retain 300.

Strike out 250 and retain 251.

Strike out 46 and retain 294.

Strike out 229 and retain 234.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLA T. HALL,
GEO. L. DARLING,
Committee.

Which report was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Past Matron Fidelia Beck, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, presented the report of her Committee, which was ordered printed in full as an appendix to the Proceedings.

A telegram was read from the Chamber of Commerce of San Jose, inviting the Grand Chapter to hold the session of 1912 in that city. Action on same was postponed, to come up later under the head of Unfinished Business, with other invitations received.

Past Grand Matron Fannie Thomas McCowen, Chairman of the Committee on Necrology, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of California, Order of the Eastern Star:

"How fast they fall those we have known,
As leaves from autumn branches blown
So quickly sear.
Yes, one by one they drop away,
As withered leaves they fall and stray
And disappear."

Many are the homes that have been darkened by the shadow of the Angel's wings, and many are the hearts that have been bereaved during the past year. And here we bring the heart's best tribute, love's sincerest offering, in memory of our dear fraternal dead, and tender, heartfelt sympathy for those bowed down with grief and sorrow.

Three hundred and twenty links have fallen from the Golden Chain on earth and taken their places in the Grand Chapter on high and while,

"A rose to the living is more
Than sumptuous wreaths to the dead,"

yet we should "let our best thoughts go forth to those passed o'er," for many of them have left behind them a record of devotion to duty and a monument of good and noble deeds that entitle them to our best and tenderest thoughts.

Of this number was Past Grand Associate Patron, Benjamin A. Plant, whose death on February 16, 1911, caused a vacancy in the Grand Chapter of California and the Order of the Eastern Star, as well as in the hearts of the members, that cannot be easily filled. As Chairman of the Committee on Transportation, which responsible position he filled for many years, he was one of the most valued and useful members of the Grand Chapter of California. Although an invalid for years before he passed away, he was ever patient, cheerful, and kind, and was greatly beloved by all who knew him.

Brother Plant was elected Grand Associate Patron of the Grand Chapter of California in 1900 and filled that responsible position with credit to himself and honor to the Grand Chapter. Loving the Order of the Eastern Star devotedly, he labored cheerfully and unceasingly for its welfare and prosperity, and was always true to its best interests.

He was a member of Santa Cruz Lodge, No. 38, F. & A. M.; Santa Cruz Chapter, No. 38, R. A. M.; Santa Cruz Commandery, Knights Templar; Santa Cruz Council, Royal and Select Masters; Idlewild Chapter, Order of Eastern Star; Branciforte Lodge of Odd Fellows; Isabella Rebekah Lodge, No. 17, and Court Santa Cruz, Foresters of America.

He was prominent not only in fraternal circles, but in political and business circles as well, and filled many positions of honor and trust. In all of these relations he was faithful and true, and at life's close well merited the plaudit, "well done good and faithful servant."

Here in this beautiful city, where so many members of the Order have assembled with hearts so light and gay, there is a home that is shrouded in gloom; there are hearts that are sad and sorrowful; there is a Chapter whose altar will be draped with the emblems of woe, for only one short day ago, Sister Dora Wright, a Past Matron, and one of the most devoted and faithful members of Starr King Chapter, No. 204, passed away to the Great Beyond. These sad dispensations of a Father's providence are past our comprehension, but this we know, "He doeth all things well," and if we wait and murmur not, some time we shall understand.

In addition to those of our own jurisdiction who have passed over the river during the past year, are many from our sister jurisdictions; among

them Sister Elmira Foley, Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter, 1878-1880, and several Past Grand Matrons. Thus one by one the earthly links are broken.

"But as narrow grows the earthly chain
The circle widens in the sky.
These are our treasures that remain,
But those are stars that shine on high."

and if we but follow the guidance of the Star in the East and be "true to our convictions of right and duty," we have the assurance that,

"At the crystal river's brink
We shall find each broken link,
Some sweet day.
Then the stars that fading here
Left our hearts and homes so dear
We shall find more bright and clear
Some sweet day."

FANNIE T. McCOWEN.

Which report was adopted.

Past Patron William Kettner, Chairman of the Committee on Printing, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

We, the Committee on Printing, beg leave to report as follows:

Having received bids from different firms, a careful comparison was made, and as the firm of Blair-Murdock Company submitted the lowest bid, we awarded to that firm the contract for printing the Annual Proceedings of the Grand Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM KETTNER,
ANNIE M. JOHNSON,
KATE J. WILLATS,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

The Grand Warder reported Past Grand Matron Minnie H. Miller, of the Grand Chapter of New Mexico, and the Representative of the Grand Chapter of the State of California, near that Grand Chapter, in the ante-room. The Grand Patron re-

requested the Grand Matron to preside. The Grand Matron graciously did so and directed the Grand Marshal and Past Grand Matron Chlo Atchison Routzahn to retire and act as escort to our Representative from New Mexico. Sister Miller was escorted to the East, where she was received with Grand Honors and seated with our Past Grand Matrons.

The Grand Patron announced that the work would be exemplified by the Drill Corps on Thursday evening at eight o'clock.

The Grand Chapter was called off until one-thirty o'clock P. M.

In Grand Chapter

AFTERNOON SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 19th, A. D. 1911.

The Grand Chapter was called on at one-thirty P. M., the Worthy Grand Patron presiding.

Past Patron Fred T. Purdy, Chairman of the Committee on Returns, presented the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

We, your committee, having duly and carefully examined the reports of the Subordinate Chapters on file in the office of the Grand Secretary, July 31, 1910, from the 257 chartered Chapters and the ten now working under dispensation, beg to submit the following report, and recommend its adoption:

INCREASE.

July 31, 1910, total membership was.....	30,190
Number of members initiated during the year.....	2,881
Number of members affiliated during the year.....	937
Number of members reinstated during the year.....	69
Errors in reports for year 1910	10

Making a total of 34,087

DECREASE.

Number of members dimitted during the year.....	1,240	
Number of members suspended during the year.....	535	
Number of members lost by death	319	
Number of members expelled during the year.....	3	
Errors in reports for 1910	15	2,112

Leaving a total membership July 31, 1911.....	31,975

A net gain for the year 1911 of.....	1,785

It is a source of great gratification to be able to report that owing to the adoption by this Grand Chapter of the recommendation made last year that the 5 per cent penalty be added and collected, for the failure of the Chapters to make their returns to the office of the Grand Secretary on or before September 1, 1911, there was but one Chapter this year upon whom the fine was imposed, and in view of the extenuating circumstances and also that this same Chapter has only a total membership of 40, your committee would recommend that the fine amounting to \$2.00 be remitted and the same returned to the Chapter, with instructions that the returns must be made on time in the future and that no further leniency will be shown them.

A great number of mistakes in compiling the Grand Chapter returns are noticed—showing carelessness upon the part of the several secretaries of the various Chapters throughout the State; at least 150 letters were written by our Grand Secretary asking for correct data, and if the secretaries under the orders of the Worthy Matron would but read and carefully observe the plain and explicit instructions as set forth by our Grand Secretary this trouble would be avoided. These circulars as prepared are sent to you each year with your blank Grand Chapter report, and were it not for the good judgment of our Grand Secretary and her most able and patient assistant, Sister Susan Willats, the penalty would in many, many cases be added and your Chapter would have it to pay, and it is certainly a part of the duty of the Matrons to see that these instructions are more carefully followed and this important recapitulation of the year's work correctly compiled by the secretaries.

We have 257 chartered Chapters, 10 under dispensation, with total membership of 31,975. The largest net gain being made outside of city jurisdiction. We now have three Chapters with membership of over 500—Mission, No. 155, of San Francisco, with 595 members; Pasadena, No. 108, of Pasadena, ranks second with 525 members, and Oak Leaf, No. 8, of Oakland, with 510 members—eight others with membership of over 300 and twenty with membership of over 200.

In conclusion the Committee wish to thank our Grand Secretary and her able assistant for the invaluable aid and assistance rendered by her office.

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. PURDY,
ANNIE NICOLL,
LOUISE C. HEILBRON,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

The matter of deciding where the next annual session of the Grand Chapter should be held was then taken up for action. The invitations received from the cities of San Jose and Los Angeles were read, and it was decided to hold the next meeting of the Grand Chapter in Los Angeles, October, 1912.

Past Patron Arthur McArthur Seymour, Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

To the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of the State of California:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the decisions of the Worthy Grand Patron, numbered one to thirty-eight, inclusive, hereby respectfully presents a partial report and recommends as follows:

1. That decisions numbered 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 and 37 be approved.
2. That decision numbered 2 be approved. The decision does not pretend to set forth in detail the jurisdiction of Chapters in cities and towns. As stated in the decision, however, the matter is fully set forth in the section of the Constitution therein cited.
3. That decision numbered 6 be approved.

In this connection, however, permit us to say that, in our opinion, if the notice provided for in Section 14, Article II, of the Constitution was not served upon the brother, his reinstatement without penalty is not a matter of charity but a matter of right. If such were the case, the Chapter acquired no jurisdiction to suspend him, and its action in so doing was illegal and void.

4. That decision numbered 23 be approved.

We are informed that in this particular case no limit was asked for and that the fact was incorrectly stated to the Worthy Grand Patron.

If such be the case, neither the decision itself nor this approval by your committee should be construed as a reflection upon Suisun Chapter.

5. That it be and is hereby suggested to the Special Committee on Revision of the Constitution and Digest that it recommend that such of the approved decisions of the Worthy Grand Patron, as it may deem advisable, be printed in the Digest of Decisions, but that the same be printed in succinct form.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. SEYMOUR,

E. W. CONANT,

MINNIE FEYN,

Committee

Which report was adopted.

Past Patron James Calvin LeMasters presented the following resolution:

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S. of California:

Owing to the fact that our present mode of electing our Grand Officers has become exceedingly burdensome, tiresome and confusing as well as nerve-racking to all members of the Grand Chapter, consuming a great amount of valuable time to the detriment of other proceedings of the Grand Chapter, I hereby offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That our manner of conducting elections be changed and conducted as follows:

That the Grand Patron shall appoint an election board of five members to be approved by the Grand Chapter, who shall have charge of the election and see that ballots are properly deposited.

That a ballot, uniform in size and color, shall be furnished by the Grand Secretary upon which the names shall be written for the several Officers to be elected, voting for one and all at the same time.

That the polls of said election shall be opened at nine-thirty A. M. Wednesday, the second day of the session of the Grand Chapter and continue open from nine-thirty A. M. to two-thirty P. M. of the same day, with such adjournments as are necessary, when the polls shall be declared closed.

That one or more of the Committee on Credentials shall be present and check off the names of each one entitled to vote as they deposit their ballots.

When the polls are closed the election board will proceed to call and tally the ballots substantially in the same manner and form as in a general State or National Election.

In case of no election on first ballot of any one or more officers the polls will again be opened at such time as the Grand Chapter shall decide and proceed to ballot from time to time until all Officers have been declared elected.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. LEMASTERS.

Which resolution was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Past Grand Matron Paulina Wetzlar Dohrmann presented the following resolution:

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S. of California:

Believing that much valuable time and energy could be saved which is usually spent in an endeavor to make clear to new members of the Grand Chapter who are entitled to ballot, I beg leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That six weeks prior to Grand Chapter the Grand Patron send out to each subordinate Chapter a printed or typewritten letter of instruction, making clear to each Chapter who are legally entitled to ballot, the manner of electing a Representative, certificate necessary for such, etc. Also to give clear information regarding Past Matron's or Past Patron's vote; the number of ballots; how to prepare and deposit the same, and all such other information as may be necessary.

Which resolution was referred to the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

On motion of Past Grand Matron Mabel Boyd Seymour, that portion of the Grand Matron's address which had been referred to the Grand Chapter for action was then taken up. Sister Seymour moved that the Grand Officers of this Grand Chapter be selected with the idea of presenting the work of this Grand Chapter at the annual sessions, and with the idea also that they be drilled in the work by the Grand Matron. Motion seconded and carried.

The Grand Chapter was then called off until nine-thirty o'clock, Friday morning.

In Grand Chapter

MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 20th, A. D. 1911.

The Grand Chapter was called on at nine-thirty o'clock, the Worthy Grand Patron presiding. After the offering of prayer by the Grand Chaplain and the singing of an ode, the minutes of the sessions of Thursday were read and approved.

The Grand Marshal being absent, the Grand Matron requested Past Matron Mand Noble Haven, of Ivy Chapter, No. 27, to assume her station.

The Grand Patron announced the following appointment to fill a vacancy on the Committee on Finance: Past Patron John Liddle McNab, of Casimir Chapter, No. 252.

Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns presented the following resolution:

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Resolved, That the following addition be inserted in our Instruction Book:

When the Marshal is back of Esther's chair and the Conductress in her station—with brothers on the South and sisters on the North to be escorted to the East—the Conductress takes the brothers in line before proceeding back of Esther's chair.

Which resolution was referred to the Committee on Ritual.

Past Patron Arthur McArthur Seymour, Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented the following

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence to whom was referred Recommendations of the Worthy Grand Patron, numbered 4 and 5, hereby respectfully report and recommend the approval and adoption of both of said recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. SEYMOUR,
E. W. CONANT,
MINNIE FENYN,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence hereby respectfully reports and recommends:

That Decision numbered 12 be approved, except that portion thereof to the effect that, at the time of the passage of the resolution of intention to purchase the stock, there must be ample and sufficient funds in the treasury of the Chapter to pay for the entire amount subscribed for.

That Decisions numbered 29, 35, 36 and 38 be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. SEYMOUR,

E. W. CONANT,

MINNIE FENYN,

Committee.

Which report was adopted.

The hour having arrived for the reception of the Representatives of other Grand Chapters near the Grand Chapter of California, the Worthy Grand Matron assumed the chair of the presiding officer and instructed the Grand Marshal and Grand Conductress to escort the distinguished visitors into the Chapter Hall; returning, the Grand Marshal introduced the following Representatives to our Grand Matron, who extended a cordial welcome. They were escorted to the East, where they were received with Grand Honors.

Arkansas—Past Grand Matron Clara Abbott Giberson.

Arizona—Past Matron Ellen Reimer.

Colorado—Past Matron Lillian Bond Hammar.

Connecticut—Past Matron Ray Goldsmith.

District of Columbia—Past Grand Matron Mary Josephine Young.

Florida—Past Matron Jennie Prentice Mossholder.

Georgia—Past Grand Matron Gertrude Swain Freeman.

Illinois—Past Grand Matron Mabel Boyd Seymour.

Indiana—Past Grand Matron Annie Elizabeth Briggs.

Kansas—Past Matron Tryphinnie Bayard Janes.

Kentucky—Past Grand Treasurer Adaline Bloom Runyon.

Maine—Grand Secretary Kate Josephine Willats.

Michigan—Past Grand Matron Annie Marie Johnson.

Mississippi—Past Grand Matron Chlo Atehison Rontzahn.
 Montana—Past Grand Treasurer Helen M Seeman
 Nebraska—Past Grand Matron Mary Beakes Moore.
 New Hampshire—Past Grand Associate Matron Emilie Cartwright Swain.
 New York—Past Grand Associate Matron Sarah Cassidy.
 New Mexico—Past Grand Associate Matron Elmira Frances West.
 Ohio—Past Grand Associate Matron Kate Elizabeth Boyd.
 Oregon—Past Matron Maud Noble Haven.
 Pennsylvania—Past Grand Matron Paulina Wetzlar Dohrmann.
 Rhode Island—Past Grand Matron Abbie Elvenia Krebs.
 South Dakota—Past Grand Matron Frances Ellen Ryder.
 Texas—Past Grand Matron Mary Elizabeth Partridge.
 Vermont—Past Grand Treasurer Sarah Isabelle Hubbard.
 Wisconsin—Past Matron Mary Elliot Seymour.
 Wyoming—Past Grand Associate Matron Lulu Lucas.
 Scotland—Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns.
 Washington—Past Grand Matron Anna Dreher Dudderar.

Past Grand Patron Phineas Fanning Ferguson, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the following:

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Grand Chapter of California:

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred Recommendations Nos. 1 and 6 of the Worthy Grand Matron, beg to report as follows:

Regarding Recommendation No. 1, the Constitution provides for the payment by the Grand Chapter of the expenses incurred by the District Deputy Grand Matrons for one yearly visit to a Chapter. It also provides that other visits may be made if requested by the Chapter; that whenever a Chapter shall request the visit of the District Deputy Grand Matron, said Chapter shall pay such necessary expenses as may be incurred in performing such visit.

Your Committee is of the opinion that the object sought to be obtained is fully covered by the Constitution as it now reads, and recommends that no expense be assumed by this Grand Chapter in connection with the visit to a Chapter by the District Deputy Grand Matron other than now provided for.

Your Committee recommends that Recommendation No. 6 of the Worthy Grand Matron relative to the revision and printing of a new edition of the Instruction Book be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

PHINEAS F. FERGUSON,
 JOHN L. McNAB,
 CAROLINE OGILVIE,

Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Finance recommend that the three dollars, paid by Fresno Chapter, No. 295, for a Special Dispensation granted by reason of the charter having been delayed in transit, be remitted.

Respectfully submitted,

PHINEAS F. FERGUSON,
JOHN L. McNAB,
CAROLINE OGILVIE,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S.:

It is certainly conceded by all who are in attendance at this session of the Grand Chapter, that Sister Fidelia Beck has presented to this Grand Chapter a most interesting and complete report on Foreign Correspondence; one exceedingly interesting to read.

In bringing this subject to the attention of the Grand Chapter, your Committee in no way take exception to the report of Sister Beck, but offer as a guide for the future the following:

Resolved, That the report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence be so condensed as not to exceed 100 pages when printed.

Respectfully submitted,

PHINEAS F. FERGUSON,
JOHN L. McNAB,
CAROLINE OGILVIE,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Finance recommend that the Grand Treasurer be instructed to deposit the sum of \$1,000.00 as a term deposit in a savings bank, that a higher rate of interest may be earned.

Respectfully submitted,

PHINEAS F. FERGUSON,
JOHN L. McNAB,
CAROLINE OGILVIE,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred Recommendations Nos. 2, 3 and 7 in the address of the Grand Patron, beg leave to report as follows:

Regarding Recommendation No. 2, the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, having served in that capacity for a number of years past, is more than familiar with the work required of and duties to be performed by our very efficient Grand and Assistant Grand Secretaries.

Your Committee fully coincide with all that our Worthy Grand Patron has said relative to the very arduous duties which devolve upon our Grand Secretary and her assistant, and recommend that the salary of the Assistant Grand Secretary be one hundred dollars per month, commencing October 1st, of the present year.

Recommendation No. 3 proposes to place upon the pay roll of the Grand Chapter the Past Grand Matrons and the Past Grand Patrons, or in other words, that the mileage of the Past Grand Officers be paid by the Grand Chapter.

Your Committee, realizing the value of the counsel and experience of the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons at the deliberations of the Grand Chapter, concur in the Recommendation that mileage be paid to them.

Recommendation No. 7 proposes the raising of a fund for the purpose of constructing, furnishing and maintaining a building on the Exposition grounds at San Francisco and San Diego for the benefit of the members of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Your Committee is in full accord with the views of our Worthy Grand Patron that such a building would be of incalculable benefit, not only to the members of the Order from without the State of California, but also to those within its borders.

As to the method of raising the necessary funds, your Committee recommends that the Grand Chapter signify its approval of a communication to be sent to each subordinate Chapter within this Grand Jurisdiction, soliciting voluntary subscriptions to this very worthy cause along the lines as suggested by the Worthy Grand Patron, viz.:

That an amount equal to fifty cents per member be solicited from each Chapter, payable as follows:

One-fourth or 12½ cents per member be paid in 1912, one-half or 25 cents per member be paid in 1913, and the remaining one-fourth or 12½ cents be paid in 1914.

We further recommend that a Committee of Five be appointed to take charge of this fund and take such steps as may be deemed proper in carrying out the provisions herein named.

It being understood that this Grand Chapter is in no way liable for any obligations entered into by said Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

PHINEAS F. FERGUSON,

JOHN L. McNAB,

CAROLINE OGILVIE,

Committee.

Which report was concurred in and the recommendations adopted.

Brother Ferguson, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said he would like to name three of the five members of the above Committee, and suggested Past Grand Matron Abbie Elvenia Krebs for Chairman of the Committee; Past Grand Matron Clara Abbott Giberson and our Grand Patron William John Mossholder; he suggested further that our present Grand Patron name the fourth member of the Committee and that the naming of the fifth member of the Committee be left to the incoming Grand Patron.

The Grand Patron then named Past Grand Patron Phineas Fanning Ferguson as the fourth member of the Committee.

The following telegram was read.

UKIAH, October 20, 1911.

Mrs. Kate J. Willats, Grand Secretary:

Casimir Chapter congratulates the Grand Chapter upon the choice of Patron; also extends felicitations to Brother John.

E. G. BUSCH,

Secretary.

Past Grand Matron Ella Tyler Hall appeared and was seated.

Past Grand Patron Florin Leslie Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Constitution and By-laws, presented the following

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND
BY-LAWS.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S.:

Your Committee to whom was referred so much of the Worthy Grand Patron's address as pertains to his actions in approving By-laws of subordinate Chapters, have considered the same and find that the By-laws of new Chapters are uniform with the requirements of the Constitution and regulations of the Grand Chapter; that all amendments to existing By-laws of other Chapters are within the purview of their rights and that his approval of each and all was justified.

We therefore offer the following resolution and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That the action of the Worthy Grand Patron upon By-Laws of new Chapters and amendments to By-laws of other Chapters be and the same is hereby approved.

Respectfully submitted,
FLORIN L. JONES,
W. K. CHAMBERS,
LULU LUCAS,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Constitution and By-laws to whom was referred the resolution introduced by Brother LeMasters hereby respectfully reports and recommends the adoption of said resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
FLORIN L. JONES,
W. K. CHAMBERS,
LULU LUCAS,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Constitution and By-laws to whom was referred the resolution introduced by Sister Dohrmann hereby respectfully reports and recommends the adoption of said resolution.

Respectfully submitted,
FLORIN L. JONES,
W. K. CHAMBERS,
LULU LUCAS,
Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Committee on Constitution and By-laws to whom was referred the Recommendation of the Worthy Grand Patron numbered 1, relative to an addition to the Uniform Code of By-laws, hereby respectfully reports and recommends the adoption of said recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORIN L. JONES,

W. K. CHAMBERS,

LULU LUCAS,

Committee.

Which report was adopted.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Committee to whom was referred the recommendation of the Worthy Grand Patron, numbered 6, relative to changing the title of the Grand Chapter, recommend that Section 1 of Article I of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:

This Grand Chapter shall be known and designated by the name and style of "The Grand Chapter of the State of California of the Order of the Eastern Star."

Respectfully submitted,

FLORIN L. JONES,

W. K. CHAMBERS,

LULU LUCAS,

Committee.

Which report was adopted.

Past Grand Matron Abbie Elvenia Krebs, Chairman of the Committee on Ritual, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RITUAL.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Ritual Committee to whom was referred Recommendations Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the Worthy Grand Matron respectfully report that they approve of them and recommend their adoption.

That the resolution of Past Grand Matron Burns, regarding the work of Conductress when the Marshal is back of Esther's chair and Conductress in her station and a Brother on the South, etc., has been considered and we recommend its adoption.

Schools of Instruction have been held in both San Francisco and Los Angeles, and a specimen of the kind of work that can be given by a drill corps was given you last evening and needs no comment from us.

Respectfully submitted,

ABBIE E. KREBS,
M. E. PARTRIDGE,
ANNIE E. BRIGGS,
CHLO A. ROUTZAHN,
ANNA D. DUDDERAR,
Committee.

On motion of Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns, the recommendations of the Grand Matron were taken up seriatim.

Recommendations Nos. 2, 3 and 4 were adopted. Recommendation No. 5 was not adopted.

The report of the Committee on Ritual was then adopted.

Past Grand Patron George Louis Darling moved that THE EASTERN STAR JOURNAL, now edited by Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns, be made the official organ of this Grand Chapter. Motion was seconded and carried.

The following bills were read and referred to the Committee on Finance:

Walter N. Brunt Company, badges.....	\$ 64.00
General Grand Chapter, supplies	112.70
Galloway Lithographing Company, charters	39.00

The Grand Chapter was then called off until one-thirty o'clock P. M.

In Grand Chapter

AFTERNOON SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 20th, A. D. 1911.

The Grand Chapter was called on at one-thirty o'clock, the Grand Patron presiding.

Past Grand Patron James Bestor Merritt, from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

To the Grand Chapter of California, O. E. S.:

Your Committee has carefully examined a paper placed in their hands by the Grand Patron entitled,

"R. G. Hill et al., *versus* the Worthy Patron of West Lake Chapter."

This is a statement of alleged grievances, all of which has been fully considered and determined by this Grand Chapter.

This paper is neither in the form of an appeal or a petition for restoration and your Committee do not consider that any matter has been placed in their hands on which to base a report; in other words, there is nothing before us.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA COATE,

JAMES B. MERRITT,

Committee.

Which report was adopted.

Past Grand Patron Florin Leslie Jones moved that the suspension of Past Patron Henry Mix Hurd, of West Lake Chapter, No. 268, cease and terminate this day and date.

The motion was entertained and prevailing, the Grand Patron declared the sentence of suspension imposed by this Grand Chapter in October, 1909, upon Henry Mix Hurd, Past Patron of West Lake Chapter, No. 268, terminated and ended and the Grand Secretary was directed to issue a certificate to that effect.

By request of the Grand Matron, Past Grand Matron Abbie Elvenia Krebs moved that Recommendation No. 5 contained in the address of the Grand Matron be expunged from her

report. The motion was entertained and prevailing the request of the Grand Matron was granted.

Past Grand Patron Phineas Fanning Ferguson, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S.:

Your Finance Committee recommend the appropriation of the following amounts to cover the disbursements of the Grand Chapter for the ensuing year:

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$14,481.50
Per capita tax on 33,000 members, Grand Chapter dues.....	8,250.00
Per capita tax on 33,000 members, Representative Fund.....	4,950.00
Per capita tax on 2,500 new members	1,250.00
Ten new Chapters	300.00
Supplies	850.00
Special Dispensations, Grand Chapter Dimits, etc.	100.00
Total	<u>\$30,181.50</u>

ESTIMATED DISBURSEMENTS.

Mileage to Representatives	\$ 3,469.35
Printing and binding	4,000.00
Salary Grand Secretary	1,800.00
Salary Assistant Grand Secretary	1,200.00
Contingent expenses Grand Matron	1,000.00
Rent of office Grand Secretary	720.00
Expenses District Deputy Grand Matrons, 1911-1912.....	700.00
Schools of Instruction for District Deputies, 1911-1912.....	300.00
Furniture, office of Grand Secretary	400.00
General Grand Chapter, supplies	300.00
Contingent expenses office Grand Secretary	300.00
General Grand Chapter, as per bills read Grand Chapter.....	112.70
Contingent expenses Grand Patron	250.00
Expenses shipping Proceedings and Roster	250.00
Incidental expenses Grand Chapter session	150.00
Telephone office Grand Secretary	125.00
Jewel Grand Matron, 1911-1912	100.00
Walter N. Brunt Company, badges.....	64.00
Jewel Grand Patron, 1911-1912	50.00

Phineas Fanning Ferguson, Chairman Committee on Finance..\$	50.00
Fidelia Beck, Chairman Foreign Correspondence.....	50.00
Benjamin B. Cartwright, Chairman Committee on Mileage....	50.00
Grand Treasurer, salary	50.00
Grand Treasurer, office expenses	10.00
Galloway Lithographing Company, charters	39.00
Fines remitted to delinquent Chapters.....	35.35
Premium on bonds, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer....	30.00
Refund to Fresno Chapter, account Special Dispensation.....	3.00
Total	\$15,608.40

Your Committee respectfully submits the following resolution and recommends its adoption:

Resolved, That the sum of \$15,608.40 be and the same is hereby appropriated from the funds of the Grand Chapter for the payment of its expenses for the ensuing year and that the Grand Matron and Grand Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to draw warrants on the Grand Treasurer in such sums as may be necessary up to that amount. It being understood, however, that the amount hereby appropriated is deemed sufficient to cover, if not more than cover, the necessary expenses for all legitimate purposes and in no event should the appropriation be exceeded.

Respectfully submitted,

PHINEAS F. FERGUSON,
CAROLINE OGILVIE,
JOHN L. McNAB,

Committee.

The Grand Patron stated that \$50.00 each was little enough for the services of Brother Cartwright as Chairman of the Committee on Mileage and Brother Ferguson as Chairman of the Committee on Finance at this session, and instructed the Chairman of the Finance Committee to insert the names of these Brothers in his report of estimated expenses to be paid on account of this session.

No objection appearing, it was ordered that the names of the Brothers, together with the amounts named, be inserted in the report. With these changes the report was then adopted.

The Grand Secretary reported that the Chapters to which charters had been granted at this session had been numbered and were located as follows:

Fruitvale Chapter, No. 297, at Oakland, Alameda County.
Haleyon Chapter, No. 298, at Los Angeles, Los Angeles County.
Sierra Madre Chapter, No. 299, at Sierra Madre, Los Angeles County.
La Mesa Chapter, No. 300, at La Mesa, San Diego County.
Ada Chapter, No. 301, at Sacramento, Sacramento County.
Miriam Chapter, No. 302, at Perris, Riverside County.
Golden Chain Chapter, No. 303, at Oakland, Alameda County.
Bethany Chapter, No. 304, at Colfax, Placer County.
Ruth Chapter, No. 305, at So. San Francisco, San Mateo County.
Lindsay Chapter, No. 306, at Lindsay, Tulare County.

The Grand Patron announced that the Installation of Officers would take place at eight o'clock P. M., and the Grand Chapter was then called off until that hour.

In Grand Chapter

EVENING SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 20th, A. D. 1911.

The Grand Chapter was called on at eight o'clock P. M., the Grand Patron presiding.

Past Grand Patron Ernest Woodbury Conant, from the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented a verbal report referring Recommendation No. 5 of the Grand Patron, which had been referred to his Committee, to the incoming Committee on Jurisprudence.

Which report was adopted.

Past Grand Matron Mabel Boyd Seymour moved that it be the sense of this Grand Body that in the initiation ceremonies the lights shall be lowered when the door is opened for the entrance of candidates.

The motion was entertained and prevailing it was so ordered.

Past Grand Patron Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, Chairman of the Committee on Mileage, presented the following

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE.

To the Grand Chapter, O. E. S. of California:

Your Committee on Mileage respectfully submit the following statement showing the names and numbers of all the Chapters in this jurisdiction and the amount allowed to Grand Officers, Chairmen of Committees, and Representatives of Chapters:

REPRESENTATIVES.

Golden Gate	No. 1..\$.....	Whcatland	No. 48..\$ 4.95
Suisun	No. 2.. 2.00	Placer	No. 49.. 6.50
Silver Star	No. 3.. 1.35	Homo	No. 50.. 3.15
Oak Leaf	No. 8..	Alturas	No. 51.. 41.15
Evangeline	No. 9.. 7.85	Sincerity	No. 53.. 28.00
Evening Star	No. 10.. 28.15	Marysville	No. 55.. 5.00
Martha Washington	No. 13.. 9.35	Fidelia	No. 56.. 4.95
St. John's	No. 14.. 25.40	Crystal	No. 57.. 4.80
Welcome	No. 17.. 14.40	Kingsley	No. 58.. 4.70
Lily of the Valley	No. 18.. 3.75	Silver Spray	No. 59.. 1.70
Idlewild	No. 19.. 3.75	Yolo	No. 60.. 3.50
Vesper	No. 20.. 8.00	Morning Star	No. 61.. 1.35
Acacia	No. 21.. 23.70	Mountain View	No. 62..
Ferndale	No. 23.. 22.00	Camellia	No. 63.. 20.00
Northern Light	No. 26.. 15.40	Unity	No. 65..
Ivy	No. 27..	Golden Star	No. 66.. 7.80
Vacaville	No. 28..	Friendship	No. 67.. 4.55
Silver Gate	No. 30..	Ocean Spray	No. 68.. 4.20
San Jose	No. 31.. 1.70	Queen Esther	No. 71.. 7.80
Rose Valley	No. 33.. 1.70	Eleeta	No. 72.. 3.95
Vernon	No. 35.. 5.75	Magnolia	No. 73.. 2.95
Naomi	No. 36.. 3.35	Esther	No. 74.. 42.15
Stella	No. 39.. 20.15	Silver Wave	No. 75.. 26.00
Aurora	No. 40.. 8.60	Rohnerville	No. 76.. 21.90
Lily of the Lake	No. 41.. 8.95	Azalia	No. 77.. 7.80
Ariel	No. 42.. 1.95	Marguerite	No. 78.. 19.55
Redding	No. 44.. 9.40	Ventura	No. 79.. 20.60
Ceanothus	No. 45..	Augusta	No. 80.. 14.00
Athens	No. 46.. 3.55	Sotoyome	No. 82.. 2.00
Reveille	No. 47.. 4.35	Molino	No. 83.. 7.55

Veritas	No. 84..\$ 6.90	Angels	No. 134..\$ 8.00
Valley of the Moon	No. 85.. 1.35	Semper Fidelis	No. 135.. 1.70
Marshall	No. 86.. 6.10	Centinela	No. 136.. 5.00
Mountain View	No. 88.. 32.05	Clear Lake	No. 137.. 10.75
Raisina	No. 89.. 7.70	Summit	No. 138.. 6.50
Fallen Leaf	No. 90.. 6.30	Orestimba	No. 139..
Madera	No. 92.. 6.80	Oakland	No. 140..
Heliotrope	No. 93.. 8.35	Miramonte	No. 141.. 1.50
Tulare	No. 94.. 9.35	Copa del Oro	No. 142.. 26.40
Bethlehem	No. 95.. 8.30	Norwalk	No. 143.. 24.30
Southern Star	No. 96.. 31.40	Lyra	No. 144.. 24.20
Ramona	No. 97.. 11.35	Jasmine	No. 145.. 24.60
Beulah	No. 99..	Delano	No. 146.. 10.55
Mizpah	No. 100.. 12.55	Pearl	No. 147.. 24.15
Violet	No. 102.. 7.95	Del Norte	No. 149.. 20.00
Golden Wave	No. 103..	Lodi	No. 150.. 3.70
Josephine	No. 104.. 7.80	Chispa	No. 151.. 24.75
Hermosa	No. 105.. 25.00	Mt. Shasta	No. 153.. 8.95
Ungava	No. 106.. 26.00	Escondido	No. 154.. 30.60
Corona	No. 107.. 9.75	Mission	No. 155..
Pasadena	No. 108.. 24.00	Penrhyn	No. 159.. 4.50
Elk Grove	No. 109.. 4.40	Occident	No. 160.. 24.15
Pomona	No. 110.. 25.00	Gold Ridge	No. 161.. 1.70
Ocean View	No. 111.. 15.50	Crown	No. 162.. 26.70
Hesperian	No. 112.. 32.05	Scepter	No. 163.. 25.50
Santa Monica	No. 113.. 24.20	Onisbo	No. 164..
Palm Leaf	No. 114.. 10.50	Crescent	No. 165.. 12.50
Carita	No. 115..	Esperanza	No. 167.. 23.70
Truckee	No. 116.. 9.30	Los Angeles	No. 168.. 23.70
Columbus	No. 117.. 3.35	Olive Branch	No. 169..
Woodbridge	No. 118.. 3.90	King Solomon's	No. 170..
Amapola	No. 119.. 6.00	Carnation	No. 171.. 24.20
Tuolumne Star	No. 123.. 10.00	Lexington	No. 172.. 24.20
Harmony	No. 124..	Long Beach	No. 173.. 24.15
Bakersfield	No. 125.. 11.90	Harbor	No. 174.. 24.15
Mercedes	No. 126.. 5.40	Sisson	No. 175.. 17.55
Lucerne	No. 127.. 8.90	Miguelito	No. 176.. 12.50
Los Gatos	No. 128.. 2.00	Orient	No. 177.. 1.05
Sierra Star	No. 129.. 18.30	Berkeley	No. 178..
Clover Leaf	No. 130..	Euclid	No. 179.. 25.30
Fidelity	No. 131.. 16.00	Heber	No. 181.. 4.30
South Gate	No. 133.. 23.70	Valley Home	No. 182.. 2.00

California	No. 183..\$.....	East Gate	No. 225..\$23.70
Crockett	No. 184..	Oakdale	No. 226.. 4.50
Santa Paula	No. 185.. 21.30	Monrovia	No. 227.. 24.35
Laurel	No. 186.. .75	Yerba Buena	No. 228..
Eagle	No. 187..	Imperial	No. 229..
Tehachapi	No. 188..	Sapphire	No. 230.. 13.50
Calistoga	No. 189.. 2.75	Lower Lake	No. 231.. 9.75
Sacramento	No. 190.. 3.35	Bonner	No. 232.. 46.15
Fullerton	No. 191.. 25.10	Natoma	No. 233.. 4.30
Pacific	No. 192.. 23.70	Los Ceritos	No. 234.. 1.20
Alhambra	No. 193.. 24.00	Keystone	No. 235.. 1.70
Hilda	No. 194.. 8.50	Glen Eyrie	No. 237.. 23.95
Santa Clara	No. 195.. 1.70	Jewel	No. 238..
San Francisco	No. 196..	Monterey	No. 239.. 4.00
Mt. Whitney	No. 197.. 36.20	Buena Park	No. 240.. 24.50
Maspha	No. 198.. 2.30	La Victoria	No. 241.. 29.90
Ionian	No. 199.. 3.10	Needles	No. 242.. 33.50
Las Mariposas	No. 200.. 17.40	Elsinore	No. 243.. 29.40
Beekwith Star	No. 201..	Milton	No. 244..
La Paloma	No. 202.. 24.60	Ocean Park	No. 245.. 24.20
Sequoia	No. 203..	Plumas	No. 246.. 20.00
Starr King	No. 204..	Columbia	No. 247.. 24.20
Miramar	No. 205..	Hollenbeck	No. 248.. 23.70
Aloha	No. 206..	Acantha	No. 249..
Arcata	No. 207.. 20.70	Sunnyvale	No. 250.. 1.60
Citrus	No. 208.. 6.70	Ideal	No. 251..
Hollywood	No. 209.. 23.70	Casimir	No. 252.. 4.70
Palestine	No. 210.. 23.70	Artesia	No. 253.. 24.25
Colton	No. 211.. 26.00	North East	No. 254.. 51.15
Gate City	No. 212.. 26.00	Richmond	No. 255..
Palo Alto	No. 213.. 1.30	Marietta	No. 256..
Almona	No. 214.. 2.00	Reedley	No. 257.. 8.60
San Rafael	No. 215.. .40	Oriental	No. 258.. 23.70
Sunset	No. 216.. 23.70	Seaside	No. 259.. 24.40
Loyalty	No. 217.. 23.70	Gardena	No. 260.. 24.05
Yosolano	No. 218..	Dinuba	No. 261.. 8.75
Mill Valley	No. 219..	Amity	No. 262..
Pinole	No. 220..	Highland Park	No. 263.. 23.70
Golden Rod	No. 221.. 2.80	San Diego	No. 264.. 31.40
Rio Vista	No. 222..	Daylight	No. 265.. 23.70
Loyal	No. 223..	Garvanza	No. 266.. 23.70
Celandine	No. 224.. 16.05	Golden Rule	No. 267.. 34.00

West Lake	No. 268..\$23.70	Alamo	No. 289..\$33.55
Parnassus	No. 269..	West Gate	No. 290..
Eschscholtzia	No. 270.. 10.55	Point Arena	No. 291.. 15.40
Monte Vista	No. 271.. 10.15	Rose	No. 292.. 4.10
South Pasadena	No. 272.. 23.90	Elvesta	No. 293..
Santa Cruz	No. 273.. 3.75	Pleasanton	No. 294.. 1.50
St. Helena	No. 274.. 2.40	Fresno	No. 295.. 7.70
Burlingame	No. 275.. .70	Wistaria	No. 296.. 4.50
Signal	No. 276.. 34.20	Fruitvale	No. 297..
Athens	No. 277..	Haleyon	No. 298.. 23.70
Vallejo	No. 278.. 1.35	Sierra Madre	No. 299.. 24.20
Mystic Star	No. 279.. 7.20	La Mesa	No. 300.. 32.30
Amo	No. 280..	Ada	No. 301.. 3.35
Pleiades	No. 281.. 23.70	Miriam	No. 302.. 28.50
La Posa	No. 282.. 6.20	Golden Chain	No. 303..
Ione	No. 283.. 6.70	Bethany	No. 304.. 5.80
Albert Pike	No. 284..	Ruth	No. 305..
Garvin	No. 285..	Lindsay	No. 306.. 10.10
Rising Light	No. 286.. 23.90		
Poinsettia	No. 287.. 28.80	Total	\$3,062.30
Fraternity	No. 288.. 1.70		

GRAND OFFICERS.

William John Mossholder, Grand Patron, San Diego.	\$31.40
William Arthur Hicks, Grand Associate Patron, Sacramento.	3.35
Josephine Martha Patten, Grand Treasurer, Los Angeles	23.70
Miriam Garrison Davis, Grand Conductress, Santa Paula.	21.30
Lena Walker Stannard, Grand Marshal, Long Beach.	24.15
Epsie Grace Nutting, Grand Adah, Etna Mills.	28.15
Jessie Grover McNab, Grand Ruth, Ukiah	4.70
Nellie Michell, Grand Esther, Grass Valley.	8.60
Emma Rogers, Grand Electa, Los Angeles	23.70
Jane Driver, Grand Sentinel, San Bernardino	26.00
Total	\$195.05

CHAIRMEN OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Rosa Josephine Burns, Credentials, Los Angeles.	\$ 23.70
Arthur McArthur Seymour, Jurisprudence, Sacramento.	3.35
James Calvin LeMasters, Warrants and Dispensations, Los Angeles	23.70

Florin Leslie Jones, Constitution and By-Laws, San Diego.....	\$ 31.40
Frederick Theodore Purdy, Returns, Los Angeles.....	23.70
Virginia Nellie Coate, Appeals and Grievances, Los Angeles....	23.70
Fidelia Anderson Beck, Foreign Correspondence, Los Angeles...	23.70
Mabel Boyd Seymour, Distribution, Sacramento	3.35
William Kettner, Printing, San Diego	31.40
Benjamin Brooks Cartwright, Mileage, Alhambra.....	24.00
Total	<u>\$212.00</u>

RECAPITULATION.

For Representatives of Chapters	\$3,062.30
For Grand Officers	195.05
For Chairmen of Standing Committees	212.00
Grand Total	<u>\$3,469.35</u>

Resolved, That there be levied upon the Chapters of this Jurisdiction for the ensuing Chapter year in addition to the Grand Chapter dues prescribed by the Constitution, the sum of fifteen (15) cents for each member borne upon the roll at the date of the annual returns, for the account of the Representative Fund, which amount shall be paid at the same time and in the manner prescribed for the payment of the annual dues.

Respectfully submitted,

BEN B. CARTWRIGHT,
MAY W. LANE,
Committee.

Which report was concurred in and the resolution adopted.

By request of the Grand Matron-elect the list of her appointed officers was read by the Grand Secretary as follows:

Grand Conductress	Ella Lorine Adams	Los Angeles
Grand Asso. Conductress.....	Lulu Evelena Adams	Sacramento
Grand Chaplain	Elizabeth Bettina Wheeler	Los Angeles
Grand Marshal	Virginia Nellie Coate	Los Angeles
Grand Adah	Albertine Hirschfeld	San Francisco
Grand Esther	Maude Rosamond Cooke	Mill Valley
Grand Martha	Tryphinnie Bayard Janes	San Francisco
Grand Electa	Effie Hogan Easton	San Francisco

Grand Warder	Mary Angelia Grimes	Pacific Grove
Grand Organist	May D. Maundrell	San Francisco
Grand Sentinel	Kate Wakeman Cooper	Santa Cruz

The Grand Officers elected and appointed were then installed into their respective stations by the retiring Grand Matron, Ada Marsh Dalton, assisted by Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns as Grand Marshal.

Past Grand Patron George Louis Darling presented the following resolution :

WHEREAS, The term of office of our Grand Matron, Ada Marsh Dalton, and of our Grand Patron, William John Mossholder, having expired and they having filled their respective offices with signal ability and to the great satisfaction of the members of the Order in this grand jurisdiction, and endeared themselves to all by their uniform courtesy and kindness,

Therefore, Be it resolved that the thanks of this Grand Body be extended to Ada Marsh Dalton and to William John Mossholder.

Which resolution was adopted.

Votes of thanks were tendered—

To the Palace Hotel management for their many courtesies during the session ;

To Past Grand Patron George Louis Darling for the tables furnished for use during the session ;

To Albert Pike Chapter, No. 284, and to California Chapter, No. 183, for the use of their paraphernalia and regalia.

On motion of Past Grand Associate Patron Arthur Hill Millberry it was ordered that letters of sympathy be sent to Brother James Edward Gordon and to Brother Albert Danielson, members of the Grand Chapter, who were reported ill at the Hahnemann Hospital.

PRESENTATIONS

In behalf of the Grand Chapter Past Grand Patron Casimir Jackson Wood presented jewels of their office to the retiring Grand Matron, Ada Marsh Dalton, and to the retiring Grand Patron, William John Mossholder.

Miriam Garrison Davis, the retiring Grand Conductress, on behalf of her associate Officers, presented the retiring Grand Matron with a beautiful crystal punch bowl; on behalf of the District Deputies of 1911, Past Matron Emily Wood Ferguson presented an exquisite gold bracelet set with amethysts; Grand Electa Effie Hogan Easton, on behalf of the San Francisco Matrons of 1911, presented a large basket of chrysanthemums.

Retiring Grand Martha, Jennie Maud Wayman, on behalf of his associate Officers, presented the retiring Grand Patron, William John Mossholder, with a solid silver service tray; Past Matron Priscilla MacNutt, of Southern Star Chapter, No. 96, on behalf of the Matrons of District No. 32, presented a silver gift in token of their good-will and affection.

To Grand Matron Lena Walker Stannard, on behalf of the 1911 Matrons and Patrons of Los Angeles, Worthy Matron Ophie Rice presented a jade ring of unique design; Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns, on behalf of the sunny Southland, presented flowers; Past Grand Matron Mabel Boyd Seymour presented flowers from the Chapters of Sacramento; Past Grand Conductress Miriam Garrison Davis presented flowers from the Chapters of the Fifteenth District; from her home Chapter, Long Beach, No. 173, came flowers; from Corona Chapter, No. 107, came flowers, and still more flowers.

Past Matron Jennie Brandt of Olive Branch Chapter, No. 169, on behalf of the San Francisco Matrons of 1908, presented a cut-glass berry bowl.

Past Grand Matron Abbie Elvenia Krebs, Chairman of the Ritual Committee, presented artistic baskets filled with delicious sweets to our Grand Matron Lena Walker Stannard, and to Past Grand Matron Ada Marsh Dalton.

Our Grand Patron John Liddle McNab was presented with flowers from the Southland by Past Grand Matron Rosa Josephine Burns; Past Matron Caroline Ogilvie presented a silver spoon and flowers.

To our Grand Associate Matron came a basket of flowers from the Chapters of Berkeley, and large bouquets from her loving daughters.

Flowers were presented to the Grand Treasurer, Lillian Bond Hammar, by her home Chapter, Silver Star, No. 3, through the Worthy Matron, Mary Marshall.

Our genial retiring Grand Associate Patron, William Arthur Hicks, was presented with a handsome cut-glass compote by Past Patron Henry Willis Adams of Ada Chapter, No. 301, a gift from the Sacramento Chapters.

Our Grand Associate Conductress, Lulu Evelena Adams, was presented with a gift of silver from the Worthy Matrons of the Sacramento Chapters.

Past Matron Fidelia Anderson Beck presented our retiring Grand Associate Matron, Nellie Augusta Darling, with a basket of roses in the name of herself, her Sister Past Matron Grace Anderson, and Past Matron Caroline Ogilvie.

Past Grand Associate Patron William Arthur Hicks, on behalf of the Representatives of the Sacramento Chapters, presented Past Grand Matron Mabel Boyd Seymour with a very handsome beaded purse as a birthday gift (this being the day she celebrates), as well as a slight token of the love and esteem in which she is held by the members of the Sacramento Chapters.

Mrs. Lena Walker Stannard, Worthy Grand Matron, in her own happy manner thanked the members of the Grand Chapter for the honor they had conferred upon her in selecting her to fill the highest office within their gift, and hoped by her faithful attention to the duties of the office of Grand Matron to win their love and prove herself worthy of their faith in her; she thanked them also for the gifts and beautiful flowers so lavishly bestowed upon their Grand Matron.

John Liddle McNab, Worthy Grand Patron, in a heart to heart talk with the members, expressed his appreciation of their kindly acts and expressions of good will toward him; he said he looked forward with pleasurable anticipation to his association with them in the work of the Order during the year; he closed with a glowing tribute to the memory of his mother in wonderful words that will linger long in the memory of those who listened to the tones of his magnetic voice.

No further business appearing, after prayer by the Grand Chaplain and the singing of a hymn, the 39th annual session of the Grand Chapter of the State of California of the Order of the Eastern Star was closed in Ample Form.

JOHN LIDDLE McNAB,

KATE JOSEPHINE WILLATS,

Grand Patron.

Grand Secretary.

DISTRICTS AND NAMES OF DEPUTIES.

DISTRICTS.	DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS.	CHAPTERS.
District No. 1..	Mrs. Mary G. Barnes of Ferndale Chapter, No. 23, Ferndale, Humboldt Co....	Ferndale, No. 23. Camellia, No. 63. Rohnerville, No. 76. Del Norte, No. 149. Arcata, No. 207.
District No. 2..	Mrs. Ella R. Sloss, of Alturas Chapter, No. 51, Alturas, Modoc County	Alturas, No. 51. Esther, No. 74. Mountain View, No. 88. Hesperian, No. 112. Eagle, No. 187. Bonner, No. 232. North East, No. 254.
District No. 3..	Mrs. Vera M. Mason, of Fidelity Chapter, No. 131, Dunsmuir, Siskiyou Co.....	Evening Star, No. 10. St. John's No. 14. Welcome, No. 17. Vesper, No. 20. Northern Light, No. 26. Stella, No. 39. Redding, No. 44. Fidelity, No. 131. Mt. Shasta, No. 153. Sisson, No. 175.
District No. 4..	Mrs. Mary L. McCready, of Marysville Chapter, No. 55, Yuba City, Sutter County..	Vernon, No. 35. Wheatland, No. 48. Marysville, No. 55. Fidella, No. 56. Friendship, No. 67. Josephina, No. 104. Amapola, No. 119. Rose, No. 292.
District No. 5..	Mrs. Kate G. Thorne, of Celandine Chapter, No. 224, Loyalton, Sierra County....	Sincerity, No. 53. Truckee, No. 116. Sierra Star, No. 129. Beckwith Star, No. 201. Celandine, No. 224. Plumas, No. 246.
District No. 6..	Mrs. Frankie E. Carlaw, of Columbus Chapter, No. 117, 2425 10th St., Sacramento..	Naomi, No. 35. Fallen Leaf, No. 90. Columbus, No. 117. Onisbo, No. 164. Sacramento, No. 190. Natoma, No. 233. Ada, No. 301.
District No. 7..	Mrs. Zoe Bates, of Valley of the Moon Chapter, No. 85, Sonoma	Rose Valley, No. 33. Morning Star, No. 61. Sotoyome, No. 82. Valley of the Moon, No. 85. Clover Leaf, No. 130. Gold Ridge, No. 161. Valley Home, No. 182.

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DISTRICTS.	DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS.	CHAPTERS.
District No. 8..	Dr. Maude N. Haven, of Ivy Chapter, No. 27, 611 Baker St., San Francisco.....	Golden Gate, No. 1. Ivy, No. 27. Harmony, No. 124. Mission, No. 155. Olive Branch, No. 169. King Solomon, No. 170. California, No. 183. Ruth, No. 303.
District No. 9..	Mrs. Martha Smith, of Vallejo Chapter, No. 278, 304 Sacramento St., Vallejo.....	Silver Star, No. 3. Silver Gate, No. 30. Silver Spray, No. 59. Calistoga, No. 189. Keystone, No. 235. St. Helena, No. 274. Vallejo, No. 278.
District No. 10.	Mrs. Maggie M. King, of Acacia Chapter, No. 21, 141 No. Hancock St., Los Angeles	Acacia, No. 21. South Gate, No. 133. Lyra, No. 144. Esperanza, No. 167. Palestine, No. 210. Hollenbeck, No. 248. Seaside, No. 259. Rising Light, No. 286.
District No. 11.	Mrs. Grace L. Palmtag, of Lily of the Valley Chapter, No. 18, Watsonville	Lily of the Valley, No. 18 Athena, No. 46. Revelle, No. 47. Bethlehem, No. 95. Violet, No. 102. La Posa, No. 282.
District No. 12.	Mrs. Esther L. Pottle, of Fresno Chapter, No. 295, 1526 K Street, Fresno.....	Lily of the Lake, No. 41. Raisina, No. 89. Heliotrope, No. 93. Lucerne, No. 127. Centinela, No. 136. Orestimba, No. 139. Reedley, No. 257. Eschscholtzia, No. 270. Fresno, No. 295.
District No. 13.	Mrs. Lena Y. Willis, of Palm Leaf Chapter, No. 114, Porterville, Tulare County....	Martha Washington, No. 13. Tulare, No. 94. Palm Leaf, No. 114. Bakersfield, No. 125. Delano, No. 146. Tehachapi, No. 188. Dinuba, No. 261. Monte Vista, No. 271. Garvin, No. 285. Lindsay, No. 306.

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District No. 14.	Mrs. Phoebe S. Mains, of Wistaria Chapter, No. 296, Turlock, Stanislaus Co.....	Homo, No. 50. Electa, No. 72. Elk Grove, No. 109. Woodbridge, No. 118. Lodi, No. 150. Milton, No. 244. Wistaria, No. 296.
District No. 15.	Mrs. Lillian A. Thyle, of Corona Chapter, No. 107, 1345 Morro St., San Luis Obispo	Marguerite, No. 78. Ventura, No. 79. Ramona, No. 97. Mizpah, No. 100. Corona, No. 107. Miguelito, No. 175. Santa Paula, No. 185.
District No. 16.	Mrs. Elizabeth Combs, of Carita Chapter, No. 115, 2229 San Antonio Ave., Ala- meda	Oak Leaf, No. 8. Unity, No. 65. Carita, No. 115. Oakland, No. 140. Berkeley, No. 178. Miramar, No. 205. Acantha, No. 249. Athens, No. 277. West Gate, No. 290. Golden Chain, No. 303.
District No. 17.	Mrs. Eva H. Boyd, of Chispa Chapter, No. 151, Anaheim, Orange Co.	Hermosa, No. 105. Norwalk, No. 143. Chispa, No. 151. Occident, No. 160. Scepter, No. 163. Fullerton, No. 191. Buena Park, No. 240. Artesia, No. 253.
District No. 18.	Mrs. Mae V. Unholz, of Euclid Chapter, No. 179, 417 West C St., Ontario....	Silver Wave, No. 75. Ungava, No. 106. Pomona, No. 110. Copa del Oro, No. 142. Crown, No. 162. Euclid, No. 179. Colton, No. 211. Gate City, No. 212. La Victoria, No. 241. Elsinore, No. 243.
District No. 19.	Mrs. Ella T. Clark, of Citrus Chapter, No. 203, Orland, Colusa County	Molino, No. 83. Veritas, No. 84. Marshall, No. 86. Citrus, No. 203. Loyal, No. 223. Mystic Star, No. 279.

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DISTRICTS.	DEPUTY GRAND MATRONS.	CHAPTERS.
District No. 20.	Mrs. Emma J. Prewett, of Crystal Chapter, No. 57, Auburn, Placer County....	Evangeline, No. 9. Aurora, No. 40. Placer No. 49. Crystal, No. 57. Mountain Fern, No. 62. Penrhyn, No. 159. Heber, No. 181. Bethany, No. 304.
District No. 21.	Mrs. Ella S. Griffiths, of San Jose Chapter, No. 31, 1195 Alameda Ave., San Jose...	San Jose, No. 31. Los Gatos, No. 128. Miramonte, No. 141. Laurel, No. 186. Santa Clara, No. 195. Sequoia, No. 203. Palo Alto, No. 213. Sunnyvale, No. 250. Burlingame, No. 275. Fraternity, No. 288.
District No. 22.	Mrs. Ophie E. Rice, of Los Angeles Chapter, No. 168, 757 So. Berendo St., Los Angeles	Pasadena, No. 108. Jasmine, No. 145. Los Angeles, No. 168. Lexington, No. 172. Long Beach, No. 173. La Paloma, No. 202. Sunset, No. 216. Monrovia, No. 227. West Lake, No. 263.
District No. 23.	Mrs. Agnes M. Davey, of Angels Chapter, No. 134, Angels Camp, Calaveras County	Golden Star, No. 66. Queen Esther, No. 71. Azalia, No. 77. Tuolumne Star, No. 123. Angels, No. 134. Crescent, No. 165. Hilda, No. 194. Ione, No. 283.
District No. 24.		Mt. Whitney, No. 197.
District No. 25.	Mrs. Eva Leech, of Almona Chapter, No. 214, Walnut Creek, Contra Costa Co...	Ariel, No. 42. Crockett, No. 184. Maspha, No. 198. Almona, No. 214. Pinole, No. 220. Los Ceritos, No. 234.
District No. 26.	Mrs. Myrtle A. Haycock, of Clear Lake Chapter, No. 137, Lakeport, Lake Co....	Kingsley, No. 58. Augusta, No. 80. Ocean View, No. 111. Clear Lake, No. 137. Sapphire, No. 230. Lower Lake, No. 231. Casimir, No. 252. Point Arena, No. 291.

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District No. 27.	Mrs. Adelheid G. Schultz, of Beulah Chapter, No. 99, 1151 5th Avenue So., San Francisco	Beulah, No. 99. San Francisco, No. 196. Starr King, No. 204. Aloha, No. 206. Yerba Buena, No. 228. Imperial, No. 229. Jewel, No. 238. Ideal, No. 251.
District No. 28.		Needles, No. 242.
District No. 29.	Mrs. Elizabeth Lingenfelder, of Alhambra Chapter, No. 193, 517 Howard Street, Alhambra	Carnation, No. 171. Alhambra, No. 193. Hollywood, No. 209. Glen Eyrie, No. 237. Columbia, No. 247. Highland Park, No. 253. Daylight, No. 265. Garvanza, No. 266. South Pasadena, No. 272.
District No. 30.	Miss Birdie R. Rickart, of Oakdale Chapter, No. 226, Oakdale, Stanislaus Co.	Madera, No. 92. Mercedes, No. 126. Summit, No. 138. Las Mariposas, No. 200. Oakdale, No. 226.
District No. 31.	Mrs. Emma S. Boyd, of Ori- ental Chapter, No. 158, 175 W. 42d St., Los Angeles ..	Santa Monica, No. 113. Pearl, No. 147. Harbor, No. 174. Loyalty, No. 217. East Gate, No. 225. Ocean Park, No. 245. Oriental, No. 258. Gardena, No. 260.
District No. 32.	Mrs. Lena R. Mallery, of La Mesa Chapter, No. 300, La Mesa, San Diego Co.	Southern Star, No. 96. Escondido, No. 154. San Diego, No. 264. Poinsettia, No. 287. La Mesa, No. 300.
District No. 33.	Mrs. Christena Hartell, of Pacific Chapter, No. 192, 1217 Ingraham Street, Los Angeles	Pacific, No. 192. Golden Rule, No. 267. Signal, No. 276. Plejades, No. 281. Alamo, No. 289. Halcyon, No. 298. Sierra Madre, No. 299. Miriam, No. 302.
District No. 34.	Mrs. Annie McDonald, of Semper Fidelis Chapter, No. 135, Livermore, Ala- meda County	Golden Wave, No. 103. Semper Fidelis, No. 135. Orient, No. 177. Marietta, No. 256. Elvesta, No. 293. Pleasanton, No. 294. Fruitvale, No. 297.

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District No. 35.	Mrs. Jennie S. Moore, of Idlewild Chapter, No. 19, Box 194, Santa Cruz.....	Idlewild, No. 19. Ceanothus, No. 45. Ocean Spray, No. 68. Magnolia, No. 73. Monterey, No. 239. Santa Cruz, No. 273.
District No. 36.	Mrs. Edith A. Buck, of Vacaville Chapter, No. 28, Vacaville, Solano County.....	Suisun, No. 2. Vacaville, No. 28. Yolo, No. 60. Ionia, No. 199. Yosolano, No. 218. Golden Rod, No. 221. Rio Vista, No. 222.
District No. 37.	Mrs. Annie L. Nicoll, of Richmond Chapter, No. 255, 2913½ Bush Street, San Francisco	San Rafael, No. 215. Mill Valley, No. 219. Richmond, No. 255. Amity, No. 262. Parnassus, No. 269. Amo, No. 280. Albert Pike, No. 284.

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By Order of the

Grand Chapter of the State of California of the Order
of the Eastern Star,

Is given to the Memory of our Lamented Brother

Benjamin Anthony Plant

Who was born in Amoyo, Chili, February eighteenth, eighteen
hundred and sixty-five, and who died in the City of
Santa Cruz, in the State of California, on the
sixteenth day of February, nineteen
hundred and eleven.

BROTHER PLANT

Became a member of Idlewild Chapter, No. 19, of Santa Cruz,
in 1891, and was elected Worthy Patron of that Chapter
in November, 1891, serving the Chapter in that
capacity for four consecutive years.

October 19, 1900, Brother Plant was elected
**GRAND ASSOCIATE PATRON OF THE GRAND
CHAPTER OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.**

"He is not dead but sleepeth, thy brother shall rise again."

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SARAH MARGARET CHURCH	Suisun No. 2
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ROBERT LOUIS HILL	Oak Leaf No. 8
SARAH NANCY JANE HUGHES	Oak Leaf No. 8
HARRY HARRISON KIRBY	Oak Leaf No. 8
ELIZABETH McDONALD	Oak Leaf No. 8
ELIZABETH PRINZ	Oak Leaf No. 8
SARAH RAND	Oak Leaf No. 8
MARY ANN SMITH	Oak Leaf No. 8
JEF EVERSON TERP	Oak Leaf No. 8
ALMIRA MEAD GLOVER WELCH.....	Oak Leaf No. 8
JAMES ALDEN DIGGLES	Evening Star No. 10
EDITH EMMA TAYLOR	Evening Star No. 10
MAGGIE DAY WRINKLE.....	Martha Washington No. 13
SELDEN LAFAYETTE BLAKE	St. Johns No. 14
JOHANNA BARNICKEL LEVY	St. Johns No. 14
ALMIRA VAN MATRE	St. Johns No. 14
PAST PATRON GEORGE SEITZ.....	Lily of the Valley No. 18
PAST PATRON BENJAMIN ANTHONY PLANT....	Idlewild No. 19
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PAST PATRON WILLIAM DOWNIE.....	Acacia No. 21

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DON E. JOHNSON	Acacia No. 21
WILLIAM SAMUELS	Ferndale No. 23
ALEXANDER WADDINGTON	Ferndale No. 23
LILLIAN MAY BUIST	Northern Light No. 26
SAMUEL BONIFIELD	Ivy No. 27
ADELE HOLT CLEMONS	Ivy No. 27
ANNA VANDERGAW	Ivy No. 27
PAST PATRON ORESTES HUMBOLDT ALLISON	Vacaville No. 28
PAST PATRON WILLIAM HENRY PRICE	Vacaville No. 28
PAST PATRON INGALLS KENNEY BUCK	Vacaville No. 28
HENRY ATWATER	Vacaville No. 28
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ELLA FROST HAPGOOD	San Jose No. 31
WILLIAM CAROLTON HARDY	San Jose No. 31
CECILIA JOSEPHINE KIDDER	San Jose No. 31
GRACE LONG McCASH	San Jose No. 31
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PAST MATRON MARY M HOSMER	Rose Valley No. 33
ELLEN ANGELINE PARK	Rose Valley No. 33
MAY FLOYD	Rose Valley No. 33
ELIZABETH SCHNEIDER	Rose Valley No. 33
ALEXANDER CALDER MACKENZIE	Rose Valley No. 33
MILDRED HARRIET LATIBOP	Rose Valley No. 33
PAST PATRON GEORGE DEIDRICH WICKMAN	Vernon No. 35
CHARLES AUGUSTUS SCHIÖRR	Vernon No. 35
ELINOR MARGUERITE STONE	Vernon No. 35
WILLIAM BROWN HAMILTON	Naomi No. 36
NELSON STANLEY PECK	Naomi No. 36
RACHEL CHURCH ROSE	Naomi No. 36
PAST PATRON JOHN SAMUEL BEARD	Stella No. 39
PAST PATRON GEORGE DEXTER BUTLER	Stella No. 39

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ILVIA ANN GATES	Stella	No. 39
GEORGE FREDERICK HOUGHTON	Stella	No. 39
CHARLES AMOS LARISON	Stella	No. 39
JOHN PASHBURG	Stella	No. 39
MARTHA BROCKINGTON	Aurora	No. 40
EDWARD LANGDON BAILEY	Redding	No. 44
CLARA ESTELLA LEDGERWOOD	Redding	No. 44
SARAH JANE NEWCOMBE	Redding	No. 44
SAMUEL JOHN ROSEVEAR	Redding	No. 44
VERNA SOHL	Redding	No. 44
MARY JANE HODGES	Athena	No. 46
JOSEPHINE THURMAN MONTGOMERY	Athena	No. 46
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DIANTHA WAGNER	Athena	No. 46
JOSEPH JOHNSTON CONNER	Reveille	No. 47
PETER JOHN LYNCH	Reveille	No. 47
KATIE SCOTT CONFER	Homo	No. 50
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JENNIE BELLE SMITH	Homo	No. 50
ELISHA PARKER GRUBBS	Alturas	No. 51
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JOSEPHINE ROSE HEDDON	Fidelia	No. 56
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PAST MATRON MARY CLEMENTS TAYLOR.....	Kingsley	No. 58
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SIMON BAKER RELYEA	Yolo No. 60
MAGGIE JEWETT CHOPE	Camellia No. 63
ALBERT DEFOREST HETFIELD	Camellia No. 63
JAMES ROBERT BISHOP	Unity No. 65
SYDNEY HERBERT FARRELL	Unity No. 65
CARRIE MARQUARDT	Unity No. 65
BERTHA NADER	Friendship No. 67
WILLIAM SCOBLE	Ocean Spray No. 68
MARTHA ANN SPENCER	Electa No. 72
GEORGE WASHINGTON PARKER	Electa No. 72
PAST PATRON GUSTAVUS HARWOOD.....	Silver Wave No. 75
EMMA FREWERT	Silver Wave No. 75
PAST MATRON ELLA STONE	Rohnerville No. 76
SMITH PEABODY CORNING	Rohnerville No. 76
AMOS HANSELL	Rohnerville No. 76
ANNA MASSON	Rohnerville No. 76
ELIZABETH WRIGHT	Rohnerville No. 76
PAST PATRON HIRAM ASHLEY MESSENGER.....	Azalia No. 77
JOHN KENNEDY HARRINGTON	Marguerite No. 78
LOUISE JACKSON MAIERS	Marguerite No. 78
MARY ELIZABETH EAGER	Ventura No. 79
ELEANOR McCASKY	Ventura No. 79
WILLIAM TENNY RICHARDSON	Ventura No. 79
IRENE BUTTERFIELD ERICKSON	Sotoyome No. 82
CHARLES WESLEY MATTHEWS.....	Sotoyome No. 82
PAST MATRON PENELOPE E. COOKE.....	Veritas No. 84
PAST MATRON ELIZABETH BURRIS..	Valley of the Moon No. 85
PAST PATRON PETER NICHOLAS STOFEN	Valley of the Moon No. 85
MARCUS LAFAYETTE BARHAM	Marshall No. 86
MAGGIE MOCK ROBISON	Marshall No. 86

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SAMUEL HARRIS BOND	Mountain View No. 88
MARY TYLER	Mountain View No. 88
PAST MATRON ANNIE ELIZA HUGHES.....	Raisina No. 89
LEONA CHAPPELL	Raisina No. 89
LOUIS MILLER NILSON	Raisina No. 89
LOUISE WICKSTROM	Raisina No. 89
WORTHY PATRON VINCENT JAMES CAMPINI.....	Fallen Leaf No. 90
MARY HELEN MILLER	Fallen Leaf No. 90
NELLIE PRICHARD	Fallen Leaf No. 90
MARY CALIFORNIA WILSON	Fallen Leaf No. 90
CHARLES TAINTER BADGER	Madera No. 92
ELIZABETH PAULINE PAULSON	Heliotrope No. 93
THOMAS CALVIN CAROTHERS	Tulare No. 94
MAUD M. WILSON	Tulare No. 94
ALICE DUNCAN BARROWS	Southern Star No. 96
WILLIAM JUSTIN DAVIS	Southern Star No. 96
ALONSON GILLESPIE MILLSPAUGH.....	Southern Star No. 96
ALONSON ORECUS MOORE	Southern Star No. 96
LUCINDA JANE MYGATT	Southern Star No. 96
AMELIA RUSH	Southern Star No. 96
MARY WRIGHT	Ramona No. 97
PAST PATRON HENRY CARL BIRBE	Beulah No. 99
COLIN FOSTER	Beulah No. 99
CHARLES BENSON	Beulah No. 99
ESTHER EARL	Mizpah No. 100
PAST MATRON GEORGIE ETTA VADNEY.....	Josephine No. 104
WILLIAM EDWARD LARAMORE	Josephine No. 104
MATHEW HALE LATHROP	Josephine No. 104
WILLIAM MONTGOMERY MARVIN	Josephine No. 104
KATE MALINDA SHILLING	Josephine No. 104
ELIZA ANN ANDREW	Hermosa No. 105
LUCINDA CAROLINE FAUST	Hermosa No. 105

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JUNIE HORTON	Hermosa No. 105
LAVINCIA LANGLEY	Hermosa No. 105
PAST PATRON WALTER MAXWELL SCOTT	Hermosa No. 105
CECIL CLAYTON TRICKEY	Hermosa No. 105
EDWARD TRUDO	Hermosa No. 105
WILLIAM LEWIS TUBBS	Hermosa No. 105
PAST PATRON STEPHEN BALLOU	Corona No. 107
ELLEN FAIRMAN	Pasadena No. 108
THOMAS FAIRMAN	Pasadena No. 108
WILLIAM EDWARD HIBBARD	Pasadena No. 108
ALLEN JAMES HUBBARD	Pasadena No. 108
ANTHONY RITENHOUR PIERCE	Pasadena No. 108
SARAH MARIA ROOT	Pasadena No. 108
NELLIE WOOSTER	Pasadena No. 108
EMMA H. KILBOURN	Elk Grove No. 109
PAST PATRON JOSEPH RELTON GARTHSIDE	Pomona No. 110
SARAH ELIZABETH COWLES	Pomona No. 110
CLARA L. JAQUETTE	Pomona No. 110
WILLIAM METZGER MEEKER	Pomona No. 110
PAST PATRON FRED HINES	Hesperian No. 112
WRIGHT PATRICK HALL	Hesperian No. 112
DAVID KNOCH	Hesperian No. 112
FANNIE KNOCH	Hesperian No. 112
JOSEPH BILLINGS WILLIAMS	Hesperian No. 112
JOHN HENRY NOBMANN	Carita No. 115
WORTHY MATRON MARY LUCRETIA MORRILL	Truckee No. 116
WILLIAM HENRY HILL	Truckee No. 116
NORMA LOUISE GILLESPIE	Truckee No. 116
MABEL LEIMBACH MORRIS	Columbus No. 117
LOUISE FRANCES SPAULDING	Columbus No. 117
PAST MATRON ETTA LENA HEMPHILL	Woodbridge No. 118
HENRY BECKMAN	Woodbridge No. 118

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Entered into Rest.

LEONARD KAHL	Tuolumne Star No. 123
JENNIE AMANDA KEIL	Tuolumne Star No. 123
ALFRED HERCULES RAINVILLE	Tuolumne Star No. 123
NEWTON BOOTH HERNDON	Harmony No. 124
ANNA WALSH	Harmony No. 124
CASWELL LEE CONNOR	Bakersfield No. 125
GRACE GREENWOOD WIBLE	Bakersfield No. 125
PAST MATRON MARY RAGSDALE O'BRIEN	Mercedes No. 126
JENNIE T. LEONARD	Mercedes No. 126
LIZZIE SOPHIA MCCORD	Lucerne No. 127
CORA MALINDA STEWART	Los Gatos No. 128
NELLIE VAN HORN	Fidelity No. 131
GERTRUDE TURNER KINGSLEY	South Gate No. 133
JENNIE T. MELROSE	South Gate No. 133
RUTH OLSEN	South Gate No. 133
MAY PATTERSON	South Gate No. 133
FANNIE WOLF	South Gate No. 133
SAMUEL MCKELVEY	Semper Fidelis No. 135
PAST PATRON OSMA C DREW	Summit No. 138
EDGAR BOLTON LAWRENCE	Summit No. 138
PAST PATRON HENRY KLEHN	Orestimba No. 139
JOHN SCHMIDT	Orestimba No. 139
EMMA JEANNETTE HARDING	Oakland No. 140
LUCY PHELPS LEWIS	Oakland No. 140
SARAH FRANCES RALLS	Copa del Oro No. 142
WALLACE RANDALL	Norwalk No. 143
LUCY POLLY ANN SACKETT	Norwalk No. 143
CRISSIE A. STEPHENS	Lyra No. 144
NELLIE PEARL MATHIAS	Jasmine No. 145
CHARLES SOLLARS	Lodi No. 150
MAGGIE D DUNN	Escondido No. 154
HENRY WELTY	Escondido No. 154

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PAST MATRON ELLEN WILSON	Mission No. 155
MARY ELIZABETH ALLEN	Mission No. 155
HARRIET ANN FAULKNER	Mission No. 155
GEORGE WASHINGTON HABERLEY	Mission No. 155
ALEXANDER LEMON	Mission No. 155
SARAH JANE MCCALL	Mission No. 155
ELSIE MCCOULLIC	Mission No. 155
PAST MATRON RHODA ANN BARTER	Penrhyn No. 159
NATHAN ELMER BISHOP	Onisbo No. 164
SUSAN ADELINE ROBINSON	Esperanza No. 167
HOWARD W CHASE	Los Angeles No. 168
AUGUSTA IDA BURGOWNE	Los Angeles No. 168
BERTHA WEIL	Olive Branch No. 169
ESTHER PEEK MAGUIRE	Olive Branch No. 169
EMMA ISABELLE BOND	King Solomon No. 170
EDLA JOHANNA CARLSEN	King Solomon No. 170
ARMINTA HARRIS	King Solomon No. 170
GEORGE HEINICKE	King Solomon No. 170
PAST MATRON SUSIE ANGELINE VENABLE....	Carnation No. 171
WALTER CARTER	Carnation No. 171
JAMES CLEMINSON	Lexington No. 172
LILLIAN THORNE BOWERMAN	Lexington No. 172
JOHN BOWERS	Long Beach No. 173
WARREN FULTON	Long Beach No. 173
WILLIAM WALLACE LOWE	Long Beach No. 173
IDA MAY RICKELL	Long Beach No. 173
JOHN A. M. KOSTER	Harbor No. 174
MARY LUELLA BLOHM	Berkeley No. 178
FANNIE BROWN	Berkeley No. 178
HENRIETTA MAE ROSE	Berkeley No. 178
PAST MATRON MARTHA ANNETTE SMART.....	Euclid No. 179
SARAH ELIZABETH RANKIN	Euclid No. 179

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Entered into Rest.

AMY JULIA ANDERSON	California No. 183
JAMES CAMPBELL	California No. 183
JOSEPHINE KERCHIAVAL METSON	California No. 183
PAST PATRON SENECA JONES	Crockett No. 184
PAST PATRON JAMES BURROWS TITUS....	Santa Paula No. 185
ALBERT ADAMS CLAPP	Alhambra No. 193
ANNIE TAPHENAS DEVENDORF	Alhambra No. 193
VAN RANSALIER LIDDELL	Alhambra No. 193
JOHN WILHELM MEYER	Hilda No. 194
PAST MATRON CHARLOTTE ELIZABETH MARAIS	
.....	San Francisco No. 196
WILLIAM LYLE MOFFITT	Beckwith Star No. 201
ABNER ALFRED DAVIS	La Paloma No. 202
ANN ELIZABETH SQUIRES	Sequoia No. 203
WORTHY MATRON HATTIE GRANGER HUNT..	Starr King No. 204
MINNIE COHEN	Starr King No. 204
CLARA MEYER LANSBERG	Starr King No. 204
RHODA BELL DELPH	Miramar No. 205
EDNA FRASER HEJMANN	Aloha No. 206
WILLIAM LUCIEN BLYTHE	Arcata No. 207
MARY HUNTLEY FISHER	Hollywood No. 209
ANNA MASTERBROECK WHIPPLE	Hollywood No. 209
MARY ELIZABETH BEST	Palestine No. 210
LILLIAN MARTHA OWEN	Palestine No. 210
ELIZA SHELLE	Palestine No. 210
MEYER SALOMON	Colton No. 211
HARRIET HELEN ABBOTT	Palo Alto No. 213
MYRON WARD HALL	Almona No. 214
MARTHA CLEMENTINE GINACA	Loyalty No. 217
MUSCOE ST. CLAIR GARNETT	Golden Rod No. 221
WILLIAM WHEELER HALL	Oakdale No. 226
JOHN BENJAMIN KAUFMAN	Oakdale No. 226

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ALICE CHISNELL BOURNE	Monrovia No. 227
HENRY BORRADALLE COLLIER	Yerba Buena No. 228
ANNA HELEN FREYERMUTH	Yerba Buena No. 228
EVA KING	Sapphire No. 230
JOSEPHINE LORD	Sapphire No. 230
MORRIS LEVY	Lower Lake No. 231
MARGARET ELIZABETH CARTER	Bonner No. 232
ORRELA DOWDIN	Natoma No. 233
SIDNEY CRILLEY	Los Ceritos No. 234
TESSA BULLIS STINE	Glen Eyrie No. 237
OTTO BISMARCK ROMER	Jewel No. 238
ELIZABETH KAY	Monterey No. 239
HORACE KIMBALL WHITNEY	La Victoria No. 241
ELIZA STEVENS ROTH	Columbia No. 247
JENNIE JEROME DILLIN	Acantha No. 249
PAST PATRON ARTHUR BYRON SANBORN	Ideal No. 251
BLANCHE MARIE ROSSI	Ideal No. 251
OTHA LONZO STANDLEY	Casimir No. 252
MARY ANN MCBRIAR	Reedley No. 257
RANDOLPH WOODRUFF HOWELL	Oriental No. 258
LEWIS MILTON GILMAN	Gardenia No. 260
MELLIE PETERS DEFOREST	Highland Park No. 263
HERMAN CHARLES MERTENS	Highland Park No. 263
NOAH TWIDNEY PIPER, JR.	Highland Park No. 263
EBEN S. NICHOLS	San Diego No. 264
ANNIE CURTIS SLATTER	West Lake No. 268
MATILDA ANGELINE LONG	Parnassus No. 269
ISOBEL ARNOT VICKERS	Eschscholtzia No. 270
ALVA GEORGE RICHISON	Santa Cruz No. 273
WILLARD GUTCHES	Athens No. 277
ADA EVELYN LEE	Rising Light No. 286
EMMA PUMP	Elvesta No. 293
MINNIE SINCLAIR	Sierra Madre U. D.

CONSTITUTION AS AMENDED AT GRAND CHAPTER,

OCTOBER, 1911.

ARTICLE I.

STYLE AND TITLE.

Section 1. The Grand Chapter shall be known by the name and style of the Grand Chapter of the State of California of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Silver Gate.....	30	86	8	3	2	96	5	1	6	5	91	\$27.75	\$13.65
San Jose.....	31	399	34	6	1	439	8	1	6	15	424	126.00	63.60
* Myrtle.....	32	261	12	1	1	274	6	5	6	17	257	70.75	38.55
Rose Valley.....	33	124	6	5	1	136	3	3	3	6	139	38.00	19.50
* Opal.....	34	277	21	13	1	311	8	1	3	11	300	92.00	45.00
Vernon.....	35	155	3	1	1	158	4	4	6	10	148	38.50	22.20
Naomi.....	36	149	5	1	3	155	3	3	1	4	151	40.75	22.65
* Adiah.....	37	90	11	3	2	106	6	6	1	6	100	32.00	15.00
* Pacific.....	38	136	4	4	1	140	3	5	1	8	132	33.00	19.80
Stella.....	39	202	4	2	1	208	8	3	5	16	192	51.00	28.80
Aurora.....	40	32	2	2	1	34	2	2	1	2	32	9.00	4.80
Lily of the Lake.....	41	156	8	2	1	166	5	5	1	2	157	44.25	23.55
* Ariel.....	42	175	9	2	2	186	2	2	2	6	180	50.50	27.00
* Woodbine.....	43	81	2	2	1	83	1	6	1	1	82	21.50	12.30
Redding.....	44	79	1	2	1	82	6	6	1	6	76	20.50	11.40
Ceanothus.....	45	270	19	3	1	293	4	1	4	9	284	82.00	42.60
Athena.....	46	66	4	1	1	71	1	1	1	3	68	19.50	10.20
Reveille.....	47	40	1	1	1	42	2	2	1	2	40	11.00	6.00
Wheatland.....	48	178	14	7	1	199	4	1	2	7	192	58.50	28.80
Placer.....	49	217	9	4	1	226	10	8	1	19	207	56.25	31.05
Homo.....	50	156	8	4	1	132	1	1	1	3	129	38.25	19.35
Alturas.....	51	105	14	3	1	173	3	3	4	7	166	50.00	24.90
Quincy.....	52	217	17	3	1	116	5	1	3	9	107	32.25	16.05
Sincerity.....	53	119	11	4	1	237	11	8	2	21	216	64.00	32.40
Ophir.....	54	55	25	4	1	134	11	5	1	16	118	37.00	17.70
Marysville.....	55	272	25	1	1	55	11	9	2	22	276	13.75	8.25
Fidella.....	56	334	13	2	2	298	10	7	3	20	331	81.50	41.40
Crystal.....	57	95	2	1	2	351	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Kingsley.....	58	67	1	1	1	98	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Silver Spray.....	59	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Yolo.....	60	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Morning Star.....	61	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Mountain Fern.....	62	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
* Camellia.....	63	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
* Occidental.....	64	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Unity.....	65	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Golden Star.....	66	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Friendship.....	67	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Ocean Spray.....	68	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
* Manzanita.....	69	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
† Brilliant Star.....	70	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Queen Esther.....	71	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Electa.....	72	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65
Magnolia.....	73	111	5	4	1	68	10	7	3	20	331	90.25	49.65

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NAME	NO.	LOCATION	No. of Mem- bers July 31, 1910	GAINED during the year ending July 31, 1911				Lost during the year ending July 31, 1911					No. of Mem- bers July 31, 1911	Amount due for Grand Chapter Dues 1911	Amount due for Repre- sentative Fund 1911		
				Initiated	Affiliated	Errors in Reports.....	Reinstated.....	Total.	Dimitted	Suspended.....	Errors in Reports.....	Expelled				Deceased.....	Total
Ether.....	74	Adin.....	56	5		2		63	2				2	61	\$17.75	\$ 9.15	
Rohnerville.....	75	San Bernardino.....	101	10	4			115	11				13	102	32.50	15.30	
Robnerville.....	76	Robnerville.....	107	7				114		2			5	7	107	30.25	16.05
Adalia.....	77	San Andreas.....	62	3	1			66		9			1	10	56	16.00	8.40
Marguerite.....	78	Santa Barbara.....	180	27	9			196	5	8			2	15	181	63.25	27.15
Ventura.....	79	Ventura.....	156	16	2			174	3	4			3	10	164	50.00	24.60
* Augusta.....	80	Covelo.....	56	1	2			59	6				6	53	14.75	7.95	
* Flower Valley.....	81	Cotoma.....															
Sycamore.....	82	Headsburg.....	114	22	1		2	139	4	1			2	7	132	44.50	19.80
Volino.....	83	Tehama.....	56	4				60	3	7				10	50	14.50	7.50
Veritas.....	84	Colusa.....	103	2	5			110	5				1	6	104	29.50	15.60
Valley of the Moon.....	85	Sonoma.....	103	2			1	106	2	6			2	10	96	25.00	14.40
* Marshall.....	86	Willows.....	147	10	2			159					2	2	157	45.25	23.55
* Laurel.....	87	St. Helena.....															
Mountain View.....	88	Janesville.....	56	6				62					2	2	60	18.00	9.00
Rusina.....	89	Fresno.....	225	22	2		3	252	46	1			4	51	201	62.25	30.15
Fallen Leaf.....	90	Pacerville.....	142	9				151	3	9			4	16	135	38.25	20.25
* Fall River.....	91	Bugetville.....															
Madera.....	92	Madera.....	82	7				89	2				1	3	86	25.00	12.90
Heliotrope.....	93	Salina.....	116	18	3			137	3	4			1	8	129	42.75	19.35
Tulare.....	94	Tulare.....	131	12				143	6	1			2	9	134	39.50	20.10
Bethlehem.....	95	Paso Robles.....	53	4				57	2	5			6	15	50	14.50	7.50
Southern Star.....	96	San Diego.....	278	24	14			316	9				6	301	94.25	45.15	
* Ramona.....	97	Arroyo Grande.....	63	6	2			71					1	1	70	21.50	10.50
* Yosemite.....	98	Oakdale.....															
Beulah.....	99	San Francisco So.	108	16	1			124	5	10			3	18	166	49.50	24.90
Mirpah.....	100	Santa Maria.....	137	9				147	3				1	4	143	40.75	21.45

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NAME	NO.	LOCATION	No. of Mem- bers July 31, 1910	GAINED during the year ending July 31, 1911				LOST during the year ending July 31, 1911					No. of Mem- bers July 31, 1911	Amount due for Grand Chapter Dues July 31, 1911	Amount due for Repre- sentative Fund July 31, 1911		
				Initiated.....	Affiliated.....	Errors in Reports.....	Reinstated.....	Total	Dimitted.....	Suspended.....	Errors in Reports.....	Expelled.....				Deceased.....	Total
Jasmine.....	145	Azusa.....	105	8				113	1	2			1	2	111	\$16.65	
Delano.....	146	Delano.....	57	4	2			63	1	1				3	60	18.00	
Pearl.....	147	Compton.....	83					83	1	4		1		6	77	19.25	
Martha of Nevada.....	148	Wadsworth, Nev.....															
Del Norte.....	149	Crescent City.....	98	2			2	102	3					3	99	14.85	
Lodi.....	150	Lodi.....	121	20	2			143	3				1	4	139	20.85	
Chispa.....	151	Anaheim.....	70	5	2		1	78	8	5				13	65	9.75	
Silver State of Nev.....	152	Winnemucca, Nev.....															
Mt. Shasta.....	153	Anderson.....	47	2	1			50						50	14.00	7.50	
Escondido.....	154	Escondido.....	75	8				88	3				2	5	83	12.45	
Mission.....	155	San Francisco.....	615	15	9			639	31	6			7	44	595	89.25	
Argenta, of Nevada.....	156	San Francisco.....															
King Solomon.....	157	San Francisco.....															
Galt.....	158	Galt.....															
Penryn.....	159	Penryn.....	69	6				75	1	2			1	2	73	21.25	
Occident.....	160	Downey.....	73	6	1			81	1	7				9	72	21.50	
Gold Ridge.....	161	Sebastopol.....	109	13	4		1	126	2	1				3	123	39.25	
Crown.....	162	Corona.....	104	5				109	7					7	102	28.00	
Scepter.....	163	Orange.....	98	7	4			109	5	6				11	98	15.30	
Ousbo.....	164	Courland.....	71	6	1			78					1	1	77	14.70	
Crescent.....	165	Murphys.....	61	2				63	1	2				3	63	22.75	
Epigenia, of Nev.....	166	Eureka, Nevada.....														9.00	
Esperanza.....	167	Los Angeles.....	233	12	6		1	242	13	7			1	21	231	66.75	
Los Angeles.....	168	Los Angeles.....	279	28	11		1	319	17	15			2	34	285	90.75	
Olive Branch.....	169	San Francisco.....	131	27				158	14	6			2	22	136	47.50	
King Solomon.....	170	San Francisco.....	167	8	1		1	177	13	4			4	21	156	43.50	
Carnation.....	171	Redondo.....	84	12	2		1	99					2	4	95	30.75	
Lexington.....	172	El Monte.....	79	7	2			88		1			2	3	85	25.75	
Long Beach.....	173	Long Beach.....	251	33	19		1	304	6				4	10	294	99.50	

174	Harbor.....	San Pedro.....	101	3	7	1	112	5	4	1	10	102	\$30.50	\$15.30
175	Sisson.....	Sisson.....	77	7	1	85	127	3	1	1	84	25.00	12.60	
176	Miraflo.....	Compo.....	120	5	2	127	110	4	1	3	124	34.50	18.60	
177	Oakville.....	Benterville.....	109	1	12	110	333	23	3	26	106	27.00	15.90	
178	Berkeley.....	Berkeley.....	313	10	1	333	119	4	2	6	307	86.25	46.05	
179	Enfield.....	Oakville.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
180	Golden State.....	Arden.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
181	Heber.....	Arden.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
182	Valley Home.....	Winters.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
183	California.....	San Francisco.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
184	Crockett.....	Crockett.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
185	San Paula.....	San Paula.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
186	San Marino.....	San Marino.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
187	Eagle.....	Escondido.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
188	Escondido.....	Escondido.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
189	Teachapi.....	Teachapi.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
190	Calistoga.....	Calistoga.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
191	Sacramento.....	Sacramento.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
192	Fullerton.....	Fullerton.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
193	Pacific.....	Los Angeles.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
194	Alhambra.....	Alhambra.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
195	Hilma.....	Mokelum Hill.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
196	San Clara.....	San Clara.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
197	San Francisco.....	San Francisco.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
198	Mt. Whitney.....	Bishop.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
199	Maipha.....	Brentwood.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
200	Los Mariposus.....	Davisville.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
201	Beckwith Star.....	Mariposa.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
202	La Paloma.....	Beckwith.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
203	Sequoia.....	Covina.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
204	Star King.....	Redwood City.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
205	Miramar.....	Pt. Richmond.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
206	Aloha.....	San Francisco.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
207	Arenas.....	Arenas.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
208	Citrus.....	Oland.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
209	Hollywood.....	Hollywood.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
210	Palestine.....	Los Angeles.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
211	Colton.....	Colton.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
212	Gate City.....	San Bernardino.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
213	Palo Alto.....	Palo Alto.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
214	Almona.....	Almona.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
215	San Rafael.....	San Rafael.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
216	Sunset.....	San Rafael.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
217	Loyalty.....	Los Angeles.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
218	Yosolano.....	Yosolano.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	
219	Mill Valley.....	Mill Valley.....	107	2	2	119	119	4	4	1	113	86.25	46.05	

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NAME	NO.	LOCATION	No. of Mem- bers July 31, 1910	GAINED during the year ending July 31, 1911					LOST during the year ending July 31, 1911					No. of Mem- bers July 31, 1911	Amount due for Grand Chapter Dues. 1911	Amount due for Repre- sentative Fund 1911
				Initiated	Affiliated.	Errors in Reports.....	Reinstated	Total	Dimitted	Suspended.....	Errors in Reports.....	Expelled.....	Deceased			
Pinole.....	220	Pinole.....	46	8				54	5	3			8	46	\$15.50	\$ 6.90
Dixon.....	221	Golden Rod.....	67	11	2			80	3	1	1		1	79	26.25	11.85
Rio Vista.....	222	Rio Vista.....	64	7	2			73						69	21.75	10.35
Loyal.....	223	Williams.....	53					53						51	12.75	7.65
Celandine.....	224	Loyalton.....	69					69	7	3				59	14.75	8.85
East Gate.....	225	Los Angeles.....	150	22	15			187	1					186	65.00	27.90
Oakdale.....	226	Oakdale.....	53	5	4	3		65		2				61	19.75	9.15
Monrovia.....	227	Monrovia.....	87	15	4			106	2		2			103	35.25	15.45
Yerba Buena.....	228	San Francisco.....	141	8	1			149	9	1	2			137	38.25	20.55
Imperial.....	229	San Francisco.....	82	3				91	14	2				75	23.25	11.23
Sapphire.....	230	Fort Bragg.....	93	3				96	2	4				77	20.75	11.55
Lower Lake.....	231	Lower Lake.....	35	1				36			2			35	9.25	5.25
Bonner.....	232	Cedarville.....	36					36			1			35	8.75	5.25
Natoma.....	233	Folsom.....	68	4	4			70			1			69	19.25	10.35
Los Ceritos.....	234	Martinez.....	58	6	4			68			1			67	21.75	10.05
Keystone.....	235	Napa.....	102	11	8			121	1					120	39.50	18.00
*San Pedro.....	236	San Pedro.....														
Glen Eyrie.....	237	Glendale.....	64	12	3			79	3		1			75	26.25	11.25
Jewel.....	238	San Francisco.....	70	9	3			82	5	2			4	74	24.50	11.10
Monterey.....	239	Monterey.....	73	4	2			78	4	2	1		7	72	21.00	10.80
Buena Park.....	240	Buena Park.....	35		3			38		1			1	37	10.75	5.55
La Victoria.....	241	San Jacinto.....	104	5	3			112	1				2	110	31.50	16.50
Needles.....	242	Needles.....	57	9	1			67	4	2			6	61	20.25	9.15
Elsmore.....	243	Elsmore.....	46	2	1			49	6		1		7	42	12.00	6.30
Milton.....	244	Milton.....	22	4				26						25	8.50	3.90
Ocean Park.....	245	Ocean Park.....	76	20	7	1		103	1	8	1		10	93	36.75	13.95
Plumas.....	246	Quincy.....	48	7	1			56						56	18.00	8.40
Columbia.....	247	Sawtelle.....	88	13	4			105	6	1			8	97	32.75	14.55
Hollenbeck.....	248	Los Angeles.....	160	22	8			190	9	2			10	80	60.00	27.00

Acantha.....	249	Richmond.....	73	5	7	85	11	2	1	1	84	\$27.00	\$12.60
Sunnyvale.....	250	Sunnyvale.....	45	1	84	46	3	4	13	33	33	8.75	4.95
Ideal.....	251	San Francisco.....	69	12	86	107	3	1	2	75	75	25.75	11.25
Casimir.....	252	Ukiah.....	98	5	1	39	3	1	1	106	106	31.00	15.90
Artesia.....	253	Artesia.....	34	9	39	35	3	1	1	35	35	12.25	5.85
North East.....	254	Rt. Bidwell.....	31	3	105	105	3	1	3	102	102	10.75	5.25
Richmond.....	255	San Francisco.....	90	13	106	106	39	2	39	67	67	33.00	15.30
Maricopa.....	256	Fruitvale.....	85	18	49	49	39	2	1	45	45	26.75	10.05
Readley.....	257	Readley.....	43	4	168	168	13	4	1	18	150	13.25	6.75
Oriental.....	258	Los Angeles.....	30	3	49	49	49	2	1	4	48	54.00	22.50
Seaside.....	259	Huntington Beach.....	39	10	52	52	2	1	1	4	48	17.25	7.35
Gardena.....	260	Gardena.....	45	5	105	105	4	4	1	4	41	15.50	7.20
Dinuba.....	261	Dinuba.....	41	3	114	114	4	4	1	4	101	12.50	6.00
Amity.....	262	San Francisco.....	85	19	142	142	8	8	3	11	131	35.25	15.15
Higland Park.....	263	Los Angeles.....	114	22	105	105	1	1	1	12	112	46.75	19.65
San Diego.....	264	San Diego.....	87	17	92	92	1	1	1	1	105	41.50	16.80
Daylight.....	265	Los Angeles.....	78	20	95	95	3	1	1	4	88	39.75	15.75
Garvanza.....	266	Imperial.....	81	9	208	208	56	4	1	6	89	27.50	13.20
Golden Rule.....	267	Los Angeles.....	81	13	90	90	9	4	1	6	145	29.25	13.35
West Lake.....	268	San Francisco.....	32	12	82	82	1	1	1	2	80	58.25	21.75
Parasus.....	269	Coalinga.....	79	7	102	102	2	2	1	2	80	25.50	12.00
Eschscholtzia.....	270	South Pasadena.....	51	26	42	42	2	2	1	2	40	35.50	12.00
Monte Vista.....	271	San Cruz.....	36	6	83	83	2	2	1	2	40	13.00	6.00
South Pasadena.....	272	St. Helena.....	65	12	50	50	2	2	1	1	101	30.75	12.45
San Cruz.....	273	Burlingame.....	89	0	100	100	8	8	1	1	83	31.75	15.15
St. Helena.....	274	El Centro.....	47	2	148	148	5	1	1	7	94	31.50	7.20
Burlingame.....	275	Oakland.....	84	16	81	81	3	2	1	10	92	31.00	13.80
Signal.....	276	Vallejo.....	57	19	104	104	2	2	1	5	79	31.75	11.85
Atlanta.....	277	Corning.....	222	5	47	47	5	5	1	5	141	48.25	21.15
Vallejo.....	278	Los Angeles.....	90	12	86	86	2	2	1	10	94	30.50	14.10
Mystic Star.....	279	San Francisco.....	42	3	99	99	3	3	1	5	47	14.25	7.05
Armo.....	280	King City.....	57	23	36	36	1	1	1	1	81	34.50	12.15
Pleades.....	281	San Francisco.....	79	17	88	88	5	5	1	1	98	34.50	14.70
La Posa.....	282	San Francisco.....	79	17	71	71	9	3	1	1	36	11.50	5.40
La Posa.....	283	San Francisco.....	40	10	31	31	1	1	1	1	50	18.00	7.50
Albert Pike.....	284	San Francisco.....	60	8	38	38	3	3	1	1	59	20.25	8.85
Garvin.....	285	Kingsburg.....	27	3	71	71	5	5	1	1	59	7.50	3.60
Rising Light.....	286	Huntington Park.....	37	5	30	30	5	1	1	16	24	14.75	6.45
Consettia.....	287	Oceanside.....	31	3	43	43	1	1	1	2	43	10.00	5.10
Fraternity.....	288	San Jose.....	93	32	133	133	3	3	1	1	133	53.25	19.95
Alamo.....	289	Brawley.....	39	9	48	48	3	3	1	3	48	16.50	7.20
West Gate.....	290	Berkeley.....	50	35	102	102	3	3	1	3	99	50.75	14.85
Point Arena.....	291	Point Arena.....	25	12	38	38	1	1	1	2	36	15.50	5.40
Rose.....	292	Roseville.....	27	20	49	49	1	1	1	1	48	23.00	7.20

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				Initiated	Affiliated	Errors in Reports.....	Reinstated	Total	Dimitted	Suspended ...	Errors in Reports.....	Expelled	Deceased			
Elvesta.....	283	Oakland.....	67	13				80					1	1	\$52.75	\$11.85
Pleasanton.....	284	Pleasanton.....	35	2				37							20.75	5.55
Fresno.....	285	Fresno.....	36	3				42							24.50	6.30
Winters.....	286	Furlock.....	38	8				41							23.75	6.15
Fruitvale.....	U.D.	Fruitvale.....	28	28				36							20.00	5.40
Haydon.....	U.D.	Los Angeles.....	19	48				67							43.25	10.05
Sierra Madre.....	U.D.	Sierra Madre.....	26	3				29					1		14.50	4.20
La Mesa.....	U.D.	La Mesa.....	19	21				40							18.00	6.00
Ada.....	U.D.	Sacramento.....	28	13				39							17.37	5.85
Miriam.....	U.D.	Ferris.....	28	13				41							18.62	6.15
Golden Chain.....	U.D.	Oakland.....	23	16				32							13.00	4.80
Bethany.....	U.D.	Goffax.....	23	7				30							11.75	4.50
Ruth.....	U.D.	So. San Francisco.....	15	12				27							9.88	4.05
Lindsay.....	U.D.	Lindsay.....	6	9				15							2.38	2.25
Total.....		Total.....	30,109,2881	937	10	69	34,087,1240	535	15	3	319	2,112	31,975	\$9776.75	\$4796.25	

NOTE.—The Chapters in this list marked * have surrendered their Charters; those marked † have had their Charters revoked; those marked ‡ have had their Charters recalled; those marked § have withdrawn from our Jurisdiction and are now under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Nevada.

KATE J. WILLATS, Grand Secretary.

RECAPITULATION.

Membership July 31, 1910	30,190
Gained by Degrees	2,881
Affiliation	937
Reinstatement	69
Errors Report 1910	10 3,897
Lost by Dimit	1,240
Suspension	535
Death	319
Expulsion	3
Errors in Report 1910	15 2,112
Net gain	1,785
Membership July 31, 1911	31,975
Number of chartered Chapters	257
Number of Chapters under Dispensation	10
Total number of Chapters July 31, 1911	267

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF CHAPTERS

Chapter.	No.	Post Office.	County.
Acacia	21	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Acantha	249	Point Richmond	Contra Costa.
Ada	301	Sacramento	Sacramento.
Alamo	288	Brawley	Imperial.
Albert Pike	284	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Alhambra	193	Alhambra	Los Angeles.
Almona	214	Walnut Creek	Contra Costa.
Aloha	206	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Alturas	51	Alturas	Modoc.
Amapola	119	Oroville	Butte.
Amity	262	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Amo	280	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Angels	134	Angels Camp	Calaveras.
Arcata	207	Arcata	Humboldt.
Ariel	42	Antioch	Contra Costa.
Artesia	253	Artesia	Los Angeles.
Athena	46	Hollister	San Benito.
Athens	277	Oakland	Alameda.
Augusta	80	Covelo	Mendocino.
Aurora	40	Grass Valley	Nevada.
Azalia	77	San Andreas	Calaveras.
Bakersfield	125	Bakersfield	Kern.
Beckwith Star	201	Beckwith	Plumas.
Berkeley	178	Berkeley	Alameda.
Burlingame	275	Burlingame	San Mateo.
Bethany	304	Colfax	Placer.
Bethlehem	95	Paso Robles	San Luis Obispo.
Beulah	99	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Bonner	232	Cedarville	Modoc.
Buena Park	240	Buena Park	Orange.
California	183	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Calistoga	189	Calistoga	Napa.
Casimir	252	Ukiah	Mendocino.
Camellia	63	Eureka	Humboldt.
Carita	115	Alameda	Alameda.
Carnation	171	Redondo	Los Angeles.
Ceanothus	45	San Juan Bautista.....	San Benito.

Chapter.	No.	Post Office.	County.
Celandine	224	Loyalton	Sierra.
Centincla	136	Los Banos	Merced.
Chispa	151	Anaheim	Orange.
Citrus	208	Orland	Glenn.
Clear Lake	137	Lakeport	Lake.
Clover Leaf	130	Cloverdale	Sonoma.
Colton	211	Colton	San Bernardino.
Columbia	247	Sawtelle	Los Angeles.
Columbus	117	Sacramento	Sacramento.
Copa del Oro	142	Redlands	San Bernardino.
Corona	107	San Luis Obispo.....	San Luis Obispo.
Crescent	165	Murphys	Calaveras.
Crockett	184	Crockett	Contra Costa.
Crown	162	Corona	Riverside.
Crystal	57	Auburn	Placer.
Daylight	265	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Delano	146	Delano	Kern.
Del Norte	149	Crescent City	Del Norte.
Dinuba	261	Dinuba	Tulare.
East Gate	225	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Eagle	187	Eagleville	Modoc.
Electa	72	Modesto	Stanislaus.
Elk Grove	109	Elk Grove	Sacramento.
Elsinore	243	Elsinore	Riverside.
Elvesta	293	Oakland	Alameda.
Eschscholtzia	270	Coalinga	Fresno.
Esecondido	154	Esecondido	San Diego.
Esperanza	167	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Esther	74	Adin	Modoc.
Euclid	179	Ontario	San Bernardino.
Evangeline	9	Nevada City	Nevada.
Evening Star	10	Etna Mills	Siskiyou.
Fallen Leaf	90	Placerville	El Dorado.
Ferndale	23	Ferndale	Humboldt.
Fidelia	56	Yuba City	Sutter.
Fidelity	131	Dunsmuir	Siskiyou.
Fraternity	288	San Jose	Santa Clara.
Fresno	295	Fresno	Fresno.
Friendship	67	Lincoln	Placer.
Fruitvale	297	Oakland	Alameda.
Fullerton	191	Fullerton	Orange.

Chapter.	No.	Post Office.	County.
Gardena	260	Gardena	Los Angeles.
Garvanza	266	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Garvin	285	Randsburg	Kern.
Gate City	212	San Bernardino	San Bernardino.
Glen Eyrie	237	Glendale	Los Angeles.
Gold Ridge	161	Sebastopol	Sonoma.
Golden Chain	303	Oakland	Alameda.
Golden Gate	1	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Golden Rod	221	Dixon	Solano.
Golden Rule	267	Imperial	Imperial.
Golden Star	66	Jackson	Amador.
Golden Wave	103	San Leandro	Alameda.
Haleyon	298	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Harbor	174	San Pedro	Los Angeles.
Harmony	124	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Heber	181	Rocklin	Placer.
Heliotrope	93	Selma	Fresno.
Hermosa	105	Santa Ana	Orange.
Hesperian	112	Susanville	Lassen.
Highland Park	263	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Hilda	194	Mokelumne Hill	Calaveras.
Hollenbeck	248	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Hollywood	209	Hollywood	Los Angeles.
Homo	50	Stockton	San Joaquin.
Ideal	251	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Idlewild	19	Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz.
Imperial	229	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Ione	283	Ione	Amador.
Ionia	199	Davisville	Yolo.
Ivy	27	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Jasmine	145	Azusa	Los Angeles.
Jewel	238	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Josephine	104	Chico	Butte.
Keystone	235	Napa	Napa.
King Solomon's	170	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Kingsley	58	Ukiah	Mendocino.
La Mesa	300	La Mesa	San Diego.
La Paloma	202	Covina	Los Angeles.
La Posa	282	King City	Monterey.
La Victoria	241	San Jacinto	Riverside.
Las Mariposas	200	Mariposa	Mariposa.

Chapter.	No.	Post Office.	County.
Laurel	186	San Mateo	San Mateo.
Lexington	172	El Monte	Los Angeles.
Lily of the Lake.....	41	Lemoore	Kings.
Lily of the Valley.....	18	Watsonville	Santa Cruz.
Lindsay	306	Lindsay	Tulare.
Lodi	150	Lodi	San Joaquin.
Long Beach	173	Long Beach	Los Angeles.
Los Angeles	168	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Los Ceritos	234	Martinez	Contra Costa.
Los Gatos	128	Los Gatos	Santa Clara.
Lower Lake	231	Lower Lake	Lake.
Loyal	223	Williams	Colusa.
Loyalty	217	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Lucerne	127	Hanford	Kings.
Lyra	144	Whittier	Los Angeles.
Madera	92	Madera	Madera.
Magnolia	73	Gilroy	Santa Clara.
Marietta	256	Oakland	Alameda.
Marguerite	78	Santa Barbara	Santa Barbara.
Marshall	86	Willows	Glenn.
Martha Washington ...	13	Visalia	Tulare.
Marysville	55	Marysville	Yuba.
Maspha	198	Brentwood	Contra Costa.
Mercedes	126	Merced	Merced.
Miguelito	176	Lompoc	Santa Barbara.
Mill Valley	219	Mill Valley	Marin.
Milton	244	Milton	Calaveras.
Miramar	205	Pt. Richmond	Contra Costa.
Miramonte	141	Mountain View	Santa Clara.
Miriam	302	Perris	Riverside.
Mission	155	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Mizpah	100	Santa Maria	Santa Barbara.
Molino	83	Tehama	Tehama.
Monrovia	227	Monrovia	Los Angeles.
Monterey	239	Monterey	Monterey.
Monte Vista	271	Orosi	Tulare.
Morning Star	61	Petaluma	Sonoma.
Mountain Fern	62	Georgetown	El Dorado.
Mountain View	88	Janesville	Lassen.
Mt. Shasta	153	Anderson	Shasta.
Mt. Whitney	197	Bishop	Inyo.

Chapter.	No.	Post Office.	County.
Mystic Star	279	Corning	Tehama.
Naomi	36	Sacramento	Sacramento.
Natoma	233	Folsom	Sacramento.
Needles	242	Needles	San Bernardino.
North East	254	Fort Bidwell	Modoc.
Northern Light	26	Millville	Shasta.
Norwalk	143	Norwalk	Los Angeles.
Oakdale	226	Oakdale	Stanislaus.
Oak Leaf	8	Oakland	Alameda.
Oakland	140	Oakland	Alameda.
Occident	160	Downey	Los Angeles.
Ocean Park	245	Ocean Park	Los Angeles.
Ocean Spray	68	Pacific Grove	Monterey.
Ocean View	111	Mendocino	Mendocino.
Olive Branch	169	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Onisbo	164	Courtland	Sacramento.
Orestimba	139	Newman	Stanislaus.
Orient	177	Centerville	Alameda.
Oriental	258	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Pacific	192	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Palestine	210	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Palm Leaf	114	Porterville	Tulare.
Palo Alto	213	Palo Alto	Santa Clara.
Parnassus	269	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Pasadena	108	Pasadena	Los Angeles.
Pearl	147	Compton	Los Angeles.
Pearlryn	159	Penryn	Placer.
Pinole	220	Pinole	Contra Costa.
Placer	49	Dutch Flat	Placer.
Pleasanton	294	Pleasanton	Alameda.
Pleiades	281	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Plumas	246	Quincy	Plumas.
Point Arena	291	Point Arena	Mendocino.
Poinsettia	287	Oceanside	San Diego.
Pomona	110	Pomona	Los Angeles.
Queen Esther	71	Sutter Creek	Amador.
Raisina	89	Fresno	Fresno.
Ramona	97	Arroyo Grande	San Luis Obispo.
Redding	44	Redding	Shasta.
Reedley	257	Reedley	Fresno.
Reveille	47	Salinas	Monterey.

Chapter.	No.	Post Office.	County.
Richmond	255	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Rio Vista	222	Rio Vista	Solano.
Rising Light	286	Huntington Park	Los Angeles.
Rohnerville	76	Rohnerville	Humboldt.
Rose	292	Roseville	Placer.
Ruth	305	South San Francisco	San Mateo.
Rose Valley	33	Santa Rosa	Sonoma.
Sacramento	190	Sacramento	Sacramento.
San Diego	264	San Diego	San Diego.
San Francisco	196	San Francisco	San Francisco.
San Jose	31	San Jose	Santa Clara.
San Rafael	215	San Rafael	Marin.
Santa Clara	195	Santa Clara	Santa Clara.
Santa Cruz	273	Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz.
Santa Monica	113	Santa Monica	Los Angeles.
Santa Paula	185	Santa Paula	Ventura.
Sapphire	230	Ft. Bragg	Mendocino.
Scepter	163	Orange	Orange.
Seaside	259	Huntington Beach	Orange.
Semper Fidelis	135	Livermore	Alameda.
Sequoia	203	Redwood City	San Mateo.
Sierra Madre	299	Sierra Madre	Los Angeles.
Sierra Star	129	Sierraville	Sierra.
Signal	276	El Centro	Imperial.
Silver Gate	30	Benicia	Solano.
Silver Spray	59	Napa	Napa.
Silver Star	3	Vallejo	Solano.
Silver Wave	75	San Bernardino	San Bernardino.
Sincerity	53	Greenville	Plumas.
Sisson	175	Sisson	Siskiyou.
Sotoyome	82	Healdsburg	Sonoma.
South Gate	133	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
South Pasadena	272	South Pasadena	Los Angeles.
Southern Star	96	San Diego	San Diego.
Starr King	204	San Francisco	San Francisco.
Stella	39	Yreka	Siskiyou.
St. John's	14	Weaverville	Trinity.
St. Helena	274	St. Helena	Napa.
Suisun	2	Suisun	Solano.
Summit	138	Knights Ferry	Stanislaus.
Sunnyvale	250	Sunnyvale	Santa Clara.

Chapter.	No.	Post Office.	County.
Sunset	216	Los Angeles	Los Angeles.
Tehachapi	188	Tehachapi	Kern.
Truckee	116	Truckee	Nevada.
Tulare	94	Tulare City	Tulare.
Tuolumne Star	123	Sonora	Tuolumne.
Ungava	106	Riverside	Riverside.
Unity	65	Oakland	Alameda.
Vacaville	28	Vacaville	Solano.
Vallejo	278	Vallejo	Solano.
Valley of the Moon....	85	Sonoma	Sonoma.
Valley Home	182	Windsor	Sonoma.
Ventura	79	Ventura	Ventura.
Veritas	84	Colusa	Colusa.
Vernon	35	Gridley	Butte.
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1886.

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1887.

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1888.

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1890.

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1802.

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GEORGE WASHINGTON STOUT...G. A. P.	*EMMA PERKINS.....G. A. M.
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1803.

ALLEN BOSLEY LEMMON.....G. P.	EMMA HAPGOOD.....G. M.
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1804.

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1805.

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1806.

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1807.

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1808.

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1902.

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1903.

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1905.

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1906.

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1907.

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1908.

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1909.

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1910.

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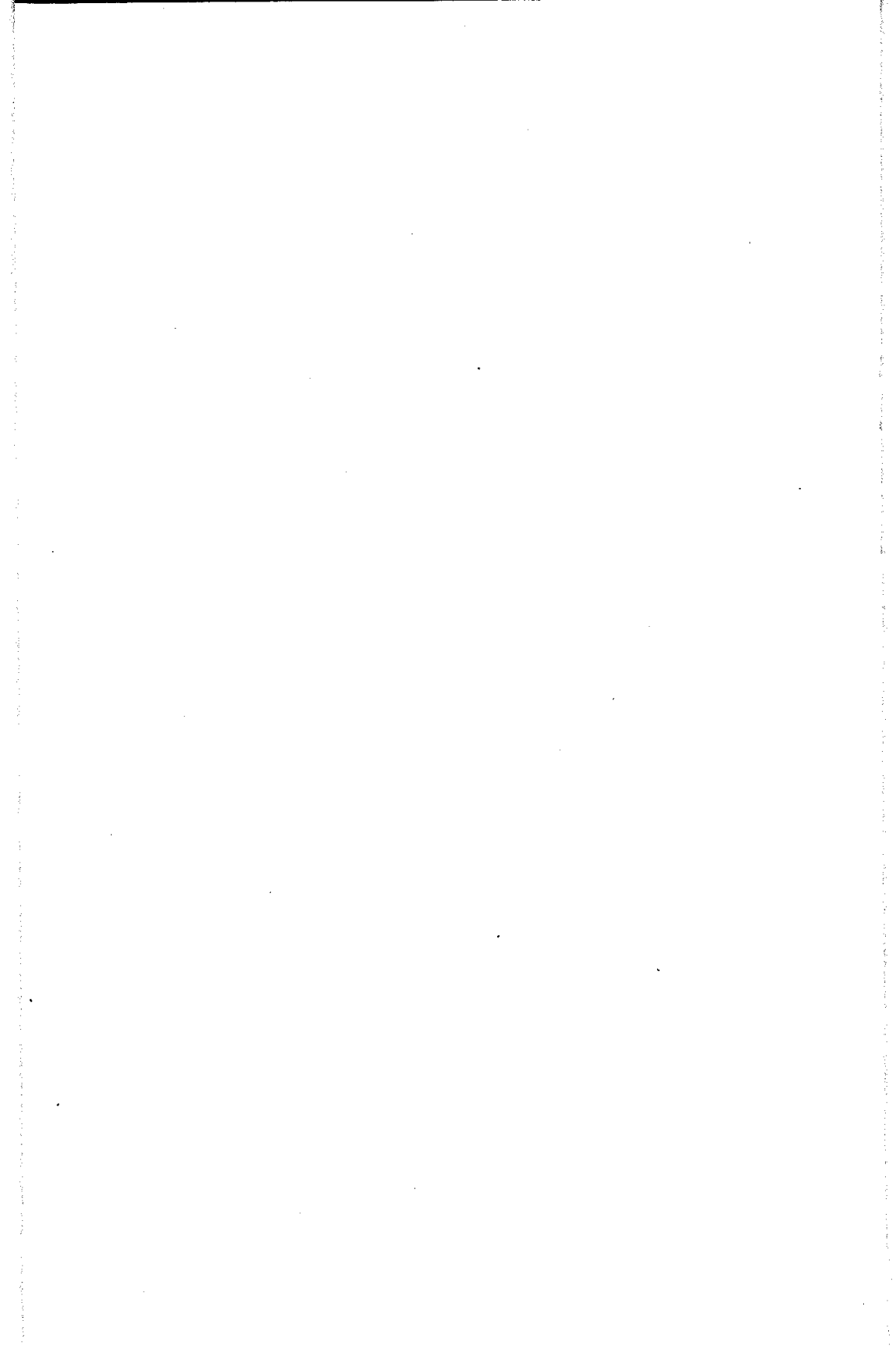
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Pennsylvania ..	Mrs. Paulina W. Dohrmann.	1100 N St., Sacramento	Dec. 1, 1911
Rhode Island..	Mrs. Abbie E. Krebs.....	810 Kohl Bldg., San Francisco..	Jan. 1, 1913
South Dakota..	Mrs. Frances E. Ryder....	Loomis, Placer Co.	 1913
South Carolina	Mrs. Eva M. Porter.....	Salinas, Monterey Co.	Oct. 14, 1913
Tennessee	Mrs. Mary J. Young.....	2510 Etna St., Berkeley	Oct. 6, 1914
Texas	Mrs. Mary E. Partridge....	1416 9th St., Oakland.	Oct. 16, 1912
Utah	Mrs. Belle McCargar	Chico, Butte Co. ...	Dec. 31, 1911
Vermont	Mrs. Sarah I. Hubbard.....	565 4th Ave., San Francisco	June 9, 1914
Virginia	Mrs. Kate S. Craig	Woodland, Yolo Co.	Oct. 15, 1912
Wisconsin	Mrs. Mary E. Seymour....	Mill Valley, Marin Co.	
Wyoming	Mrs. Lulu Lucas.....	2968 Linden Ave., Berkeley	Dec. 31, 1914
West Virginia..	Mrs. Mary E. Gillespie....	Suisun, Solano Co.	Sept. 30, 1912
Washington ...	Mrs. Anna D. Dudderar....	Covina, Los Angeles Co.	July, 1914
Scotland	Mrs. Rosa J. Burns.....	700 W. 43d St., Los Angeles	Dec. 31, 1913

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF CALIFORNIA
NEAR OTHER GRAND CHAPTERS.

GRAND CHAPTERS.	REPRESENTATIVES.	ADDRESS.	COMMISSION EXPIRES.
Alabama	Mrs. Elizabeth Salter.....	504 Cotton Ave., Birmingham	July 31, 1913
Arizona	Mrs. Anna L. Tilton.....	217 W. Greeley St., Prescott	July 31, 1913
Arkansas	Mrs. Blanch Lynch.....	Fort Smith	July 31, 1912
Connecticut ..	Mrs. Hattie L. Ewen.....		July 31, 1912
Colorado	Mrs. Carrie Marr	Canon City	July 31, 1912
Dist. Columbia	Mrs. Aleena Lamond	Takoma Park	July 31, 1913
Florida	Mrs. Marie S. Weeks.....	Pensacola	July 31, 1913
Georgia	Mrs. Senie M. Hubbard....	360 Mulberry St., Macon	July 31, 1913
Idaho	Mrs. Margaret J. Gagon....	Blackfoot	July 31, 1913
Illinois	Mrs. Agnes M. Lowrie	707 So. Mason St., Bloomington ...	July 31, 1914
Iowa	Mrs. Jennie A. Rule.....	Mason City	July 31, 1914
Indiana	Mrs. Blanche Regett	Fowler	July 31, 1914
Kansas	Mrs. Jennie L. V. Brewster.	Baxter Springs ...	July 31, 1912
Kentucky	Mrs. Virginia Bonar	Falmouth.....	July 31, 1912
Louisiana	Mrs. W. G. C. Storm.....	Morgan City	July 31, 1912
Maine	Mrs. Annette H. Hooper...	Biddeford	July 31, 1912
Maryland	Mrs. Margaret Megenhardt.	1621 W. Fayette St., Baltimore ..	June 12, 1912
Massachusetts	Mrs. Isadore Forbes	825 South Street, Roslindale	July 31, 1912
Michigan	Mrs. A. Augusta Matteson.	Middleville	July 1, 1912
Minnesota	Mrs. Louise L. Johnson....	2005 2 Ave. South, Minneapolis	July 31, 1913
Montana	Mrs. Amanda L. Sayrs....	Philipsburg	July 1, 1912
Mississippi	Mrs. Mattie Davis	Okolona.	July 31, 1912
Missouri	Mrs. Anna L. Cummins	St. Louis.....	July 31, 1912
Nebraska	Mrs. Anna C. Simpson.....	325 So. 20th St., Omaha	July 31, 1913
New Hampshire	Mrs. Estelle Libbey.....	Goffstown	July 31, 1914
North Dakota ..	Mrs. Josie Aurland.....	Minot	July 31, 1913
North Carolina	Mrs. Charles Peterson.....		July 31, 1914
New York	Frederick W. Putnam, M. D.	210 Vestal Ave., Binghamton ...	July 31, 1912
New Jersey ..	Mrs. Emeline Paynton.....	692 Ave. A, Bayonne	July 31, 1913
New Mexico ..	Mrs. Minnie H. Miller.....	501 So. Cummings St., Los Angeles.	July 31, 1913
Nevada	Mrs. Alice Sheridan	Tonopah	July 31, 1912

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Ohio	Mrs. Jeannette S. May.....	1327 Dorr St., Toledo	July 31, 1912
Oregon	Mrs. Foibel Adam.....	Ontario	July 31, 1912
Oklahoma	Mrs. Anna S. Blackstone...	Webbers Falls	July 31, 1912
Pennsylvania ..	Mrs. Jennie Wood	435 Atwood St., Pittsburg	July 31, 1914
Rhode Island ..	Mrs. Isabel H. Sanborn....		July 1, 1912
South Dakota ..	Mrs. Angie L. Williamson ..	910 Lee Ave., Madison	July 31, 1913
South Carolina ..	Mrs. Carrie M. Killingsworth	McCormick	July 31, 1913
Tennessee	Miss Emma Taylor.....	Medina	July 31, 1914
Texas	Mrs. Fannie V. Ward.....	West Lafayette, Indiana	July 31, 1914
Utah	Mrs. Chloe J. Roddan.....	Park City	July 31, 1912
Vermont	Mrs. Willis E. Griswold....	Springfield	July 31, 1914
Virginia	Mrs. Mary E. Nesbitt.....	Richmond	July 31, 1912
Wisconsin	Mrs. Ella S. Washburn....	Racine	July 31, 1912
Wyoming	Mrs. Carrie R. Fisher.....	Box 245, Lauder..	July 31, 1914
West Virginia..	Mrs. Minnie Hoff	Harrisonville	July 31, 1912
Washington ...	Mrs. Libbie J. Demorest....	3317 No. 29th St., Tacoma	July 31, 1914
Scotland ...	Mrs. Eliza Hamilton	126 Stoberors St., Glasgow	July 31, 1912



APPENDIX

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R E P O R T

OF

Committee on Foreign Correspondence

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

"Necessity, thou best of peace-makers,
As well as surest prompter of invention,
Help us to composition!"

To the Worthy Grand Patron, Worthy Grand Matron, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter:

As the miser counts his hoardings, and gazes with greedy eyes upon their brilliancy and value, so have I delved into the very heart of each Grand Chapter Report, eager to enjoy the chronicles of unselfish loyalty, generous service, and fraternal love with which every volume was filled.

The Proceedings were intensely interesting, each, replete with loving sacrifice, told its story of government and growth.

"There must be government in all society,—
Bees have their queen, and the stag-herds have their leader;
Rome had her Consuls, Athens her Acrons,"
And our Order has its Worthy Grand Matrons.

As impossible, as to pass through a flower-decked field without culling a blossom here and there, that I may carry with me some of its beauty and fragrance, would be the enjoyment of the treasures of loving thoughts and lofty sentiments, without bringing to this report bits for the chance reader's reflection.

The labor entailed in reviewing the transactions of our sister Grand Jurisdictions, has been so full of instruction and pleasure that I shall always feel grateful to our Worthy Grand Patron, Brother Mossholder, for the privilege given and confidence shown.

Should the gentle impeachment or redundancy, or of being too easily satisfied, be made, the plea will be, that California is as large in mind as in State, as high in her ideals as the mountains that smile upon her, and as generous as the ocean that laves the land with its every returning wave.

If the fabric be faulty, my comfort here is found:

"No human quality is so well wove,
In warp and woof, but there's some flaws in it."

Each Grand Jurisdiction is, in most things, a law unto itself, and so it has often appeared.

While uniformity in the essentials is general, many diverse features, methods of procedure, and independent ideas as to legislation abound.

In all Grand Chapters, except Vermont, the Grand Matron is the recognized presiding officer, yet, in many Grand Jurisdictions, the Grand Patron presided much of the time; ofttimes it is ostensibly for the purpose of election; nevertheless, the reports of the various committees, and consequent action on each, fill up the hours. We are not so different, after all! Let the Fraternal Correspondents and General Grand Chapter continue to charge us with not coming into line. Methinks our toes have reached as close as some others.

Our brothers would vote to *name* the Grand Matron *first* if we insisted—their loyalty is unquestionable.

That the esoteric work may be well guarded, cipher forms have replaced the written-in-full copies. Many Grand Chapters refuse the purchase of Rituals by members.

Books of Instruction are issued in many Grand Jurisdictions; these are limited in number and must be strictly accounted for.

Schools of Instruction are increasing, and are fast becoming general. District Deputy Grand Matrons, Grand Lecturers, and Assistant Grand Lecturers visit officially and present full reports. In some States the Grand Matron is also a gleaner in the field, in others she visits socially, and in two "on invitation."

Many Grand Chapters are liberal in financing the Grand Officers; in others the expenses, and entertainment as well, are borne by the Chapters. To some, this is a great burden. No State equals California in generosity of appropriation.

The Proceedings invariably give us the ever-wished-for opportunity of seeing the speakers, as fine portraits of the guiding Stars illumine the pages.

Loving tributes to the departed of other Grand Jurisdictions are given,—some with beautiful, elaborate ceremony, and many floral tributes, others with the simplicity of Martha's emblem of immortality. These loving thoughts and the gracious reception received by the Grand Representatives, do much in welding, still more firmly, the links of the fraternal chain of the Grand Chapters.

Personal greetings were exchanged with the Grand Lodges, when their sessions were simultaneous; and the entertainment of Grand Chapter was often in the hands of a local Chapter, *assisted* by the Masonic Brothers.

While perusing the many Proceedings, minor differences in the work or movements were found interesting. All are embodied in the Reviews, but a summary here will give a general view.

Our Flag receives prominence at the opening of several Grand Chapters; the Grand Representatives received badges naming the State each

represented. Items of interest were given, and the State banner deposited in a great floral arch; the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron exchanged chairs when he presided during initiation.

In New Hampshire no veil is used; in Vermont, 'Adah uses a black one.

The number of candidates is limited, and stereopticon views forbidden during initiation.

In one large city, having concurrent jurisdiction, a Confidential Circular is issued as a safeguard against rejected or suspended persons.

One Grand Jurisdiction permits a quorum of *three*, instead of seven.

Several Grand Matrons and one Grand Patron exercised the privilege of their official capacity by granting dispensations to receive and elect the same evening, and to elect at a special meeting.

Passwords are used, in several States, as a means of protective purging. A Clandestine Chapter caused a troubled ripple for a time, as also did the irregularly conferred degrees by a Master Mason.

Traveling Cards, Visiting Cards, and Membership Cards are used quite extensively in some of the Eastern States.

Grand Honors are variously interpreted: in one State Grand Matrons and Grand Patrons, only, are eligible, while in others, the courtesy is generously extended to Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, and includes also the Grand Representatives.

Dispensations vary in cost from 50 cents to \$5.00.

The Festal Day of the Order, August 31st, Robert Morris' birthday, is generally observed as a day for contributions to charity.

A German Ritual has been published; there are several German Chapters; Palestine, in Connecticut, is the largest.

Many have a Historian on their list of Grand Officers. Much data is being gathered, insuring the authentic history of the early struggles as well as of current events. Literary gems, of poetry chiefly, are being collected and preserved. Three Grand Chapters are entertained annually by their Poets Laureate.

Numerically, California ranks number five. The nine largest Grand Chapters are Illinois, 55,860; Michigan, the oldest, with a membership of 45,483, followed by New York, Iowa, California, Ohio, Indiana, Texas, and Kansas, all of which exceed 20,000 in membership. The united membership of the Order of the Eastern Star Chapters of the world is far above the half-million mark.

Inconceivable is the good they have in their power to accomplish. The greatest essential in life is happiness. How gained? By something done and something won; something to hope for, and something of worth to love.

Elections present marked differences; the number of tellers vary from three, to thirty-three Tellers and Marshals of the Day or Collectors. The ballot is counted, in the Grand Chapter room, or in an adjoining reception room. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer are usually re-elected. The Grand Conductress and Associated Grand Conductress are *elected*. Progression is general, The offices of Associate Grand Patron and Associate Grand Conductress are the open-for-all positions in many States. Here they make suggestions, or nominations.

The Grand Chaplains and Grand Marshals are elective in some Grand Chapters, and number from one to three of each; they are designated as Senior Grand Chaplain, First Grand Marshal, and the like. In one state the Grand Warder is also chosen by ballot.

The retiring Grand Matron receives a Past Grand Matron's jewel, in all States except one; and the growing tendency is to treat the retiring Grand Patron in like manner. Several became the recipients of jewels of office; the custom will soon include all P. G. P.'s, we hope.

The customary presentations are general. Often they come intermittently throughout the session, but in others they flowed in their season,—following the installation of Grand Officers.

That invidious foe to harmony, the manipulator of the misused black-ball, was found to be skulking about in many otherwise happy Chapters.

This insidious stab in the dark is a coward's act. Here is a problem for the modern philosopher. General Grand Chapter returned the question to the Grand Chapter of Texas, unanswered. Education must solve the problem.

No day is so fair but some cloud will appear.

"The permanent things are the stars and the sun, not the clouds and dust."

When dark clouds obscure our vision
Of the Star we all would trust,
Let us hold fast to our mission;
The Lamp of Love will guide the just.

Societies, using membership in the Eastern Star as their basis for eligibility, flourish in some States, as the Grand Chapters see only good in their efforts, and they make no claims which connect them with the Order.

The Ochoth Sorority of Nebraska has as its object the comfort and content of O. E. S. University girls. When they reach the city, they are helped in many ways. The Society has grown rapidly and the idea is spreading to other States.

Among the attractive features of Grand Chapters, and the Subordinate Chapters, the following have been enumerated, as welcome innovations: Floral Work, Mystic Ties, Queen of the South, Floral Marches, Floral Degree, and the oft-found Fancy Entrance March.

The march of progress has been rapid and lengthy. Though difficult of realization, British America, where three Chapters existed in 1907, reported twenty in 1910. Within a year, British Columbia, Ontario, and Quebec will undoubtedly have established Grand Chapters of their own, as each now contains five chartered Chapters.

From Alaska came the glad word of Chapter privileges enjoyed; Mexico contains a thriving link of our great chain, while in Manila, Hawaii, and New Zealand many have seen His Star in the East.

In fair song-famed Caledon, the Order had a membership of 3709 in October, 1910, and numbered twenty-seven Chapters in Scotland and one in England.

Happiness, like gentle Mercy, is twice blest; it is the soul's perfume which, when bestowed upon others, enfolds the giver with its fragrance.

In caring for the indigent of the great Orders of Masonry and the Eastern Star, the members have found the happiness of giving. In almost every Grand Jurisdiction there is organized effort; the Handmaiden of Masonry has joined with the great brotherhood in the service of humanity. Iowa has made the greatest progress in this work. Two or three Grand Chapters have appeared to stand aloof, but we feel confident that, though no report has been given, in no Chapter has the cry of the widow and the orphan been heard in vain.

The song of life has ever its minor key, and by its slightest touch sweet Charity is always awakened.

The great art galleries exhibit their world-famed pictures for the pleasurable inspection of each passer-by; these receive the refreshing uplift, and latent powers are brought into action: may, in like manner, some thought, culled or written, bring to the chance reader's knowledge of the loving sacrifices exercised by many members of the Eastern Star.

Thus, through the symbols and teachings of our magnificent Order, the veil is lifted, and we enter upon the realities of that inner shrine where duty is love. The heart of man loves to dwell in the "Hall of Dreams," and, like Artaban, through the love shown "to the least of these," would also find the King.

"Chance will not do the work,
Chance sends the breeze;
But, if the pilot slumber at the helm,
The very wind that wafts us toward the port,
May dash us on the shelves. The steersman's part is vigilance
Blow it rough or smooth."

Fraternally submitted,

FIDELIA A. BECK, *Chairman.*

ALABAMA.

"The thing that goes the farthest toward making life worth while,
That costs the least and does the most, is just a pleasant smile.
The smile that bubbles from a heart that loves its fellowmen,
That drive away the clouds of gloom and coax the sun again.
It's full of worth, and goodness, too, with manly kindness blent,
It's worth a million dollars, and it doesn't cost a cent."

—Dudley Williams, Alabama.

On opening the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., of Alabama for 1910, the sweet, hopeful face of Mrs. Mary D. Hutchinson, Grand Matron, meets our gaze. With increased interest the portrait of her co-worker is sought; satisfying is the strength of purpose and nobility of character there depicted. We predict for them both a very successful administration.

The Tenth Annual Session of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., convened in Masonic Temple, Mobile, November 1st, at 10:00 o'clock A. M. All things being in readiness, the Grand Patron called the members to order and the Grand Officers were invited to enter. On assuming their stations the Grand Matron opened the Grand Chapter in due form, and the Grand Marshal made the Opening Proclamation.

Past Worthy Grand Matron Elizabeth Salter, their beloved Grand Secretary, was escorted to the East, duly introduced and given the Grand Honors. This sister is the Great Central Star in Alabama's growing constellation.

The addresses of welcome and response were redolent with the fragrance of fraternal love and high aspirations. The following especially impressed your correspondent: "Let us not forget the object of our coming, the object of our organization, the object of our existence. Let us do good that good may come of it."

"For He who gave this vast machine to roll,
Breathed life into us, gave us a reasoning soul,
That kindred feelings might our State improve
And mutual wants conduct to mutual loves."

"When fades each star in the West,—may it be said that while she lived she shone."

The address of the Worthy Grand Matron was exceedingly instructive and gave evidence of her faithful service and noble purposes.

Every official act proved that her constant aim was "Good for the Order."

Schools of Instruction were inaugurated, nine of which she held personally, thus coming in close touch with existing conditions in the Chapters. Much good was accomplished, as mistakes were corrected, proper criticisms made, and much needed instruction given.

Carelessness as to esoteric work, copying it, carrying it about, and writing the passwords were discovered. The Grand Chapter took rigorous action, and enacted forms of reprimands to cover the same.

Eleven District Deputy Grand Matrons, and a Committee on Work rendered valuable assistance in her labors for the unification of the work.

The Worthy Matrons were admonished to work without the use of the Ritual, to criticise when necessary, to enforce the Laws and Regulations of the Order, and to use tact and kindness. "Be wise as serpents and harmless as doves."

Many dispensations relative to elections out of time were granted. Requests for dispensation to *elect* and *initiate* a candidate the same evening were repeatedly refused.

Among Approved Decisions we notice: A half-sister of a Mason *can* be admitted as a member of the O. E. S.

A sister *cannot* be appointed and installed Sentinel.

A *rejected* candidate may petition again at any subsequent meeting.

Among Recommendations adopted we notice:

Chapters are to be *called up* when communications are read from the Grand East.

Chapters are to invite the Grand Matron to visit them, and do so early, that the itinerary of that officer may be arranged accordingly.

In closing, the Grand Matron spoke for the Good of the Order. The ballot should be impersonal. Representatives to Grand Chapters are workers, not guests; they are responsible for the laws enacted.

The Grand Patron reported the Order to be in a most prosperous condition; abounding in harmony and fraternity. He had visited fifteen cities in the interest of the Order, and organized eighteen new Chapters.

The Grand Secretary's report was a comprehensive statement of her various duties and their accomplishment, together with the tabulations usually given.

Sixteen Charters and eighteen Dispensations for new Chapters had been sent out.

Twelve Chapters, delinquent two years, were not represented. Their Charters were ordered "called in."

Number of members, 3,527.

Number Chapters in good standing, 89. The Credential Committee reported 41 Chapters represented.

Cash in General Fund, \$2,213.25; Home Fund, \$2,500. Five hundred dollars was transferred to the Home Fund by vote of Grand Chapter.

The Masonic Home, near Montgomery, Alabama, will soon be a grand reality. Its cornerstone was laid in December, 1910.

As is usual, a Chapter of Sorrow was held following the Report on Necrology, at which time the Roll of the Departed is called, the Altar draped and appropriate music rendered.

Brother De Clifford, of Los Vegas, N. M., a globe-trotter of some renown, addressed the Grand Chapter, leaving them this thought in conclusion: "The more you give, the more you receive."

The session occupied two days and two evenings. Exemplification of the Work occupied the first evening. The work was highly commended. A banquet for all followed.

Election of officers was held the next morning, the Grand Matron presiding. As the officers progress, interest centers in the Associate Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Patron.

Provision was made for the expense of holding Schools of Instruction.

The Committee on Work suggested: "In the circle around the altar that the hands be raised to about the points of the shoulders." This was adopted.

N. B.—No grievances, and no Grievance Committee appointed.

Charters having been granted to the U. D. Chapters, the representatives present were installed by the Grand Matron. Jewels were presented to the presiding officers by the Grand Secretary in behalf of the Grand Chapter, previous to the Installation of Officers.

This beautiful Order of Business was reserved for the Evening Session, and was made a public function. It was followed by an Address on India by Brother De Clifford.

Thus closed a very successful and harmonious session of the Grand Chapter of Alabama.

Sister Margaret Carter enjoys the distinction of having been the Fraternal Correspondent seven consecutive years. Her reviews of fifty-one sessions of forty-four Grand Chapters were replete with the facts which came before the Grand Chapters. The beautiful thoughts found were passed on for the enjoyment of many, and to all were given full, charitable recognition. California received ample measure, and a pleasing review of 1909.

Eleventh Annual Session. Anniston. Nov. 7 and 8, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Mary D. Hutchinson, Mobile, Ala.
Grand Patron—George F. Peter, Maylene.
Grand Secretary—Mrs. Elizabeth Salter, 516 Cotton, Ave., Birmingham.
Fraternal Correspondent—Miss Margaret Carter, Montgomery.

ARIZONA.

Tenth Annual Session. Tucson, Feb. 10, 1910.

The mesa-dotted plains of Arizona rest,
Where once a pre-historic ocean rolled;
And Arizona boasts a civilization blest,
Where ancient Indian tribes held their abode.

Pueblos, whence came ye, "Drinkers of the dew?"
The charm of hidden mystery still clings to you.
O, Arizona fair! their subtle charm, you share;
The theme of other greatness pervades the listening air.

Past splendors, historic, with their wierd India tale,
Your heights still reveal to the populous vales.
Your caverns of beauty, and stone forest bare,
Present phases of nature beyond compare.

While the Grand Canon, mighty beyond conception,
Inspire all who see it to noblest reflection.
And your rugged Brothers from their broad peaks
proclaim.
The strength, breath and courage that all may attain.

Fidelia A. Beck.

Though fifteen months had elapsed since the Ninth Annual Convocation was held, yet the Grand Chapter of Arizona completed the deliberations of its Tenth Annual Session in *one day*.

They convened at Elk's Hall, Tucson, on Thursday, Feb. 10, 1910, at 10 o'clock. The Grand Officers were all present, except four appointive officers. After opening the Grand Chapter, all Past Grand Officers, eleven in number, were received with Grand Honors. The Credential Committee having reported, the Address of Welcome was read by Sister

Hardy. From it we cull the following: "Our Star of Bethlehem more brightly shines through our deeds, and its radiance is more beautifully perceived in the smile of love and the expression of truth. Our Order will not progress without the undivided efforts of its constituency."

The Response, equally beautiful in expressions of love, purpose and hope, contained much worthy of repetition. A few lines will give the reader the trend of thought: "Should *we* emulate those kingly souls, (the three wise men), and sincerely seek Him, whose Star guided them, and like them give of our heart's best offering to all those who bear the impress of our divine humanity, what burdens resting on weary shoulders would be lightened; what sorrowing hearts consoled; what darkened lives lightened!"

The Grand Matron, Rosaline Clark, expressed gratitude that the Grand Chain had remained unbroken, and asked all to stand during the roll call of those who had been called upon to transfer their membership to the Grand Chapter above.

White blossoms, emblematic of purity, were placed on the altar, as a lesson to the living to overlook the failings of others, and grow gentler and better as their lives grow shorter.

Her appointments of Grand Representatives for Arizona included Sister Ellen Riemer, California.

Forty-eight invitations to visit Grand Chapters were answered, expressing regrets. (Ours must have miscarried.)

Dispensations to elect or install out of time were granted. Sister Morgan, P. G. M., resigned because of sickness. Brother E. S. Miller was appointed Fraternal Correspondent in her stead. The Grand Matron wrote 800 letters and visited *all* the chapters, fifteen in number. Saying of her visits: "It was not my purpose to indulge in undue criticism, nor fulsome praise, but to see that the Ritual was followed and the laws observed."

The Grand Chapter gave her a Grand Matron's jewel to wear during her term of office, the same to be passed to her successor in office, upon her installation. (A thought well worthy of imitation.)

Her decisions and recommendations were indicative of knowledge of law and good judgment combined, and were approved by the Grand Chapter. The special thanks of the Grand Chapter were extended to her, expressive of their appreciation of the zeal, energy and ability that had characterized her every act.

The Grand Patron's duties were light, being chiefly advisory. He visited two Chapters in Arizona and two in Los Angeles. His advice regarding the improper use of the ballot, and his admonitions should be heeded.

He recommended learning the secret work as soon as convenient after initiation.

The Grand Secretary, Harriet Jean Oliver, reported a healthy increase in membership, with a total of 1,289. All Chapters sent reports and dues. (A fine report.)

Balance in Treasurer's possession, \$1,570.40; number of Chapters, 15.

Election of officers shows progression to be their watchword. The Grand Conductress, Grand Lecturer and Associate Grand Conductress are elective

We noticed the Grand Lecturer was promoted by ballot to Associate Grand Patron, that the sister elected to be Associate Grand Conductress had held the office of Grand Electa, also that the retiring Grand Matron was appointed Fraternal Correspondent.

No work on charity. No Charity Fund or Home Fund.

The local Chapter, Arizona Chapter No. 2, exemplified the work in the evening. This was followed by the Installation of Grand Officers. The Grand Matron received a Past Grand Matron's jewel (value \$75.00) which was gracefully accepted.

The members of Grand Chapter were entertained on Tuesday evening by the local O. E. S. at a reception; on Wednesday afternoon at Old Pueblo Club with cards, and the same evening by the Commandery K. T. at a banquet. No wonder they voted to "Come Back."

An engrossed copy of Resolutions of Thanks was ordered for Arizona Chapter No. 2, Tucson.

The Fraternal Correspondent of 1910, Brother E. S. Miller, reviewed fifty sessions of 38 Grand Chapters in twenty-nine pages. Quite a task on short notice.

Look as we will, the review of California is missing still.

Eleventh Convocation. Feb. 16, 1911, at Tucson, Arizona.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Nellie Olney, Safford.

Grand Patron—Fletcher M. Doan, Tombstone.

Grand Secretary—Miss Harriet J. Oliver, Prescott.

Fraternal Correspondent—Rosaline Clark, Flagstaff.

ARKANSAS.

Thirty-fifth Annual Session. Little Rock, Nov. 14-15, 1910.

After the opening of Grand Chapter by the Grand Matron, Sister Thornburg, the following were welcomed, extended Grand Honors and

given seats in the East: Sister M. Alice Miller, M. W. Grand Matron; Sister Evans, G. M., of Oklahoma, and Brother Bryson, G. P., of the same state, and his estimable wife, also Mrs. McClain, P. G. M., and Grand Secretary.

The "Delighted to welcome you!" by the Worthy Matron of Esther Chapter, brought: "How good it feels—the hand of a friend," from the lips of Sister Rushing, Associate Grand Matron.

The roll-call of Grand Representatives met with fraternal greetings from their respective jurisdictions.

The Grand Matron's Address gave, in opening: "In the multitude of duties, the mass of correspondence, and the variety of people encountered this year, I have learned to be more patient with the inquisitive, and more charitable to the erring than ever."

"With the sunshine have come also the clouds. Our sympathy is extended to all who sorrow." The roll call was the beginning of a beautiful service, prepared by the Grand Matron, to bring the colors prominence, and elaborate the altar draping.

Among her first official acts was the arrangement for addresses, responses, initiation, installation and drill to be given at this session.

Only ten Chapters received personal visits, as sickness prevented, but those she had visited made her very welcome and happy.

The Grand Representatives, appointed or named, numbered 24; while the 21 decisions rendered required much thought and correspondence.

Acting on her best judgment and for the interest of the Order, she granted eighteen dispensations, and refused five. Four permissions to ballot upon a candidate without waiting the usual time were granted, and one to ballot at a called meeting, but refused permission to ballot out of time on a rejected candidate.

She gave the following official reply: "Decisions made by Grand Matrons and Patrons of the General Grand Chapter, for the government of subordinate Chapters, organized by, or under the immediate jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter, are not binding upon any Chapter in the various States, unless they are questions pertaining to the Ritual, and the like. One of the decisions referred to, is, that the investigating committee on petition should be appointed privately. This is not the law in Arkansas, and this decision does not affect our laws." The above was adopted, as also was her recommendation of changes in the By-laws of Grand Chapter, so as to read as follows: "No person shall be initiated into a Chapter who does not believe in a Supreme Being, or who is addicted to the use of intoxicating liquors. Petitioners for the degrees shall be persons of good moral habits, physically capable of giving the signs and passes, and shall be reported upon by the in-

investigating committee. No member of the Order, who becomes an atheist shall retain his or her membership in the Chapter."

Gratefully commending all who had assisted during the year, the Grand Matron concluded with:

"And if any sheaves I should bring at last,
When the harvest work is done;
When the burden gratefully down is cast,
I will thank these trusting ones;
And I will say, with proud, yet humble head,
Not mine should the harvest be,
For my best was nourished, tendered and fed
By those who believe in me."

The Grand Patron, Brother Clark, had felt the eager heart throbs self-felicitation that accompanies fulfillment of one's ambition; now he felt that the achievements and disappointments of the year had joined the irrevocable past, and for him was left the counting of the sheaves.

It had been a great source of regret to witness the marked falling from the ranks, but there was no ground for recrimination, as much of the apparent indifference could be traced to sources beyond their control. Meager crops had been experienced throughout the State for two years past; the effect falling heavily at this time; he felt that congratulations for holding their own, were in order. Various District Deputies were appointed, chiefly for the purpose of visiting and encouraging. Fourteen Deputies submitted reports, either to him or the Grand Matron. In general they reported a few prosperous Chapters, while many were dormant, or almost disseminated through sickness and discouraging conditions.

One Deputy wrote: "The financial condition of most of the Chapters has been such that the pleasures of visitation has been forced to give way to more pressing demands." Another: "Owing to the great amount of sickness throughout the country with us, and crop worries, I did not perfect the organization of U. D. Chapters in my county, but everything is bright for next year."

One cheering report by the Grand Secretary, Brother Hopkins, is the reorganization of five defunct Chapters.

One-half of the dues collected for 1910 was \$1,865.25, which constitutes the year's Orphan Home Fund. The balance in the General Fund was \$3,622.45.

Membership, Oct. 1, 1910, 8,388; 1,090 had dimitted or were suspended for non-payment of dues. Net gain of year, 62.

Careful inspection of the Chapter Returns disclose 84 Chapters that suffered a loss in membership, and 50 Chapters had no initiates.

Two hundred and twenty-four Chapters are on the Chapter Roll, with an average membership of about 31. One hundred and ninety-one Chapters had paid dues.

The Credential Committee reported 192 representatives from 168 Chapters, including the U. D. Chapters.

Hot Springs Chapter's Drill Corps gave the Grand Chapter a treat in the form of the Floral Drill. Upon the completion of the Floral Drill the Grand Officers resumed their stations, the gavel was surrendered to the Grand Lecturer, and the degrees conferred upon an Esther Chapter candidate.

The presentation of a cut glass vase to the Grand Matron, Sister Thornburg, occasioned happy words of thanks from her and Past Grand Patron Thornburg as well. The added honor of Worthy Grand Organist of the General Grand Chapter had been conferred on their Grand Matron, and the Grand Chapter of Arkansas felt justly proud.

One dear sister, 83 years old, had missed but three Chapter meetings in four years; she *walked* three miles to attend Grand Chapter. The members showed their appreciation by rising to receive an introduction to her.

The Superintendent of the Orphan's Home at Batesville gave an interesting account of the "building, the farm, the work of the boys, the school and the Sunday school." Sister Thornburg offered a prize to the pupil whose musical progress was the greatest.

Their Poetess Laureate entertained Grand Chapter with original poems; three of which appear in the Proceedings.

The Grand Lodge, F. and A. M., invited all to attend the Grand Lodge that evening and hear their "Grand Orator." They went.

Election interest centered in the selection of an Associate Grand Patron, Associate Grand Conductress and Grand Treasurer. The idea of promotion is generally adhered to.

A committee of three had in charge the Fraternal Correspondence. California received an excellent review from the pen of Sister Cobb.

Thirty-sixth Annual Session. Little Rock, Nov. 20, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Nora G. Rushing, Chidester.

Grand Patron—L. W. Matthews, Camden.

Grand Secretary—J. F. Hopkins, Mabelvale.

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE:

Mrs. Florence Meek, Genva.
Mrs. Ida B. Stapleton, Western Grove.
Mrs. M. A. P. McCrary, Hot Springs.

COLORADO.

Eighteenth Annual Session, Denver, September 21-22, 1910.

All of the Grand Officers, eleven Past Grand Matrons and Patrons and two hundred and fifty-seven representatives from sixty-eight Chapters were present at the opening of Grand Chapter, in Masonic Temple, by the Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Mary McLeod.

Short welcomes and responses preceded the reading of the Grand Matron's Address. Greetings and sincere welcome were echoed back, till she wished they might reply in the words of Burns:

"When death's dark stream I ferry o'er,
A time that surely shall come
In heaven itself I'll ask no more
Than just a Highland welcome."

Gratefully acknowledging God's providence in their unbroken circle, she extended the fraternal sympathy of the Grand Chapter of Colorado to other Grand Jurisdictions in the losses sustained.

Her official acts were carefully reported. Two Chapters had been constituted, and their officers installed. The by-laws of a number of Chapters had been approved, and the officers of two Chapters installed. Thirty-one special dispensations to elect, install, or both, and for other good causes, were granted. She refused permission to receive and ballot on petitions same evening or to vote on a petition at a special meeting.

The presence of the Grand Matron was requested to pass officially on a local difficulty. She came, and by her tact the difficulties were adjusted satisfactorily, and the Chapter was reported as being in a peaceful, prosperous condition.

A list of thirty-three Chapters, officially visited, is given; illness at her home preventing further visitations.

Christmas Greetings and Easter Greetings were sent, seven Grand Representatives appointed, and one waiver of jurisdiction granted.

The San Luis Valley Masonic and Eastern Star Association was held in Creede in June, 1910.

Royal entertainment was given, in that they were privileged to hear Masonic doctrine by talented craftsmen. They were served with a unique banquet.

The Grand Matron was elected an Honorary Member of the Association. The wonderful growth of the Eastern Star proves it to be a necessary Sister to Masonry, in sympathy, in work, in charity and in fellowship.

The Grand Patron had felt his official duties to have been a work of love and highly instructive. To those who have the best interest of the Order at heart, the opportunity to serve is always welcome.

He instituted five Chapters, and was ably assisted by different Chapters, whose officers and members came to his aid. He recommended that they be given Charters. This was done, except in one instance, where no imitations had followed the institution.

The Masonic Benevolent Fund, since started in 1901, has totaled \$2,781.33, and each year there had been withdrawn from this fund, for relief, a sum nearly equal to the year's contribution. He recommended that Grand Chapter, and all subordinate Chapters contribute to this fund as liberally as their circumstances permitted.

Twelve official visits, in company with the Grand Matron, were enjoyed.

Sister Cohen, their able Grand Secretary, presented with the account of her stewardship such other topics as she thought worthy of consideration.

The Relief Fund, returned by Brother Wood, P. G. P., of California, amounting to \$124.11, was placed in the Grand Treasurer's keeping.

Certificates of Good Standing had been issued to three members.

Thirteen hundred invitations to this Grand Chapter Session elicited responses from 48 Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions.

The returns showed 72 chartered Chapters and 6 U. D's, whose aggregate membership was 7,171. Radiant Chapter No. 12 reported 484 members. The net gain for the year was 292. A balance in the Grand Treasury of \$5,449.36 was shown.

The expulsion, by Lake City Chapter No. 36, of Mrs. Emma J. Baird was sustained by the Appeal and Grievance Committee, but they were over-ruled by the Grand Chapter. Lake City Chapter was ordered to restore the sister to membership in their Chapter. We find by the General Grand Chapter Proceedings of 1910 that Lake City Chapter appealed to them; there the matter, being considered of State Jurisdiction, was not considered, but was referred to Grand Chapter of Colorado.

This sister was accused of falsifying as to her husband's Masonic standing. She denied this and plead ignorance of his having no standing at the time of her admission as an initiate. The constitution provides that the qualified female relative must *present documentary evidence* that the Mason through whom she seeks admission is now, or in case of decease, was at the time of his death, a member of good *standing in said lodge*.

Grand Chapter was authorized to spend \$200 for its entertainment during each annual session.

Hereafter all amendments to the Constitution and By-laws, and all decisions by the Grand Matron shall be received by the Grand Secretary ten days before the annual session, and shall be printed for distribution to the members attending the Grand Chapter Session.

Interest in election centered about the selection of Associate Grand Patron and Associate Grand Conductress. Brother Clark Cooper was the choice for the former, and Mrs. Carrie T. Marr was given the latter distinction.

This talented sister was the Fraternal Correspondent, submitting her third report. She has no peer in that field, I am confident. The general information, and opinions deduced, exhibit a well-ordered intellect, fine discrimination, breadth of love for the Order and wisdom sufficient to guide safely the great fraternal band of Colorado O. E. S. We congratulate the Grand Chapter on its wise selection.

She gave California two pages of faithful review, for which we express the thanks of the Grand Chapter of *California*.

After the installation and gift ceremonies, Grand Chapter closed its session with peace and harmony prevailing.

Ninth Annual Session. Glenwood Springs, Sept, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Jennie Vidal, Holly.

Grand Patron—Will D. Grisard, Pueblo.

Grand Secretary—Eliza S. Cohen, Colorado Springs.

CONNECTICUT.

Thirty-sixth Annual Session. New Haven, Jan. 28, 1910.

"There is no room for care, or woe,

Or wish, apart from that one Will

That doth the worlds with music fill."

—Sill, *Connecticut*.

That band of happy travelers, the Officers of the Grand Chapter; O. E. S., of Connecticut, must realize the value of the following:

"Let us then be up and doing
With a heart for any fate
Still achieving, still pursuing,
Learn to labor and to wait."

Eight special meetings of Grand Chapter were held, in as many places, for the purpose of instituting Chapters. The Grand officers exemplified the work, and gave all necessary instructions. Mileage was paid and refreshments served. What happy gatherings! Each institution meant another growing link in the chain of Chapters that encircle the State.

The Thirty-Sixth Annual Session convened in Masonic Temple, New Haven, January 28, 1910, and was opened in regular form.

All the Grand Officers, save one, were present, and 23 Past Grand Matrons and Patrons. They were also honored by the presence of Past Grand Matron, Sister Leland, of Vermont; Associate Grand Matron Sister Babcock, of Rhode Island, and Sister Chapin, their own loved Worthy Grand Ada.

All were conducted East and given Grand Honors.

The Address of the Grand Matron was lengthy, but highly interesting, and gave ample evidence of her zeal, efficient work and business-like ability.

She gratefully reported an unbroken chain in the Grand Chapter, and extended sweet sympathy to all whom death had bereaved.

To express the immortality of the spirit, she personally placed a wreath upon the altar, saying: "Forms change, but the spirit changeth not.

"As it was before, it will be again
Fashion your dreams as you will;
When the veil is rent and the glory seen,
It will more than your hope fulfill."

On the Memorial Page for other Jurisdictions we find:

"Sleep on dear friends, such lives as thine
Have not been lived in vain,
But shed an influence, rare, divine
On lives that here remain."

Twenty-seven Grand Representatives were commissioned, twenty-five dispensations were granted, and fourteen decisions rendered.

All requests to receive and ballot on candidates the same evening were promptly refused.

One unfortunate circumstance is related. A Mason, who had visited O. E. S. Chapters in New York and New Jersey, sought to be admitted to "witness the Unfolding of the Star." He was denied admission, and the Grand Matron promptly notified, giving name and temporary residence of the brother(?)

A circular letter was at once issued, warning all Chapters in the Grand Jurisdiction, and asking all to read the Test Oath.

We feel keenly for the Brother Mason. His unfortunate experience illustrates the result of the O. E. S. law in New York and New Jersey in this respect.

All copies of secret work were called in, and replaced by new ones in cipher form.

A member of a defunct Chapter having no dimit must petition as a new member. (Why not ask for a Grand Chapter Dimit?)

The petitioner's name must be on the margin of the dimit.

The age of a dimit does not affect its legality.

Non-affiliates, whose dimits anti-date one year are debarred from the privileges of the Order.

Chapters may install absent officers, by proxy, providing the first three officers are regularly installed.

The Grand Officers of Connecticut believe in fraternal visits. The Grand Matron visited all 65 Chapters officially. The Associate Grand Matron is credited with 35 visits; the Grand Patron with 30, and other Grand Officers with 20 or more.

The Grand Matron enjoyed many delightful occasions, chief of which were: Past Grand Matrons' and Past Grand Patrons' Association; reception given by her home Chapter; Morris Day Outing, where she delivered the address; Grand Masters' Day at Masonic Home, and the Grand Chapter Sessions of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Two hundred and sixteen dollars and twenty-six cents Return Relief Fund from California was applied to the Home Fund. Later this money and the contributions of the year (\$198.70) was placed in the hands of a committee to be used in placing a metal ceiling in the Assembly Hall of the Masonic Home. The O. E. S. and Masonic Fraternity of Connecticut unite in their efforts for the comfort of indigent brothers and sisters.

The Past Matrons and Patrons were enjoined to give loyal, active support to the present officers. Punctuality in opening Chapters, and silence relative to the ballot and the candidates were urged.

In closing, she said: "We climb the ladder of life from year to year. Just a year older; just another footstep; just another struggle to shake off sorrow and sadness; just another effort to fill the world with gladness."

Grand Patron Rawlings, the self-styled "department manager," gave an interesting account of his department. With the assistance of the Grand Officers he had instituted eight Chapters.

One of these, Palestine, is composed of Germans. They use a German translation of the Ritual, and are enthusiastically zealous, numbering 102 members.

He recommended that not more than *eight* candidates be initiated at one time, and that U. D. Chapters pay no per capita tax for the first year.

Five Chapters were inspected and thirty-five visited sociably during his year in office. He recommended that Charters be granted the five U. D. Chapters instituted earlier in the year.

The Grand Secretary, Harriet I. Burwell, P. G. M., submitted an excellent report, comprising six pages, and in addition furnished much statistical information.

Sixty-one Chapters out of the 65 were represented. The report of the Grand Treasurer shows a balance of \$1,006.05, and a Home Fund of \$2,064.64.

The Grand Chapter paid the incoming Grand Matron's expenses to attend the General Grand Chapter.

The election of officers was pleasant, showing the spirit of progressiveness. The Associate Grand Patron and the Associate Grand Conductress were the only *newly* elected ones.

Installation and all complimentary work was reserved for the evening session.

We note that the Grand Chapter of Connecticut can revolve the business wheels rapidly; one day and evening sufficing them.

The Grand Matron presides at opening, at installation and at closing.

After the ceremonies of installation the retiring Grand Matron was presented with a diamond and sapphire ring from her officers and a Past Grand Matron's jewel from the Grand Chapter. Each was accepted with appropriate words of appreciation.

The Fraternal Correspondent, P. G. M., Linna E. Pond, has taken a pleasurable "Trip of the Continent." We have enjoyed it with her, even to seeing "oursel's as ithers see us."

Thirty-seventh Annual Session. Hartford, Jan., 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Kate A. Case, Bristol.
Grand Patron—James Simpson, Torrington.
Grand Secretary—Harriet J. Burwell, Winsted.
Fraternal Correspondent—Ida E. W. Davis, Collinsville.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Fourteenth Annual Session. Washington, Jan. 6, 7, 8, 1910.

"Fraternity is secret sympathy,
A silver link, a silken tie,
That from heart to heart, and mind to mind,
The body and the soul doth bind."

On the above date the artistically decorated Scottish Rite Hall was the setting in which shone a little gem of a Grand Chapter, composed of 12 Chapters and over 3,000 members. Ruth Chapter, No. 1, numbers 519, while the "Baby Chapter," Cathedral, No. 14, has 117.

Their financial status is excellent, having \$9,608.66 on hand, and \$10,620 invested.

The Masonic Lodges and Eastern Star Chapters have united in the building and maintenance of a home, and are laboring assiduously to that end. We are interested. Their donations aggregated \$2,710 during the year of 1909.

A resolution providing for a Special Home Tax of \$1.00 per capita each year for five years was found objectionable. At a special session of the Grand Chapter the action was reconsidered and a substitute adopted, which provided for voluntary contributions according to the means of the members.

A school of instruction was held, Martha Chapter exemplifying the work as prepared by the Committee on Work, under the direction of the Grand Lecturer. This work was approved and made official.

The advent of a new Star upon the horizon of this Grand Jurisdiction was attended with much form and ceremony. At the first Special Session, a Chapter was instituted, the Grand Officers officiating. Cath-

edral Chapter No. 14 received its charter at another Special Session of Grand Chapter. It was an occasion for the gathering of the clans, so to speak. Addresses were made by three officers of the General Grand Chapter and many Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons. Sister May T. O'Brien, was in truth, a *Worthy Grand Matron*; her adherence to duty and lofty ideals are indicated by these lines from her address:

"When we shall have learned to practice the Golden Rule, when we can persuade ourselves to resign our interests to another's advantage, when we can respect each other's opinion and be tolerant of each other's errors, then, with the trustful faith of Martha we can have faith that His sublime truths will some day permeate all our thoughts and control our actions, and then, and only then, will life and light and love become the one great law of the universe and its eternal harmony."

This Grand Jurisdiction boasts two distinguished members, Sister Foley, P. M. W. Grand Matron, and Brother Williamson, P. M. W. Grand Patron. These were proudly given every honorary distinction possible. Thirty-seven Grand Representatives, each wearing her respective *badge* were welcomed and given Grand Honors; Sister Lamond, Senior Past Grand Matron, represented California.

"Love and goodwill to the Grand Chapter" were the words of greeting sent by the Most Worthy Grand Matron, and the burden of the fifty-four messages from thirty-seven Grand Jurisdictions was "loving greetings."

Every phase of the year's work was reviewed by the Grand Matron. The twelve Chapters had been visited twice; seven Chapters had requested her to install their officers. In this work her Grand Marshal and Grand Chaplain had given assistance.

A decision of general interest was given relative to returning the initiation fee of an applicant who had rendered the Chapter valuable service. She decided that any motion to appropriate money to reimburse the party would be in violation to the Grand Constitution.

The Grand Patron reviewed his official acts and reminded them of their pledge, the completion of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, saying: "I urge you, in the name of fraternity, to make this task your one great object during the coming year. It is a glorious task, worthy of our mettle, and one that will bring to all who engage in it its own reward."

His recommendation that a stenographer be employed for each session of Grand Chapter, to assist the Grand Secretary was adopted.

The Chapters are required to notify the Grand Matron and Grand Patron, in advance, of their intention to dispense with regular meetings.

Brother Landergren spoke of himself as a pilot, not a captain. He had endeavored with all the skill at his command to guide the Grand Charter ship clear of the rocks of discord, away from the shallows of dispute, through the clear deep waters of harmony into the safe harbor of Fraternity.

Sister Yost presented her tenth report. She is to be commended, and the Grand Chapter of District of Columbia congratulated. We have a Grand Secretary, par excellence, ourselves, so can appreciate good work.

Traveling cards are used in this Jurisdiction.

The Grand Treasurer reports a balance of \$3,045.64.

Being a Grand Lecturer in District of Columbia means work. Sister Teachum held nineteen rehearsals, made twenty-four official visits and twenty-two other visits; evidently she did teach—um.

The Masonic Home contains thirteen inmates, ranging in age from 53 to 86. Their contentment can be judged by their manner of addressing the Matron of the Home—it is always "Mamma Darling."

Chapters have been given the freedom and encouragement of friendly rivalry in "adding to the beauty and impressiveness of the degrees."

Election is progressive; thirteen offices are elective. The Associate Grand Conductress progressed from Grand Marshal, the Associate Grand Patron from the office of Grand Sentinel.

Sister Streater presented the review of California Grand Chapter proceedings of 1909. We quote: "Sister Willats must be a beloved Grand Secretary, and surely lives in her life to the closing of her report, 'with charity for all, with malice toward none.'" Accept our thanks for the kind thoughts expressed in our behalf.

The installation, presentation of gifts and votes of thanks formed a happy closing. To these were added prayer and song. The review of this happy family of Chapters has been exceedingly enjoyed.

Fifteenth Annual Session. Washington, Jan., 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Hattie E. Hutchinson, 328 Fifth Street, S. E.

Grand Patron—Angus Lamond, Takoma Park

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Rose A. Yost, 638 Newton Place, N. W.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Nellie M. Landergren, 318 Third Street, N. E.

FLORIDA.

Sixth Annual Session. Jacksonville, April 20, 21, 1910.

"Give to the world the best you can
And the best will come back to you."

A brilliant Eastern Star reception was held in the auditorium of the Windsor Hotel on the evening of April 19th. At the head of the receiving line of Present and Past Grand Officers were placed two distinguished guests, the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Ella S. Washburn, and Past Grand Matron Mrs. Abbie E. Krebs of California.

The opening ceremonies of the Grand Chapter Session were begun at 10 o'clock, April 20, in the Masonic Temple, with nine Grand Officers absent. Forty-nine delegates from twenty-eight Chapters, twenty-five Grand Representatives and the two above mentioned guests were in attendance.

The Grand Conductress and Grand Associate Conductress assumed their stations after the opening and escorted Sisters Washburn and Krebs to the East, where a warm welcome and honors befitting their respective titles awaited them.

A Welcome Address by a Past Matron of the local Chapter was read, and ably responded to by the Associate Grand Matron. She spoke of the greatness of the Order, as an association of men and women for the upbuilding of mankind, having for its basic principle a belief in God, and the immortality of the soul, which principles, if accepted and practiced by each and every member, will lead step by step upward and onward toward the high ideals of life. In short, she felt that the Order stands for the betterment of human character, in all phases of life.

Twenty-five Grand Representatives were escorted to the East and presented. The Associate Grand Patron, Brother Grether, welcomed them, saying in part: "As links in that great fraternal chain which encircles and binds together the Grand Chapters, you are most vital. Your knowledge, gained through the reports of the Grand Jurisdiction you represent, will be a tower of help in perplexing questions." A gracious reply was given by Sister Margaret L. Campbell, Representative of Iowa.

The address of Sister Bruce, the Grand Matron, was interesting throughout. Beginning with "Welcome, thrice welcome," to Sister Washburn, her cordial greetings included all, even the various Grand Jurisdictions represented.

Though no links of the Grand Chapter chain had been severed, her sympathetic heart was with her sorrowing sisters and brothers.

"I would not know
Which of us will be the first to go.
I only wish the space may not be long
Between the parting and the greeting song
But when, or where, or how we're called to go
I would not know."

Much instruction and useful information reached the Chapters through her two circular letters, which doubtless obviated difficulties. We give the gist of a few:

The West should never be left vacant.

Guard well the lips as to Chapter affairs.

Waiver of Jurisdiction requires a secret ballot, and a two-thirds majority.

"I request the W. M. to step to the right and take the unoccupied chair, then W. P. can comply with her request." (In initiation.)

Twenty-eight Grand Representatives to and from the Grand Charter of Florida were commissioned; six dispensations were granted; twelve questions on law answered; twenty-three decisions rendered, and eleven recommendations to Grand Chapter made.

Over one thousand communications were written during the year—a labor in itself. By-laws were approved and two new Chapters instituted. Having no Grand Deputies or Grand Lecturers the burden of the instruction fell upon the Grand Matron. Of the thirty-six Chapters in good standing, thirty were visited officially, and assistance and encouragement given to the weak, dormant Chapters.

Through the efforts of her Home Chapter she was enabled to secure a complete set of jewels for the Grand Chapter. An account was given of her receiving the needful check from the topmost branch of Tampa Chapter's Christmas tree; the Grand Chapter was asked to receive the gift of jewels with the loyal love of Tampa Chapter.

Eight hundred dollars was raised by the Chapters and placed in the hands of the Grand Matron, and her committee, with full power to expend the same in entertainment of the General Grand Chapter.

At the same time voluntary contributions for the Masonic Home fund aggregated \$151.25. What an achievement for a young Grand Jurisdiction! We wish them continued success.

The Grand Patron, Brother Davis, reports the Order harmonious and prosperous. Seven Charters were instituted during the year, only one receiving his personal assistance as an instituting officer.

Personal greetings by Sister Krebs was accompanied by a bouquet of carnations for the Grand Matron; seventy-six Grand Officers sent greetings, nearly every Grand Jurisdiction gave thought to Florida.

A fine, clear portrait of the Grand Secretary, Arthur H. Carter, P. G. P., precedes his annual report; twelve pages of valuable information are contributed, and several pages of well-arranged statistics.

Opposition to the O. E. S. was shown to be waning; each year increases the growing recognition the Masonic Lodges and Grand Lodge of Florida are now manifesting. The following, by the Grand Secretary, ought to convert even Toplady Freed: "To us, as Brethren, the rooms should have an added reverence; could we consider that last night, or the night before, perhaps, a band of noble women had met together in the same place, with very much the same object in view, as we would then be considering."

The Masonic Home Fund was \$851.55; balance in the Grand Treasury, \$1,220.14; total membership reported, 1,435, with a net gain of 305.

Three Eastern Star bands surrendered their charters, leaving an active roll of 36 Chapters.

Legislation was enacted insuring the proper preservation of the secret work.

A selected corps of officers, representing thirteen Chapters, exemplified the work, according to the instructions given in the "Red Book" in a highly commendable manner.

Memorial services were held, in which the Grand Matron, three Past Grand Matrons, the Grand Chaplain and the choir participated.

The history of the Order in Florida is to be written; an historian was appointed for that purpose.

Seven U. D. Chapters were given Charters, and their officers, present, installed by Sister Washburn.

The custom of progression in office made election an easy task.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Campbell, has given much study to the work—she submitted seventy-eight pages as the result of her review of fifty-three sessions of forty-six Grand Chapters. Gentle Sister, compare P. G. P. Fraser's act with P. G. P. Davis', relative to appointment of deputy for institutions. California Grand Chapter has been given a thoughtful review.

The use of a question box brought good results.

A committee was appointed to convey greetings and best wishes of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., to the Masonic Fraternity when in Grand Session in Jan., 1911.

The officers of Grand Chapter were beautifully and impressively installed by Sister Washburn, with Sister Krebs as Grand Marshal.

The Past Grand Matron's jewel was presented as a token of the victory she had attained through her labors. The many other gifts of gold, silver, cut glass and flowers would have made a creditable display at a wedding. Florida does things!

With a series of resolutions of thanks the happy convention closed.

Seventh Annual Session. Jacksonville, May, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Cora R. Franz, Jacksonville.

Grand Patron—John D. Grether, Jacksonville.

Grand Secretary—Arthur H. Carter, Holly Hill.

Fraternal Correspondent—Marie S. Weeks, Pensacola.

GEORGIA.

Ninth Annual Session. Cordele, May 17, 1910.

As we open these proceedings, the pictures of three trusted officers invite inspection—Grand Matron, Minnie M. Collier; Grand Patron, Rev. J. D. Miller, and Grand Secretary, Jennie L. Newman. Their cheerful, calm, refined features speak to us of their noble ambitions. We predict for them success, and a happy year's service.

The Masonic Hall of Cordele opened wide its doors on May 17, 1910, to welcome the Ninth Annual Session of Grand Chapters.

The Grand Patron, A. S. Harris, was detained by his duties at the Masonic Home, so bowed to the inevitable and addressed a communication of regrets, expressing therein his hearty good wishes for a harmonious, profitable session.

His office was filled by Brother W. J. Wilson, the Associate Grand Patron. Five other Grand Officers were absent.

The usual opening ceremonies were conducted, followed by several addresses of welcome. Colonel J. Gordon Jones spoke eloquently in behalf of the Masonic Fraternity of Cordele, warmly welcoming those whom Cordeleans were proud to have the honor and pleasure of receiving.

"We have heard an alarm at the door of our Masonic home, and it is our good fortune and great pleasure to open wide the door and bid the guest a Masonic Welcome, a welcome which comes from our hearts.

The language of every good Mason's heart is:

'Ye are the stars of the night, ye are the gems of the morn,
Ye are the dew drops whose luster illumines the thorn,
And rayless that night is, that morning unblest,
Where no beam in your eye lights up peace in the breast,
And the sharp thorn of sorrow sinks deep in the heart,
Till the sweet lip of woman assuages the smart.
'Tis hers o'er the couch of misfortune to hend,
In fondness a lover, in firmness a friend;
And prosperity's hour be it ever confessed,
From woman receives both refinement and zest.'"

The Welcome of Tallulah Atkin's Chapter was expressed by Sister Tallulah Atkins:

"The large are not the loveliest flowers,
The longest are not the sweetest hours.
Much words do not much friendship tell,
Few words are best.
We bid you welcome and wish you well."

The response to these addresses was given by Sister Minnie M. Collier; she expressed the thanks in behalf of every part of the Empire State of the South, for the generous, hearty welcomes extended.

Sister Parr addressed the Grand Representatives in behalf of the Grand Chapter.

"You bring us greetings of love and good cheer from sister Jurisdictions; you serve as a reminder of the existence of this beautiful Order throughout the land. The mutual exchange of Representatives, by the Grand Chapters, is now recognized as an important factor in cementing the golden links of fraternity."

The Representative of South Carolina gave greetings.

The Grand Matron's address showed devoted, skillful leadership; she had gleaned in the field of opportunity, and now submitted sheaves.

A wonderful growth was recorded, eighteen Chapters were constituted, and with the assistance of Special Deputies eleven bright Stars were instituted and greeted by the Eastern Stars of Georgia.

Every department of Chapter work had been given careful supervision by the able assistance of three District Deputy Grand Matrons. Gratifying results were shown in the ritualistic and floor work.

Pleasant duties filled the hours, thirty-two names were suggested for appointment to represent Georgia, and eleven Grand Representatives were appointed to preserve the kindly relationship at other Grand

Jurisdictions. Thirteen dispensations and three recommendations were included in the recorded list of duties accomplished.

Much good was accomplished by an official communication to the Grand Lodge, F. & A. M., of Georgia, asking for O. E. S. recognition. It breathed such a sweet spirit of helpful, hopeful purpose, that the Masons adopted a resolution recommending that all members O. E. S. in good standing be eligible to admission to the Masonic Home, and that the Grand Chapter be authorized to elect two lady members to serve on the Masonic Home Board of Trustees.

Sister Hubbard had always found the Masons "truly fairest among millions and charitable to the core."

The cut of the Masonic Home at Macon, Georgia, represents a well-situated, handsome structure.

The Students' Aid Circle of Electa Chapter (the largest Chapter in Georgia), gave an entertainment, with such gratifying results that, after providing a Business Course Education for one of the Masonic Home boys, they still had a balance of \$200; this was donated to Grand Chapter for educational purposes.

Continuous duty at the Masonic Home prevented any active service by the Grand Patron, yet his *pen labored vigorously* in the vineyard with good results, among which were the institution of eleven new Chapters. He says in conclusion: "Get thy spindle and thy distaff ready, and God will send the flax."

The Grand Secretary, Jennie L. Newman, explained that she had given daily service and performed undreamed-of duties; the increase of Chapters and members was giving added work, but she would not have it otherwise.

One Chapter surrendered its Charter, sending a balance of \$21.60 to the Grand Secretary.

There are seventy-six Chapters, with an aggregate membership of 3778. Among these are ten dormant ones, whose dues were unpaid.

Sister Maude Allen, Grand Treasurer, and one of the Deputy Grand Matrons, reported a total balance of \$1,842.27.

Two days were occupied by the Grand Chapter session; the first evening was profitably spent as guests of Tallulah Atkins Chapter. Their beautiful exemplification of the work gave them the coveted distinction of "Banner Chapter of the State." Rome fell! It will rise again.

A sumptuous banquet at Hotel Suwanee was enjoyed by 200 guests; here a feast of reason and a flow of soul added greatly to the delights of the elegant menu.

Eleven U. D. Chapters received Charters, and their representatives installed and given recognition.

Election of officers resulted in the election of the Grand Chaplain, Rev. Miller, as Grand Patron, and the promotion of the Worthy Associate Grand Matron. Only eight new names were added.

The report on Necrology was read and appropriately observed.

A Digest of Adopted Decisions was published with the Proceedings of 1910. A wise provision.

We notice that Georgia has eight or more Daylight Chapters, whose time of meeting range from 10:00 o'clock A. M. to 3:00 o'clock P. M.

Short, interesting reviews were presented by Sister Mamie R. Neill, Fraternal Correspondent. California received courteous mention. Thanks for the good wishes and appreciation of Georgia.

The installation ceremonies occupied the evening of May 18th. Many beautiful tokens of regard were received by the retiring Grand Matron, chief among which was the Past Grand Matron's jewel.

The beautiful portrait of Sister Hubbard and her little granddaughter gives a dear home touch to the Proceedings.

The Grand Chapter adopted the little one (as a Mascot) and presented her with a souvenir spoon.

The "Notes by the Wayside" tell us that this session accomplished an unusual amount of work, gave its members an enjoyable time and ended happily.

Tenth Annual Session. Augusta, May, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Minnie M. Collier, 702 E. First Street, Rome.

Grand Patron—Rev. J. D. Miller, Cordele.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Jennie L. Newman, Dalton.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Mary R. Neill, Atlanta.

IDAHO.

Eighth Annual Session. Twin Falls, June 14, 1910.

Business and pleasure mingled happily during this Grand Chapter Session. The members were tendered an informal reception; were banqueted and photographed, and a half-day session was called off that all might enjoy an automobile ride to Shoshone Falls.

Grand Chapter convened in Elks' Hall at 10:00 o'clock. Finding a constitutional number of Chapters represented, the Grand Matron, Sister Harriet H. Smith, made eleven *pro tem* appointments and opened Grand Chapter.

Among the Eastern Star members in attendance were twenty-five Chapter representatives, and twenty-seven Grand Representatives and other Past Grand Officers.

The welcome of Twin Falls Chapter, by Sister Zehna Baker, contained hopes that the fraternal bond would be strengthened, the Order advanced and inspiration given.

"True worth is in being, not seeming,—
In doing, each day that goes by,
Some little good,—not in dreaming
Of great things to do by and by.
For whatever men say in their blindness,
And spite of the fancies of youth,
There's nothing so kingly as Kindness,
And nothing so loyal as Truth."

After expressions of appreciation and thanks, the Associate Grand Matron filled her beautiful response with the purposes of the re-union, and the hoped-for beneficent influences it would produce.

Twenty-four Grand Chapter Representatives were presented, given Grand Honors, and formally welcomed by the Grand Patron, J. F. Herr. The response was given by California's Representative, Sister Gagon.

We enjoy the portrait of the Grand Matron. It is pleasant to look in the face of the speaker. The opening lines and the reminiscent look belong together.

"Another page within the Book of Time
By the recording angel has been turned,
And the story of the year is told."

At the beginning of her address, a tribute of loving remembrance was given to those who had joined the ever-lengthening chain above.

"We humbly ask that the light of Divine sympathy may shine into the darkened homes and hearts."

After draping the altar, the Grand Matron said:

"Place a wreath upon the altar,
It may fade and be no more;
But the loved ones have only wandered
To the bright celestial shore.
Yes, let us drape the altar gently,
For the loved ones who have gone,
Let us kneel in supplication
As we say, 'Thy will be done.'"

The many, varied duties incumbent on the Grand Matron, during her official year, necessitated 5000 miles of travel, 200 of which were by stage, with a cost to Grand Chapter of only \$154.25.

She installed the officers of her home Chapter, at a joint installation with the Masonic Lodges; appointed twenty-one Grand Representatives, and suggested eighteen as Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions; approved the by-laws of eight Chapters; granted ten dispensations, and made three recommendations.

Thirty-one official visits were made; of these she says: "I have visited Chapters strong in membership, and those whose links were few, * * * but in all, the great principles of our Order—charity, truth and loving-kindness, are shining brightly."

Suggestions and instructions were kindly and thankfully received; members attended well, and the officers were interested. A good report.

Two Chapters were instituted by her, and one by the Grand Patron.

Through her recommendation the Memorial Service, known as the Chapter of Sorrow, was to be placed in the Subordinate Chapters, to be used on Memorial Day.

In conclusion:

"My work is done; how well only the Master knows;
One never sees the fruit of all the seed he sows.
It may be only my part to patiently turn the sod;
One plants, another waters, but the increase comes from God."

Facing his "Report," is the earnest, honest likeness of him who guided the business portion of Grand Chapter. Sterling worth marked every paragraph of his address. The interesting account of his official acts, and courtesies received, leads on to expressions of appreciation of the office held, of the assistance rendered by the hard-working, consistent Grand Matron, and the experienced, willing Grand Secretary; closing with:

"Kind words are oftentimes better than gold."

The Grand Secretary sent a communication to each member of Adelaide Chapter, No. 26, stating that their dimits were illegal, and would not be recognized. Secretaries have no authority to issue dimits upon the segregation of a Chapter. She referred all who wrote relative to the matter to the Grand Chapter for redress. The number of Chapters is thirty-three. Membership, December 31, 1909, was 1956, with a total cash balance of \$1,410.24. All Chapters sent Returns.

The Grand Chapter sent greetings to four Grand Chapters then in session, and received replies from South Dakota, North Carolina, and Oregon.

Three U. D. Chapters received their Charters, and were given representation after their officers had been installed.

On Wednesday evening, the officers of Grand Chapter exemplified the work, to the satisfaction of all, after which fully 200 enjoyed an elaborate banquet, and the addresses of several Grand Officers.

Members, suspended for dues, owe the amount due at time of suspension only. This encourages the desire for reinstatement.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Wilson, submitted sixty-two pages of reviews, covering fifty sessions of forty-eight Grand Chapters; she writes what she finds and makes no unkind comments. We were pleased to find that California received generous consideration.

As a result of the election of Grand Officers, the Associate Grand Matron, and Associate Grand Patron (*pro tem*), were advanced, the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer re-elected; all others were newly-elected Grand Officers.

Governor James H. Brady was present and addressed the members.

The impressive installation by the retiring Grand Matron, assisted by the Grand Marshal, and the reception of the Past Grand Matron's jewel, with all the endearing words that belong to such occasions, together with the gracious reply of grateful acknowledgment, united in producing a happy climax to the very pleasant Grand Chapter Session.

Ninth Annual Session. Salmon City, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Elizabeth Delaney, Coeur d'Alene.

Grand Patron—Charles H. Edwards, Boise.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. M. E. O'Melveny, Pocatello.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Mathilda Ott, Coeur d'Alene.

ILLINOIS.

Thirty-sixth Annual Session. Chicago, October 4, 5, and 6, 1910.

"Illinois!

On which improvement yet has made no blot;
But Nature, all astonished stands to find
Her plan protected by the human mind."

No more successful or memorable Session of the Grand Chapter of Illinois ever convened, than was held in Medina Temple, Chicago, on the dates above given.

A Song of Welcome, by the Lexington Quartet, greeted the Grand Matron, Sister Amalia Huehl, and the Grand Patron, Brother D. John Forbes, while being escorted to the East, and a like sweet courtesy was shown after the opening of Grand Chapter, when the visiting Grand Matrons and Grand Patrons, and all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of their own and other Grand Jurisdictions were asked to "take seats informally in the East." The Grand Matron expressed to the quartet her personal appreciation and pleasure for their sweet-voiced welcome.

Sister Knowles, a loved Past Matron of the Grand Matron's Home Chapter, extended the gracious welcome in behalf of the Chicago Chapters. Response was given by Sister Bender, the Associate Grand Matron, who voiced the thanks of Grand Chapter.

The Worthy Grand Matron presented a masterful address. Lofty ideas were charmingly expressed in a characteristically individual manner.

Note the style and thought: "Law is law forever. It is a mighty lever that thrusts man to endeavor and speeds us on our course. The law of the universe commands fraternalism to be the keynote of the divine blessing of the brotherhood of man. The association of moral excellence of character with intellect, are the forces that govern the world. The acts performed will fade from memory, but the truths proclaimed and principles inculcated will reach beyond the short period of our earthly existence."

The untiring energy, high aspirations, and unerring wisdom shown through this record of her official year's work, prove her to have been at all times a *Worthy Grand Matron*.

Lengthy, comprehensive circular letters were sent to all the Chapters, asking that sections of the Grand Chapter By-Laws be read for the Good of the Order; that requests for visits of the Grand Matron be under the seal of the Chapter; that requests for Official School of Instruction be sent early; that those desiring to become Grand Lecturers be well prepared for examination by the Grand Examiners; that the "Aunties" at the Home be given their loving care; that the pennies for the Home Bank be kept in mind; that items of Chapter interest be sent to *The Signet*; that notices of rejections and suspensions be promptly sent to the Committee on Confidential Circular, and that all be calm and firm in their convictions of right.

Many exchanges of courtesies between neighboring States, as to waivers of jurisdictions, are recorded.

She granted 111 dispensations; revoked the Charter of a defunct Chapter; appointed Deputies to constitute four Chapters; declared the

reception of the petition of the wife of an unaffiliated Mason illegal, and instructed that she be not initiated, and that the fee be returned to her.

Correspondence was received and investigations made, relative to the declaration by a Worthy Matron, and the acting Associate Matron, that the ballot was clear when it was not. The Grand Matron embodied these in her report. The jurisprudence Committee was instructed to investigate, and the testimony given confirmed the guilt of the sisters. The committee recommended expulsion. This action was taken by the Grand Matron. The charges against the deposed Worthy Matron and acting Associate Matron came before the Joint Committees of Jurisprudence and Appeals and Grievances during the Session. After hearing the evidence they were expelled from the Order; their offense—"repeatedly having declared a dark ballot clear"—was conclusively proven to have been done "*knowingly and arbitrarily.*"

The Board of Examiners held seven Schools of Instruction, for the purpose of securing qualified Grand Lecturers. Of the thirty-seven examined, twenty-four were successful.

All U. D. Chapters were given instruction by the Grand Examiners.

The Grand Lecturers held 215 Schools of Instruction. Through these 3336 officers of 598 Chapters received complete and accurate instruction in the work.

This work is carefully guarded; the seven copies are held by the Grand Examining Board, and are not to be duplicated in any form. The Grand Matron loaned one copy to the Chairman of Board of Control of Massachusetts. It was safely returned.

One hundred and eighty visits were made by the Grand Matron, one hundred twenty-five of which were inspections, and nineteen were installations.

In her visitings, outside of Chicago, 10,760 miles were traveled, and the duties of her office necessitated 2450 letters.

Of the Home at Macon, she said: "How can I make life yield its fullest and best? In a single word, it is *service*—not self, but the other self. It is not in our power to replace the absent ones to the dear Sisters in our home, but we can provide shelter, food and raiment. 'God bless our Home.'"

The Bank Committee accumulated funds through a brilliant ball, and a theater week. These provided social enjoyments, while the money thus gained added greatly to the Home Fund.

Grand Representatives to and from forty-nine Grand Jurisdictions were appointed. Sister Mabel Boyd Seymour has the honor of representing Illinois in California.

Decisions rendered were approved. Wherever possible a decided "Yes" or "No" was definitely given.

In conclusion, the reception tendered her and her associate Grand Officers by her "Home Chapter," was described with grateful pride. Handsome souvenirs in sepia tones with her photo and an original poem, written especially for the occasion and dedicated to her, was presented to all. Over 700 guests participated in a banquet, unexcelled in culinary art and faultless service. An elaborate electrolier was presented her, besides many flowers and personal gifts.

The poem and photo appear in the Proceedings, and gazing thereon we can but say: "Her face is the index of her soul." Each arduous task stimulated to greater effort.

No one is forgotten in her generous measure of praise and thanks. We cull this closing thought—a veritable gem: "The fraternal friendships formed are treasures in the bank of credit, that supplies confidence, counsel, sympathy, help and love."

A clean-cut picture of D. John Forbes, Grand Patron, accompanied his address. We give it careful inspection. 'Tis a student, mature in thought and action. His address confirmed our decision. To quote: "During the year just closing, we have seen days of rain and days of sunshine, yet the Star in the East has shone all the time, and He whose star it is, has helped and cherished us."

In his eulogy of his Grand Matron he reveals himself; of a keen, discerning mind, with the refined nature that understands the nobility in others, and that highly developed appreciative sense that detects the generous quality, and, in all phases of life, maintains the same standards of thought and life.

He speaks modestly of his work, of instituting twenty-nine Chapters. Different Chapters were invited to exemplify the work. Once he was assisted by Past Matrons and Past Patrons of Cook County; at another time by past presiding officers of Central City.

A vast amount of labor is required to properly launch a new Chapter on the sea of prosperity, yet twenty-one were sent forth after personal institution by the Grand Patron.

He deemed it a pleasure to visit the Chapters, and his correspondence was "welcome and answered with delight."

Public acknowledgment and thanks were expressed to all and sundry, especially to his own, who received him with a reception and royal gifts.

In closing: "Deal justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with thy God. So live each one."

The report of the Grand Secretary, Past Grand Matron, Sister Kenner, consisted of twenty-two pages. She reported: Number of Charters

granted, 27; defunct Chapters, 2; delinquent Chapters, 3; dispensations for the formation of new Chapters, 29; Grand Chapter dimitts, 29; from Brother Wood, Past Grand Patron of California, percentage of Relief Fund returned, \$267.02; membership *to date*, 55,860; number of Chapters, 572; net gain in membership for the year, 4949.

Golden Rod Chapter, No. 205, Chicago, holds the banner for numbers—622 members. Six Chapters have over 500 members each.

We have especially enjoyed the Grand Secretary's newsy "Notes by the Wayside," and were glad to meet her and personally tell her so.

The Grand Treasurer, Sister Heath, presented a detailed account, showing the total assets of Grand Chapter to be \$23,810.94.

All distinguished guests were honored by the usual courtesies from the East, with the attending Grand Honors.

Sister Wiley, Grand Matron of Iowa; Sister Krebs, Past Grand Matron of California; Brother Hughes, Past Grand Patron of Iowa, and Sister Boomer, Past Grand Matron of New Mexico, were among the number of honored ones.

Sister Lorraine J. Pitkin, R. W. Grand Secretary of General Grand Chapter and Past Grand Matron of Illinois, and nineteen other Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons were also escorted East and given the usual recognition, and a royal welcome by Sister Pitkin.

An excellent report of the Home Board was presented. During the past year, additions had been made to the building, costing \$16,178, of which \$6000 was paid. The frontispiece gives views of the Home in 1909, and after the addition in 1910.

Thirty-two inmates enjoyed beautiful rooms furnished by the different Chapters. Every possible want seemed to have been anticipated. Brother and Sister Moreland had the care of the Home, and they had offered themselves physically and mentally for its welfare. Sister Inghram, Past Grand Matron, is President of the Home Board. She loves this work and gives her best to the cause. It was our pleasure to hear her good heart to heart talk on the occasion of the Grand Officers' visit to Mate L. Chester Chapter.

The dedication of the addition to the Home brought together an assemblage of 500 members of the O. E. S. The ceremonies closed with "Home, Sweet Home," and the repetition in concert of the Mizpah meaning: "The Lord watch between thee and me while we are absent from one another."

"Days for deeds are few, my sister,
Then to-day fulfill your vow;
If you mean to help another,
Do not dream it, do it now."

The Home Fund received during the year from all sources was \$13,964.97. The proceeds of the Home Farm were \$968.61—a fine showing. The disbursements for maintenance amounted to \$6923.03.

Many Chapters keep a Home Bank, in which voluntary contributions are placed each meeting night. It was a pleasure and honor for us to be permitted to join the line of march and drop in our mite, while visiting a Chicago Chapter.

The voluntary contributions thus obtained aggregated over \$1100 last year. "Gathering here a little and there a little, we may provide for the infirmities of age."

Charters were granted to twenty-nine Chapters. The U. D. Worthy Matrons and Worthy Patrons were installed by the Grand Patron, presented their Charters, and graciously placed under the tender care of the Grand Matron.

Telegrams of greeting were exchanged with the Grand Chapter of Wisconsin.

The report of the Obituary Committee was adopted, and the "Service of the Star" was used in their Memorial Ceremonies. This service includes the poem, "The Reaper and the Flowers," adapted by a re-wording of lines, to admit the mention of the emblematic colors. The line, "And the golden chain was severed," added to each stanza, and at the close the following:

"Let us drape the altar gently
For the loved ones who have gone;
Let us bow in supplication
As we say, 'Thy will be done.'"

The flowers are placed and the solo follows.

The Reaper has indeed been busy—463 had he bound in his sheaves for the Lord of Paradise.

"Then let our trembling souls be still,
Thy purpose though we may not see,
We'll wait thy wise and holy will;
All must be well, since ruled by Thee,"

Election.—Twelve tellers and fifteen collectors were appointed. We noted that all candidates were "suggested." Six suggestions for Associate Grand Patron, and twenty-five for Associate Grand Conductress. The Home Board of five had six suggestions to choose from.

The interspersing of vocal solos, quartettes, etc., during the session, was a delightful innovation.

The evenings of the session were grand beyond description. A reception to the members of the Order occupied the first evening of Grand Chapter.

The electric display and hall decorations were magnificent. High in the East, the flag in electric splendor, beneath it the word Illinois blazed forth, and below both shone the emblematic star—a marvel of electric skill.

The Grand Officers entered their receiving line during a selection by the mandolin and harp orchestra. Beautiful gowns and sweet music made the scene complete.

Maple Chapter Drill Corps, dressed in white and carrying wands tipped with roses, formed a floral arch in the East, under which the Grand Matron, Grand Patron and Grand Secretary were escorted to the East.

The Corps then performed beautiful, intricate movements as they formed the letters of Maple. Filing past the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Maple Chapter, they deposited their roses in two baskets; these were presented by them to the Grand Matron and Grand Patron.

An original poem was recited by the Grand Secretary, who is a member of Maple Chapter. The signs and passes were given as each star officer stood successively under the arched wands of the Conductresses; later they knelt in the form of a star as the poem suggested; the whole was an effective, beautiful feature. Munificent gifts to the Grand Officers attested the love and admiration of their many friends.

On the second evening, an immense audience witnessed the exemplification of an Official Visit of the Grand Matron, by a selected corps of officers, six of whom were Grand Lecturers. Sister Gannett, the Worthy Matron, gave as fine a welcome as had ever been heard, and all officers did faultless work. The instruction and inspiration gained by observing the best can well be imagined.

The officers were installed by Sister Brown, Past Grand Matron and a most intimate friend of the incoming Grand Matron. Sister Huehl was installed as a member of the Board of Grand Examiners.

Grand Matron, Sister Inez J. Bender's installation speech was permeated and crowned with love and loyalty. This was still her theme in the beautiful address your correspondent was privileged to enjoy, at Mate L. Chester Chapter, on the eve of June 19, 1911.

It has never been our lot to either see or read of as many rich, varied and beautiful tokens of love being given to *any* Grand Officers, as were recorded as being received at this time; they seemed endless—we trust they will always bring happy memories.

A beautiful closing marked the end of this extraordinary Grand Chapter Session. We predict for them many more.

The Fraternal Correspondent was thorough and painstaking, giving credit where deserved, and overlooking none. We read, with pleasure, the generous recognition of California for the year 1909.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Iniz J. Bender, 846 W. Macon St., Decatur, Ill.

Grand Patron—Madison Brower, 6832 Wayne Ave., Chicago.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Nettie C. Kenner, 5015 Wabash Ave., Chicago.

INDIANA.

Thirty-sixth Annual Session. Indianapolis, April 27, 28, 1910.

"Land of meadows! where the flowers
On their dials count the hours,
And the lowland landscape breaks
Into little sylvan lakes
Garlanded with shrub and tree."

Sister Louise Decker, Grand Matron, had the happy honor of opening Grand Chapter in the Auditorium of the recently completed magnificent Masonic Temple. All officers were present except Grand Martha, Sister Moffet, who had answered the call to join the Grand Chapter above.

Two Stars of the first magnitude, Sister Nettie Ransford, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Willis D. Engle, Worthy Associate Grand Patron, (now Most Worthy Grand Patron), were introduced from the East and given Grand Honors.

Similar courtesies were extended to Sister Krebs, Past Grand Matron of California, and twenty Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Indiana, and the Grand Representatives.

Buoyed by the hearty co-operation of her Grand Officers, Sister Decker's year of service had been one of continued activity and marked success. Thoroughly imbued with the principles of the Order, her constant aim had been to uplift and inspire. True friendship refines: "One strong, unselfish soul in every community would redeem the world."

In Memoriam:

"Another Star 'neath Time's horizon dropped
To gleam o'er unknown lands and seas."

"These severe afflictions not from the ground arise
Ofttimes celestial benedictions assume this dark disguise."

Fraternal circulars of greeting were sent to every Chapter, producing a unity of action and feeling of harmony.

On entering upon her duties, the Grand Matron's circular was a pleasant means for introduction of her aims and hopes. At the holiday season she wrote: "There is gladness in remembrance, and it is only in doing for others that we find the greatest happiness—for therein we are following the footsteps of Him whose birthday we observe."

"While in the midst of Christmas festivities, let us not forget that the year will soon be past, and that—

'With reverent heart we turn anew
An untouched page of time.
Then, ere we mar its surface pure,—
Ere we begin anew,
'Tis well that o'er our last year's work
We take a short review.'

"Let us resolve that—

'By God's own grace
That we will do our best
To keep life's record clean and pure
And trust Him for the rest.'"

The establishment of an Eastern Star Masonic Home is the aim and object of ambition in Indiana. A circular letter urged on all the need—

"Sister, Brother, would you do your duty,
Would you lend a helping hand
To erect a monument of beauty,
Make our Order noble, grand?"

This great project is well under way. During the past year \$2107.94 was added to the fund. The organization of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Eastern Star Home is under State protection and has assets in cash and mortgages to the amount of \$7139.89.

The thirty-six decisions, thirty dispensations, 1328 letters, and various recommendations reported form part of the resumé of the Grand Matron's manifold duties; while her official visits, elections and installations held numbered 142, and required 10,576 miles of travel.

Many pleasant invitations to functions, and the friendships gained were happy recollections.

We note with pleasure that she assisted in the restoration of three Chapters, and recommended encouragement and assistance in the resurrection of others.

In accordance with instructions at the last Grand Chapter Session, she sent a communication to the Masonic Grand Lodge, F. & A. M., asking that a Special Representative of Grand Chapter be given fifteen minutes' time to speak on the question of an Eastern Star Home, naming Brother Zoercher as the Representative.

The request was granted, with the following results: A reply to her communication was received from the Committee on Ways and Means of Grand Lodge, informing her that Brother Zoercher had been permitted to fulfill the mission, and that the Committee reported:

"We believe that now is the time, and this is the place for the Grand Lodge representatives of 53,000 Hoosier Masons to declare themselves in favor of such an institution, and recommend:

"First. That this Grand Lodge declares in favor of providing a Home for Dependent Masons, Widows and Orphans;

"Second. That the incoming Grand Master appoint a committee of three, who are in sympathy with the movement, who shall formulate, and recommend plans for providing funds, and the execution of the wish;

"Third. That the Order of the Indiana Eastern Star be commended for their endeavors, and be granted their request (soliciting voluntary contributions of \$1.00 each from the Masons of Indiana), provided that Grand Lodge has the privilege at its next session to proceed with or without the O. E. S. If without, all the money collected from the Masons is to pass into the hands of Grand Lodge."

The Grand Chapter felt elated over the victory, and Brother Zoercher's later report advised continuing the work, having a Special Representative before the next Grand Lodge, and for the Subordinate Chapters to work among the Masons to create a sentiment in favor of *one* Home, with different buildings for the old and young. This was adopted and a vote of thanks was sent to the Grand Lodge for its expressions in favor of a Home, a request embodied for Brother Zoercher to be heard again. This enthusiastic worker will win, we feel sure.

The Grand Patron, Brother Hale, had constituted seven Chartered Chapters, and instituted four; wisely refusing a Dispensation to form a Chapter where conditions would prevent strength.

Vacancies in presiding offices in U. D. Chapters were filled, and every known duty was accomplished. Harmony and progress seemed everywhere apparent.

The Grand Secretary reports showed comprehensive work in diverse channels.

Delinquent Chapters were severally reported; four had voluntarily surrendered their Charters, and two defunct Chapters had revived.

Six U. D. Chapters received their Charters and four were held under dispensation.

We have found seventy-five Chapters reported as numbering over one hundred members, and that fifty Chapters have less than forty members each.

Total membership, 23,908; a net gain of 299; balance in the Grand Treasurer, \$7530.22.

By the adoption of Resolutions of Instruction presented by Brother Engle, the addresses were placed in the hands of the proper committees at once.

Greetings were received from nine General Grand Chapter Officers; besides these, greetings of California and Florida Grand Chapters were sent by wire to Indiana; also sixty-six messages from other Grand Jurisdictions were received, including one from Brother Ferguson, Grand Patron of California.

There were 715 delegates present, representing 270 out of the 358 Chapters.

All delegates (3 per Chapter) receive \$1.25 per diem and three cents per mile one way. The pay roll aggregated \$3727.04.

Brother Zoereher's report of Special Representative to Grand Lodge occupied thirteen closely printed pages of most interesting reading.

By communicating with the Grand Chapters of the United States he learned that \$423,338.86 had been raised by the O. E. S. for the purpose of Homes for its dependents. The refining influence of the Missouri Masonic Home was shown while relating a pretty circumstance he saw there. An orphan girl's approaching nuptials brought gifts from the O. E. S. sisters, and in witnessing the reception of these gifts by the prospective bride, he had been given ample evidence of the sweet ideals taught at the Home. Had all the Masons of Indiana responded to the O. E. S. request of \$1.00 per capita, \$75,000 would have been raised toward the great project in that State.

A report on Fraternal Correspondence, consisting of fifty-six pages, devoted to the review of fifty-one sessions of forty-five Grand Chapters, was presented by Sister Pauline Summers, Past Grand Matron; she wished she could have been Correspondent *before* being Grand Matron, as so much that is helpful is gleaned. One page of review is devoted to California's Session of 1909.

Sister Krebs of California addressed the Grand Chapter; as also did Sister Atwood, Past Matron of Acacia Chapter, Michigan.

Queen Esther Chapter of Indianapolis, the banner Chapter, had 405 members; its Girls' Club prepared stenographic copies of the Constitution and By-Laws of Grand Chapter, gratis, presented their favorites with bouquets, and "did things" generally. We were strongly reminded of the helpfulness of the A. B. K.'s of Acacia Chapter, Los Angeles, California.

Election of officers was held the first day of the session. The Grand Matron presided; she appointed two sets of tellers of six each. These *collected* the ballots.

Promotion is noted: Grand Adah became Associate Grand Conductress, and the Grand Marshal was elected Associate Grand Patron. We have enjoyed their portraits in the Proceedings.

An informal reception was held in the evening, in the Social Rooms of the Masonic Temple by the local Chapters.

During the first day's session, twelve presentations had brightened but lengthened the session, accordingly, Brother Engle presented a resolution restricting this beautiful order of business(?). Gifts, flowers and the accompanying words of praise and love, will follow the installation of Grand Officers. This was adopted, but we noticed that gifts continued until twenty had been presented and appropriately received.

Many more gifts marked the closing of the installation ceremonies, and Grand Chapter.

Thirty-seventh Annual Session. Indianapolis, April 26, 27, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Blanche Regell, Fowler.

Grand Patron—Benjamin F. Tolle, Indianapolis.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Nettie Ransford, Indianapolis.

Fraternal Correspondent—Miss Louise Decker, Noblesville.

IOWA.

Thirty-third Annual Session. Boone, September 26, 27, 1910.

"The sweetest lives are those to duty wed,

Whose deeds both great and small

Are close-knit strands of an unbroken thread

Where love ennobles all."

—Selected by Jennie A. Eulo.

Civic pride and loyal respect for the Order of the Eastern Star was proclaimed by every floating color and shining star with which the decorated city of Boone welcomed the members of the Grand Chapter.

For two days previous to the Grand Session, autos were kept busy conveying a constant crowd of visitors to the Eastern Star Home, near the city. All were warmly welcomed by the Matron, Sister Hall, and her Home family. The spirit of helpfulness and fraternity engendered by this visit will long be fostered, we feel confident.

Magi Chapter, of Boone, deserves special mention; though a small Chapter, they entertained the Grand Chapter members and visitors to a banquet the first evening, and to a reception on the second evening of the week.

The banquet tables, arranged in the form of an immense star, were decorated accordingly, each point having its color scheme in flowers, candles, etc. The reception was a happy get-together function, with music and dainty refreshments.

Promptly at 9:00 o'clock A. M., the Grand Chapter Session opened for business, with its Grand Matron, Sister Maggie Wiley, presiding.

In her welcome address, Sister Crooks gave grateful acknowledgment to the Hand which had guided during the years past and would continue to lead them on; and trusted that Divine power for good would be in and through all their deliberations.

Appreciation for this most cordal welcome was voiced by the Grand Matron.

Among the many distinguished guests and Past Grand Officers of Iowa, we note with pleasure the names of Sister Jennie E. Matthews, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Sister Jennie A. Rule, Past Grand Matron, who endeared themselves to us while in Los Angeles; also Sister Lorraine J. Pitkin, Right Worthy Grand Secretary, and our Sister Abbie E. Krebs, Past Grand Matron, both of whom we claim as friends. We also add the name of Sister Amos, Past Grand Matron, and our Grand Representative. We have not forgotten her telegram to our Grand Chapter when in Session: "Greetings! Proud to be your Representative."

All of the above and many others were given Grand Honors, also the twelve Deputies, the great working band of Iowa's Grand Chapter. Their honors are earned; two hundred eighty-seven Chapters were visited by them, an average of twenty-four each.

The address of the Grand Matron showed a fruitful, busy year. She had constituted six Chapters, and instituted seven; issued forty dispensations, and made sixty visits.

Three Grand Chapter Sessions of Sister Jurisdictions were visited, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Nebraska; also the School of Instruction at Boone, at which time she visited the Eastern Star Home.

Her recommendations and decisions were brought before Grand Chapter for ratification, and generally adopted.

From the varied experiences gained by her long service in the Order she had been led to see and feel, that the Order is bringing mankind closer in the promotion of peace and good will.

"We never see the fruit of all the seed we sow,
'Tis only our part to patiently turn the sod,
We plant, another reaps, but the increase comes from God."

Unusual mental power, combined with a strong moral character, is shown in every paragraph of the address of the Grand Patron, Brother E. M. Willard, which comprises over eleven pages of the report. It is helpful, hopeful, instructive, and admonitory,—every phase of the work receiving careful consideration. We give epitomized thoughts selected:

"Utilize the passing moment; strive for all things that are good and needful; love for charity and desire to assist are the greatest tenets of the Order; let no indiscretion of ours bring disgrace. Selfishness is the bane of society. Selfish ambitions and methods often used in conventions are disgraceful. Do you believe in electioneering? Eliminate this system. Let the Order rise in honor, integrity and nobleness. The Deputy Grand Matron, like the mother, solves the difficult problem and points the mistakes; in all things zealous, for your Chapter's good. Live the principles, else for what is our Order. Every right action and true thought sets the seal of its beauty on person and face."

He constituted two Chapters; found harmony prevailing, and earnest work, and predicted strong, durable links were thereby added to the great golden chain. Eight Chapters were visited, and two Grand Chapters,—Nebraska and Kansas; he also visited the Eastern Star Home, and held two meetings there.

The much-needed addition had been agreed upon, specifications and plans drawn and bids called for; he recommended immediate action by Grand Chapter. In urging the matter he said:

"This Home, in the midst of an ever-surging ocean of human suffering and sorrow, is but a little rock to which the helpless may cling, but through the hearty co-operation, which I am sure your humanity will prompt, this rock may be enlarged and beautified, until it will arouse the loving admiration of the whole people of our State."

He desired that the Jurisprudence Committee be composed of all the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons they, like the balance wheel of the watch, would, by their experience and wise legislation, act as the balance, scrutinizing and sagaciously considering all questions referred to them.

The above was referred back to the Grand Chapter for future action.

Neither cold nor blizzard daunted the Board of Custodians in their efforts to hold the Examination of Deputies as scheduled. Delayed trains and mercury 20 degrees below, with the hotels suffering from a coal famine, gave a dreary combination, yet they pressed onward and did their duty. This is the pluck of the Hawkeyes! Your correspondent claims Iowa as a birthright, as it was the home of her childhood and youth; their account thrills her with happy pride.

A Chapter of Sorrow was held in memory of the departed; all Grand Officers wore black and white stoles. The Grand Chaplain's address was a loving message to the living. Among those named whom death had claimed were our Past Associate Grand Matron, Sister Carrie A. Kingsley, and Past Associate Grand Patron, Martin J. Wright, the father of our present Associate Grand Matron of California.

The closing message: "As we go forth from this service to-day, may we carry with us the message of the Nautilus, so beautifully referred to by the poet,—

"Build thee more stately mansions, O, my soul,
As the swift seasons roll!
Leave thy low-vaulted past!
Let each new temple nobler than the last,
Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast,
Till thou at length art free,
Leaving thine outgrown shell by life's unresting sea."

The Grand Chapter of California, through its Correspondent, wishes to express deep sympathy to the officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Iowa, in the great loss they have sustained.

One look at the portrait of your late Worthy Grand Patron, Brother D. W. Clement, is sufficient to know that he was a man of parts, generous and kind. May his influence long live among you.

Executive, as well as clerical ability, is evidenced in the comprehensive report of the Grand Secretary, Sister Jackson. May she live to serve the Grand Chapter twice seventeen years, and then some.

We were glad to learn of the Achoth Sorority, which has as its chief object, "Making university life pleasant to Eastern Star Girls." Miss

Clara Slavata, president of the Sorority at Iowa City, will furnish further information, if addressed.

The Grand Secretary gave itemized and statistical tabulation of interest.

From these we learn that the total membership was 30,410; number of Chapters, 383; net gain in membership, 1690; banner Chapter, Waterloo, No. 128, with 516 members and 85 initiates; one Chapter surrendered its Charter for "lack of interest."

The Grand Treasurer, Sister Webster, reported a balance of \$28,402.53 in the General Fund, and \$6866.08 in the Home Fund.

The Home Board, through the Treasurer, Brother Meredith, and the Secretary, Sister Jennie A. Rule, gave a full accounting of condition and finances.

There were fourteen adults and three children; the cost of their maintenance was \$5,508, exclusive of mortgage and interest, or an average of \$324 per capita. Pretty good, Brother Meredith.

Several difficulties were adjusted by the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, in all cases the action of the Grand Matron was sustained.

The total of mileage and per diem was \$4007.

Decisions rendered and approved:

A meeting is legal without a Master Mason in the chair of Worthy Patron, unless degrees are to be conferred.

The voting sign of the Order adopted by the General Grand Chapter in 1907 is the uplifted right hand.

A young lady who petitions the O. E. S. through her own father's Masonic standing, though legally adopted, is eligible to the degrees. She would, at the time of her father's death, inherit his property, and is eligible through him.

It is not proper or lawful to obligate candidates on Ritual instead of Bible, yet the candidate, being an innocent participant, would not have her membership jeopardized thereby.

Associate Matrons of the Chapters do not have a vote in Grand Chapter.

Proxies may be sent by either Matron or Patron; but care as to filling out the same is a most necessary adjunct; one hundred twenty-one votes were lost because of errors found by the Credential Committee.

Four hundred and eighty-six dollars and eleven cents was received from Past Grand Patron Wood of California, the unused percentage of Relief Fund sent in 1906. This was placed in the Home Fund.

Past Grand Matron jewels are to be purchased for all Past Grands since the organization of Grand Chapter; said jewels are to cost \$50 each.

One hundred dollars was allowed the Grand Matron to defray her expenses to the Triennial Assembly of General Grand Chapter in November, 1910.

Certificates of Good Standing may be issued for the period of sixty days, the membership of the applicant being retained during the interim by the issuing Chapter. Such a certificate may be renewed upon new application.

Salaries: Grand Matron, \$350; Grand Treasurer, \$75; Grand Secretary, \$1000, with office rent and clerk hire of \$200 additional. The actual expenses of each Deputy Grand Matron in attendance at Grand Chapter was paid, and a contingent fund of \$200 was allowed the Grand Matron, and \$100 for the Grand Patron's expenses during the coming year.

Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Mary B. Rathburn, writes an easy, enjoyable introduction to her report.

Brother Barber's Memorial Address, in Kentucky's Report, was well worth embodying. It will be enjoyed by many. Her review of California contains the following: "We note the Grand Patron's address comes first, also that he heads the list of Grand Officers. The Grand Matron, second. This in contradiction to the General Grand Chapter and other Grand Jurisdictions, in which the Grand Matron heads the list and is recognized as the highest officer in the Grand Chapter, and Worthy Matron in Subordinate Chapter."

Her review is impartial, yet rather brief, noting only the salient points.

Election.—The Grand Matron presided; two sets of tellers were appointed, numbering five each; an admirable plan. The results of the balloting showed Progression to be the motto.

Following the installation, "Iowa's Way," was apparent; complimentary speeches, gifts of jewelry, silver, cut glass and flowers were exchanged,—all indicative of their love for their "Guiding Stars."

Thirty-fourth Annual Session. Dubuque, October, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Emma Beckman, Grundy Center.

Acting Grand Patron—J. L. Rose, Waterloo.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Maria Jackson, Council Bluffs.

Fraternal Correspondence—Mrs. Fannie M. Sever, Stuart.

KANSAS.

Thirty-fourth Annual Session. Kansas City, May 11, 12, 1910.

"I swore the chastity to shield,
Of woman, true and tender;
A Mason's widow, wife or child,
His mother or sister undefiled;
Those pure and innocent ones, whose love
Makes a Mason's home like heaven above."

—J. E. Porter, *Grand Patron and Mayor*.

Daintily bound in white and gold, and embellished with the embossed emblem of the Eastern Star and the Sunflower, this report of the Proceedings of Grand Chapter presents a very inviting appearance. Within we find as a frontispiece an illustration of the Masonic Home at Wichita, with its chapel near,—a gentle, watchful sentinel.

Halftones are given of Sister Minnie J. Burke, Grand Matron, whom they "loved at first sight," and that of their Grand Patron, J. E. Humphry.

The session was held in the Scottish Rite Cathedral. The preceding evening was devoted to a reception given by Mendias Chapter, assisted by Ivanhoe Commandery, K. T.; there were more than fifty Present and Past Grand Officers in the receiving line.

The opening of Grand Chapter by prayer, song and proclamation being completed, the morning session was given entirely to welcomes, responses and presentations of gifts and flowers; all these combined in the brilliant introduction to Grand Chapter labors.

Being centrally located and a favorite Grand Jurisdiction, apparently, it was honored by many distinguished guests; six General Grand Chapter Officers; from Missouri, four; Oklahoma, four; Indiana, two; Iowa, one; Wisconsin, one, and California, one, beside twenty-seven Past Grand Officers of their own and forty-seven Grand Representatives. Quite a galaxy!

From the sixteen addresses, we submit a very few lines: Grand Matron: "We have heard that no memory is more lasting than the welcome which a guest receives." The Mayor had just presented her with the key of the city.

Grand Patron, "A fleeting glance over the past will convince any of us, that it is determination and not circumstance that is the foundation to our success. Only by these frequent meetings, each, with one determined purpose, and ceaseless co-operation of every individual, can the Order expect to reach the climax of success."

The future is rich with its great opportunities; if we fail to give the best that is in us, we are a hindrance to the cause. Who would willingly fill the latter role?

The Grand Matron stated that the honor and inspiration of the presence of the distinguished guests was appreciated. Among those attending the Grand Session were, Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron; Sister Miller, Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron; Sister Pitkin, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Right Worthy Grand Secretary; Sister Ransford, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Brother Kuhn, Past Most Worthy Grand Patron; also three Grand Matrons and three Grand Patrons.

The Chapters were flourishing numerically and gaining in wisdom; she emphasized the commandment, "That we love one another."

"In Memoriam" was observed as part of her address. The loss of Past Grand Patron, Albert Sarback of Kansas, and of Worthy Grand Martha, Mary Pinkney Ouzts, were especially mentioned. Several Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions had answered the last call, as well as 171 of their own dear ones.

A special Memorial Ceremony was given, consisting of appropriate poems and emblematic flowers and music. The whole was printed in the Proceedings.

She travelled 7663 miles, visited 109 Chapters, wrote 2410 letters, and 279 greetings, appointed ten Grand Representatives, issued eight commissions, made eight recommendations and seventeen decisions, answered numerous questions decided by law, and revived two Chapters. The Grand Matron's expenses—\$253.39.

The year had been a busy one,—full of care and responsibility, interspersed with joy and pleasure.

The welfare of the Eastern Star of Kansas was the purpose that actuated the Grand Patron at all times. A detailed account was given of the institution of twelve new Chapters; he credits their formation, largely, to the active interest on the part of Masonic brethren. Twelve Chapters were visited.

He arrested a Charter, because the existing conditions in the Chapter were inimical to the welfare and reputation of the Order.

A recess was taken that all might enjoy a ride over the city as guests of the Commercial Club of Kansas City.

The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer are both Past Grand Matrons and have served a long term of years. What valuable advice and assistance they can give to the incoming Grand Officers.

Disbursements to the amount of \$8678.33 was accounted for, leaving a balance in the Grand Treasury of \$4490.67. The membership is 20,919 in

338 Chapters; gain during year, 1029. Number of Chapters represented at Grand Chapter, 191.

Two years' delinquency in dues, unless remitted, will cause the Chapter's suspension, upon a notice of thirty days having been given acquainting said Chapter of the matter.

The privilege of visiting upon a dimit was limited to one year.

On June 24th, their Masonic Home Day, the sum of \$751.45 was donated; this will be applied toward the building and equipment of the Home Hospital.

The Masonic Home funds are materially increased by a yearly per capita tax of ten cents.

The Grand Matron and Grand Patron were both enthusiastic about the Home and its ideal surroundings. They visited it twice, the occasions being that of Easter, and the Children's Birthday Party; each were graphically described. Sister Sneddon, its Matron, is devotedly loved by the seventy-nine inmates, young and old. The expenses of the year were \$23,824.31.

The Grand Chapter adopted an annual pass word, that the time required for purging might be saved.

A Book of Instruction was adopted, ordered printed, and distributed to the Chapters.

Among the decisions rendered and adopted: A woman whose brother was carrying a dimit at the time of his death is eligible to receive the O. E. S. degrees. (Age of dimit was not given.)

Twelve U. D. Chapters were granted Charters.

Fourteen telegrams of greeting, and thirty-four letters were received from other Grand Jurisdictions.

A case of Appeal from Indefinite Suspension was taken; the charge against the appellant being that she had written anonymous letters, attacking the character of a candidate.

Because of violations of the Code of Procedure, and the taking the guilt for granted, the committee recommended the judgment reversed and the case remanded to the Chapter for a new trial in accordance with law. Adopted.

Six tellers had in charge the counting of the ballots cast in the Grand Chapter election. These officers performed that duty in the Reception room, the business of Grand Chapter awaiting their report, and the members being entertained by addresses in the meanwhile; Sister Krebs, among others, gave an interesting talk.

The result of Election: Bro. J. E. Porter, Associate Grand Patron, and Sister Bramwell of Ophel Chapter, Associate Grand Conductress.

These officers were both chosen from among the floor members. Elective officers progress.

Installation occupied the second evening of Grand Chapter. Nineteen bouquets, and the Past Grand Matron's jewel were presented and graciously received, also two leather bound membership certificates to the Missouri Grand Chapter. It was quite a flowery occasion, and closed with song and prayer.

Fraternal Correspondence was in the hands of a Committee who had refrained from criticism, and had aimed during the work of reviewing to glean briefly from each Grand Chapter that which would be of interest to the readers and impart the most knowledge. The review of California was presented by Brother Chas. W. Murphy; no specific data was given, and his report dealt in generalities and deductions. He thought the District Deputies put the Chapters on their mettle, and that Kansas could well afford to imitate in this respect, to the general Good of the Order. He had no doubt that Sister Johnson had accomplished all the tasks of a Grand Matron, judging from her report. Thank you, Brother Murphy, praise of our own tastes sweet.

Thirty-fifth Annual Session. Wichita, May, 1910.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Annie B. Morrish, Oberlin, Kansas.

Grand Patron—Dr. J. S. May, Hutchinson, Kansas.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Della Bennett, Hutchinson, Kansas.

Fraternal Correspondence Committee—Mrs. Minnie P. Burke, Fredonia; Mrs. Nellie Waldo, Ellis; Mr. Dale Morrison, Ellsworth.

KENTUCKY.

Eighth Annual Session. Frankfort, October 26, 27, 28, 1910.

The Grand Chapter session was held in the new Capitol; Governor Wilson welcomed the members, in behalf of the City and the State, in a happy, facetious manner.

It was a very enjoyable session, with no need of a Committee of Appeals and Grievances.

Sister Washburn, M. W. Grand Matron honored them by her presence, and the Past Grands lent willing aid.

Young and ambitious, this Grand Chapter had made rapid progress during the year, adding *thirty-nine* Chapters and *2029* members.

The various addresses of welcome and response were filled with hope and cheerful enthusiasm. The Grand Patron said: Our work is great, our mission, noble; our reward, secure. Let us go forward pledging anew our fealty to the principles of the Order, working quietly and happily in our field of labor, * * * remembering ever that

"Beyond the poet's sweet dream lies
The eternal epic of the man.
He wisest is, who only gives
True to himself, the best he can."

The Grand Matron's Report emphasized the growing, harmonious condition; all her official acts spelled "Progress."

Circular letters were sent to the Chapters detailing the manner of receiving donations for the O. E. S. Home Fund, and the proper disposal of the same; also the matter of deciding by vote of Chapter their desire as to an extra per capita tax of ten cents annually, the same to be placed in the O. E. S. Home Fund, each Chapter to send the result of its vote to the Grand Secretary.

Banks were bought by the Chapters, from the Grand Secretary, and voluntary contributions accepted; these were opened at Grand Chapter by a Committee on Banks. The Grand Matron issued a circular calling the Chapters attention to the test oath, signs, passes, etc., and instructed the Worthy Matrons, to lead in the repetition of these in concert once a month for the Good of the Order. All Chapters were asked to observe "Festal Day, August 31, as a day to be set aside for friendly intercourse; the method of procedure was left to them. Christmas Cards and Easter Greetings were used plentifully, and all seemed happy. Many decisions were rendered; these were embodied in a "Digest," which was appended to the Report. Among them we note:

A person must be a resident of the State one year before he or she is eligible to the Order of Eastern Star.

A maimed or deformed member is eligible to advancement in office.

Balloting on petitions must not be deferred until just before closing the Chapter, but must be taken up immediately after the report of the Committee on investigation.

The Grand Matron, Sister Romiser, granted fourteen waivers of jurisdiction, through consents secured by her; instituted five Chapters, installed officers in five Chapters, granted 29 dispensations, made 19 official visits, found two dormant Chapters, and had, through the Grand Secretary, requested them to send in their effects; she was made an Honorary Member of six Chapters.

While at La Grange, she visited the resting place of Robert Morris, Poet Laureate of Masonic Literature. The monument erected to his honor bears the Eastern Star emblem.

During the year, the Chapters lost thirty-two members by death; the Grand Secretary read the names of these and of the ten Grand Officers reported by other Grand Jurisdictions. A special Chapter of Sorrow was held to honor their memory.

Twenty-two Grand Representatives received appointment; California's Grand Matron, Sister Ada M. Dalton, represents Kentucky.

Special Grand Deputies were appointed to constitute Chapters, to hold elections and install officers, etc., as the necessity seemed to demand; also a Special Committee to secure space for O. E. S. publications in the Masonic Home Journal.

The Grand Patron, Brother Edgar Whittemore, did wonderful work in a quiet, modest manner,—judging from his Report. He wrote a convincing circular letter, calling the attention of the Masonic Fraternity to the Order of the Eastern Star. In this communication he tactfully extolled the Blue Lodge, then showed the extensions of Masonry in the form of Royal Arch, Council, Knights Templar, Scottish Rite, and now the Order of the Eastern Star. He reminded all Masons of their teachings of respect, loyalty and protection to the wives, widows, sisters, daughters and mothers of Masons, and to aid the destitute widows, helpless orphans of their Masonic brethern. He gave a history of the O. E. S.; its growth in the U. S., and its growth among them, and urged that they give to their women, who are by near ties connected with Masonry, this assistance and protection, by placing them in the position to enjoy the privileges of the Eastern Star.

It was an eloquent plea, and brought great results. Thirty-eight Chapters were instituted, and the good seed planted will continue to grow. We congratulate the Grand Chapter of Kentucky, and say to Bro. Whittemore, "Well done, good and faithful servant, thy reward shall follow thee."

Enthusiastically reminding Grand Chapter that the first Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home was established in Kentucky, and that there was also a Home for Infirm Masons, he pleaded for action in regards to an Eastern Star Home.

The receipt of a check for \$100.00 from Sister Gregory for this purpose, brought a rising vote of thanks.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Tinder, submitted her seventh annual report, consisting of twenty-four pages. All standing Committees found their labors lightened by her carefully arranged, itemized reports.

Total membership 7,153; Number of Chapters in good standing 140; net gain in membership 2029; grand total from banks, donations, and balance of last year's Home Fund \$1,017.72; amount in General Fund \$2,980.

Thirty-six U. D. Chapters received Charters, and the Representatives present, 37 in number, were installed.

Three defunct Chapters, two years delinquent in dues, had their Charters forfeited. One U. D. Chapter came under the ban by neglect as to dues and report.

Four Chapters, whose returns were late, gave satisfactory excuses, and the fine of \$5 each, was remitted.

The Special Committee on securing space in the Masonic Home Journal for the publication of Eastern Star news, was successful and a vote of thanks was sent to the Grand Master of Kentucky.

Telegrams of Greeting were exchanged with the Grand Chapter of Ohio, then in session at Columbus.

The sympathy of the Grand Chapter was extended to the Grand Secretary, in the loss of her mother, and to the absent sick officers.

The daughter of Robert Morris, and the son, who is a Past Grand Patron, were given welcome and the honors of the East.

The Resolution that a per capita tax of ten cents be levied annually, for the benefit of an Eastern Star Home Fund, was lost, as the vote of Chartered Chapters did not secure the necessary two-thirds majority. Voluntary contributions is more popular, it seems.

Election of officers showed a contented condition existing; the Grand Sentinel was elected to Grand Associate Patron, and Grand Ruth became Grand Associate Conductress. Installation was happily followed by the usual giving and receiving of testimonials of love.

The Grand Matron, Sister Robinson, received \$50.00 toward her expenses in attending the coming General Grand Chapter, and was instructed to present, at that time, a bouquet, to be tied with white ribbon with the word "Kentucky" printed thereon, to their beloved most worthy Grand Matron, Sister Washburn; also to wear and distribute a Kentucky badge.

Sister Katie I. Thomas, the Foreign Correspondent, reviewed 51 sessions of 44 Grand Chapters. Her comments are kindly given. California's Thirty-seventh Annual Session received one page; a good, short review.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Eunice Robinson, Box 434, Fulton.

Grand Patron—J. W. Blanton, Valley Station.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Josephine H. Tinder, 1116 Market Street, Louisville.

Foreign Correspondent—Mrs. Sarah H. Terry, Clarkson.

LOUISIANA.

Eleventh Annual Session. Alexandria, May 19, 20, 1910.

The great Masonic Order
Has nobly led the van
And we as true co-workers
Will lend a helping hand.

May every loyal member
Make this great work his own
And speed the just cause onward
For our Masonic Home.

—Mrs. E. C. Balmer, Louisiana.

Electa Chapter tendered the Grand Chapter a Reception, on the eve of its assemblage, in the Italian Hall of Hotel Bentley; the entertainment was in the form of a concert. Musical selections preceded the Opening of Grand Chapter in the Masonic Temple, and was given at opportune periods during the session.

Two distinguished guests, the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Washburn, and Sister Krebs, Past Grand Matron of California, attended this meeting and were accorded every possible honor and kind attention, they were made honorary members of the Grand Chapter, as well as the recipients of gifts and flowers.

Ten Grand Offices were filled *pro tem*; there were present eight Grand Officers, ten Past Grand Officers, eleven Grand Deputies, and 91 Representatives from 43 Chapters.

Interesting addresses and responses were given, all bubbling over with good will, confidence and hope, as an era of prosperity in Eastern Star growth, had filled all with enthusiasm.

The Grand Matron, Sister Balmer had given her best efforts to the performance of the duties of her office. Every Chapter was visited and a School of Instruction held in each; she divided the State into eleven

districts and appointed a Deputy for each, installed the officers of eight Chapters, appointed sixteen Grand Representatives, rendered fourteen decisions, granted eight dispensations, wrote many letters, and traveled 5,062 miles in the performance of official duties. Seven good recommendations were made, which were adopted.

The Grand Patron, Brother J. R. Matthew's address was an enthusiastic recital of the unprecedented growth and harmonious condition of the Order. Sixteen new links had been added with a gain therein of 383 members. He gave a full account of the institution of each, prophesied for all a glowing future, and recommended that Charters be granted them.

Sister Duncan, Grand Secretary, expressed a well-known truth when she said: "The suspension for non-payment of dues and the number who have taken demits and not re-affiliated is astonishingly large. The fault lies at the doors of our Matrons and Secretaries. The suspensions for non-payment of dues is largely due to their being permitted to accumulate.

"The resignations from the Order indicate, generally, dissatisfaction with the administration, and the Worthy Matrons should see to it, that the cause for that is removed."

The membership was 3,571, a gain of 721.

Cash in General Fund: \$1,293.61; in Relief Fund, \$1,230.20.

Charters were granted to sixteen U. D. Chapters, and a Committee appointed to prepare Forms of Ceremony for Institution and Constitution of Chapters.

The appointment of Grand Deputies by the Grand Matron was approved. A set of Grand Officers' jewels will be purchased, also badges for Grand Representatives.

No new Chapter can be instituted within thirty days of the annual session.

A petition was adopted, asking General Grand Chapter for permission to prepare *other* than the *given* ritual work for funeral services.

A committee was appointed to look to the Incorporation of Grand Chapter.

An Instruction Book is in the hands of a Committee on Work.

Resolutions were passed looking toward the establishment of a Masonic Home, and the assistance to be then given by the O. E. S., also to independent action if thought wise later.

Memorial services included the placing of a laurel wreath and the emblematic flowers upon the altar.

Electa Chapter exemplified the work, the stations being filled, mostly, by its Past Matrons. The excellent rendition, the music, and the ad-

dresses following, combined in making the evening one of profit and enjoyment.

The election was progressive, in part; the Associate Grand Patron and Associate Grand Conductress were chosen from the membership; they were not appointed officers, previous to election.

The Installing Officer was Sister Washburn, with Sister Krebs as Grand Marshal.

The kindly face of the M. W. Grand Matron, also that of the Grand Matron, with hat on, ready for O. E. S. work, as well as her co-worker, J. T. Charnley and the efficient Grand Secretary, Sister Duncan, appear at intervals, as one reads of the work accomplished during the Eleventh Annual Session.

The fraternal Correspondent, Sister Manhein presented her second report. Thought follows her reviews. In speaking of Grand Chapters in general she says she has found "too much Constitution and too little human interest."

Relative to the Amendment to enlarge the Grand Matron's authority, in California, she adds: "California is evidently not yet ripe for woman's rights." We extend thanks for the compliments given Past Grand Matron, Sister Johnson. She earned them.

The Fraternal Correspondent is filled with love for the Order.

Twelfth Annual Session. New Orleans, May 13, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Fannie B. Nelken, Natchitoches.

Grand Patron—John T. Charnley, Alexandria.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. M. E. Duncan, Alexandria.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. A. E. Manhein.

MAINE.

Eighteenth Annual Report. Portland, May 24, 25, 1910.

"The primal duties shine aloft like stars,
The Charities that soothe, and heal and bless,
Are scattered at the feet of man, like flowers."

The Grand Matron, Sister Cora M. Putnam with all the Grand Officers, except Grand Chaplain, ten Past Grand Matrons, eight Past Grand Patrons, the eleven District Deputy Grand Matrons and the Chapter

delegates assembled in the Masonic Temple at 10 o'clock, A. M., Tuesday, May 24th, and Grand Chapter was opened in ample form.

Two distinguished visitors, Sister Davis, Past Grand Matron of Connecticut and Brother Watts, Past Grand Patron of Massachusetts, were honored and cordially welcomed.

The address of the Grand Matron was a most beautiful expression of the ruling spirit that had actuated her wise administration; pleading fraternalism in the pursuit of duty and ideals, she said that the true optimist is led ever onward by visions of a glorious ideal, and, in the contemplation of the ideal, derives consolation amid the present imperfections.

Speaking of the use of the black ball, she thought trouble arose in the Order not from the use, but from the criticism of its use.

Four Schools of Instruction were held, attended by the officers of sixty-six Chapters. Eleven District Deputies inspected all except the thirty-six Chapters, which the Grand Matron visited officially. These visits were productive of much good.

All requests to receive or ballot or both, at a Special Meeting were refused, save one; the Grand Matron being present, learned it was best, as the candidate was called to the navy unexpectedly and would not have the privilege of joining except by special meeting.

New Year Greetings were sent, embodying a request that each Chapter set aside a small sum for charity, the interest of the same to be used for relief throughout the State of Maine, when needed.

"In Faith and Hope the world will disagree
But all mankind's concern is Charity,"
This New Year's thought was her greeting:—
"I asked the New Year for some motto sweet,
Some rule of life with which to guide my feet;
I asked and paused; he answered soft and low,
'God's will to know.'"

The Installation of the officers of three Chapters were described as pleasures; thirty-one Grand Representatives were appointed; waivers of jurisdiction were received and released.

The Most Worthy Grand Patron, William H. Norris, was asked to give waivers of jurisdiction over two would-be-candidates of Centerville, New Brunswick.

Death did not enter the ranks of Grand Chapter officers, but the Order in the State lost many. Fitting tribute was shown by all repeating the twenty-third Psalm.

Though "having vague conceptions of the requirements," the Grand Patron Brother Albert L. Atkins' recital of his official acts spoke for him.

He constituted three Chapters, instituted two, assisted in eight installations, rendered four decisions and visited many Chapters officially and socially.

The decisions: An unmarried lady who lives at home only a small part of the time, is under the jurisdiction of the Chapter where her parents reside. A deaf mute is not eligible. One who can not kneel is not eligible to membership. A refusal to waive jurisdiction over a candidate leaves the party in the precise condition as though the request had not been made. His idea of fraternity certainly undergoes a change.

By invitation of the Grand Matron, the youngest Chapter, Primrose, Number 131, with their full corps of officers, came 130 miles, brought their own paraphernalia and rendered the ritualistic work in a very commendable manner, giving pleasure and instruction to the Grand Chapter Session.

The Grand Secretary reported 16,112 members with a net increase of 866. Balance in Treasury of Grand Chapter, \$4,604.47; Charity Fund, \$2,636.45. The \$225.49 Cal. Relief Fund, returned, was ordered placed in the Charity Fund also. Golden Rod Chapter has 472 members,—the banner Chapter of Maine.

Communications from Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Pitkin, Right Worthy Grand Secretary and Sister Abbie E. Krebs, Past Grand Matron of California, were read; the 63 others from 37 Grand Jurisdictions, were placed on file. •

The closing thoughts of the Grand Secretary, Sister Hooper's Report we quote: "Earth knows no tragedy like the death of the soul's ideals; therefore we should fight for them with the full strength of our heart and soul, with an endeavor to become a living inspiration of everlasting Hope.

'Auspicious Hope! in thy sweet garden grow
Wreaths for each toil, a charm for every woe.' "

The Jurisprudence Committee reported the granting of one Charter, and the issuance of a duplicate Charter for one lost by fire.

The Grand Patron presided during election; six tellers were appointed. Henry Bennett was elected Associate Grand Patron and Mary B. Price, Associate Grand Conductress. Three Trustees of the Charity Fund, and a Finance Committee of three were also elected.

Sisters Leach and Somerville conducted the Installation, upon the request of the retiring Grand Matron.

The usual jewel of office was presented.

At the close of Grand Chapter a delightfully informal reception was held in Congress Square Hotel.

Fraternal Correspondence was given admirable attention by the Grand Secretary, Sister Hooper. Many thanks for the words in praise of Sister Krebs. We who know her, can assure you that she has few peers in the Eastern Star anywhere. Each word in her praise draws Maine closer to California.

Nineteenth Annual Session. Bangor, May, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Miss Edith A. Lenfest, Thomaston.

Grand Patron—Charles W. Carll, Cumberland Mills.

Grand Secretary and Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Annette H. Hooper, Biddeford.

MARYLAND.

We regret that the Proceedings of this Grand Chapter was not among our reviews.

By the inspection of other reports we found that they have a precious jewel which gives luster to their Grand Chapter, in the person of Brother Coombs, their Grand Secretary. His thirteen years of service has been termed a labor of love.

Their membership was found to be 2,187 in sixteen strong Chapters.

Past Most Worthy Grand Patron Williamson belongs to Maryland. This Grand Jurisdiction was found to be enjoying harmony.

The next Biennial Report will include the Session at Baltimore, in January, 1912.

"Little streams have flowers as many
Graceful, beautiful as any."

MASSACHUSETTS.

Thirty-fourth Annual Session. Boston, Massachusetts, May 12, 1910.

The biographical sketches of the Grand Matron and Grand Patron of 1909-10, and their accompanying photo-gravoures, make a very interesting introduction to the Proceedings.

When the Grand Officers were escorted into Ford Hall Chapter room, they found the Past Grand Matrons, Past Grand Patrons, Grand Deputy Matrons and Marshals seated in the East, the Grand Marshal having escorted them to this station, prior to the entrance of the Grand Chapter Officers.

After Opening, and roll call by the Credential Committee, the *nominations* for officers for the ensuing year were received. All welcomes were extended by the Grand Matron, Sister Emma I. Baker.

Her address was easy, yet indicative of reserve force and great mental poise. A few lines: "There are many interesting features connected with these annual gatherings of the Grand Chapter, but none more pleasing than the fraternal greetings, hand-clasps and other expressions of love and friendship, indulged in by our members. There is no mind so great, nor heart so brave and strong, as to be entirely indifferent to the good wishes of others."

She issued thirty-one dispensations relative to change in time on hour of meeting; appointed twelve Deputy Grand Matrons, and held a School of Instruction to prepare them for their work. Their submitted reports are interesting, showing uniformly creditable work in the Chapters, all of which were inspected. The Associate Grand Matron was Grand Deputy for forty Chapters.

The Grand Matron constituted seven Chapters; secured thirteen waivers of Jurisdiction; appointed twenty-five Grand Representatives; rendered three decisions, all of which were approved; traveled 6,062 miles and wrote 1,056 letters. Her time and energy had been given to the work.

Brother Alfred E. Wellington, Grand Patron, had also given valiant service. He instituted two Chapters; assisted at the constitution of seven; visited officially fifty-seven Chapters, and socially, sixty; assisted in fourteen Installations, and gave valuable advice to the Grand Matron.

From his address: "As the strength of a chain lies in its weakest link, the world at large is apt to judge our Order, by the character of any one of its members, therefore I admonish you to 'guard well your portals.'"

The Grand Secretary, Sister Isadore Forbes, Past Grand Matron, submitted her seventh and last Report, as she retired "on her honors," voluntarily, much to the regret of the Grand Chapter constituency. Her kind thoughtful mien looks good to us, we know Massachusetts has lost a most efficient, painstaking officer.

Membership: 16,315 in 121 Chapters; 1,650 initiated; 139 affiliated; 606 dimitted or suspended; largest Chapter 462; net gain 1,366.

The Return Relief Fund from Cal. \$273.35. Home Fund, \$11,000 with \$1,300 added during the year. General Fund, \$2,356.36.

The returns and dues were received from 119 Chapters, and the number of Grand Chapter votes was 792.

A most impressive Memorial service was rendered; the Grand Matron and Grand Patron gave addresses, the Grand Conductress draped the altar and the Grand Marshal deposited a memorial wreath thereon; the Lotus Quartet furnished the music.

The Grand Chapter approved the following decisions:

1. "A brother asks for, and receives his discharge from his Masonic Lodge. Can he retain his membership in the O. E. S., and is he eligible to the office of Patron?" Ans. "Yes, to the first part of question; see Ritual, Page 7, and No, to the last part; see Section 36 of the Constitution.

2. Is the mother of a legally adopted son, eligible to membership. Yes.

Fines approved: (1) The loss of two rituals, was punished by a fine on the Chapter of \$10; the initiation of a candidate, despite the refusal of a waiver of jurisdiction, occasioned a charge being brought by the offended Chapter, and (2) a fine of \$25.00 was imposed on the offending Chapter, in favor of the complainant. We hope the candidate appreciated it fully.

Twenty Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons had received jewels of office,—the expenditure was \$804.

A collection was taken during Grand Chapter for the benefit of the O. E. S. Home Fund, resulting in \$75.08. By vote, \$100 was taken from the Grand Treasury, to augment the above amount.

The Secret work in cipher is now replacing the work *in full*.

A proposed Constitution of the Grand Chapter was printed *in full* in the Annual Report.

A Board of Control exist in Massachusetts Order of Eastern Star, for the purpose of seeing that the work is properly exemplified.

The Order had no Grievances; this Committee submitted a report of commendation instead.

The counting of the ballots, etc., was in the hands of fifteen tellers; the result of the vote progressed the elective officers, and announced the election of Geo. F. Bradstreet, Associate Grand Patron; Carrie A. Cushing, Grand Secretary; and Eva C. Apted, one of the Deputies, as Associate Grand Conductress, with Sister Avery, Trustee of O. E. S. Home Fund, and Sister Baker, member of Board of Control.

The Grand Secretary's salary was fixed at \$1,000; the Grand Treasurer's, \$200, and \$100 was appropriated for the purchase of jewels for the retiring Grand Matron and Grand Patron.

No per diem or mileage is provided for; the expenses of the Grand Matron, as presented, were \$144.65; of the Grand Patron, \$125.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Miriam Watts, Past Grand Matron gives an unusually interesting introduction to her reviews of fifty sessions of forty-five Grand Jurisdictions. Chief facts of Cal.'s 1909 Session, are noted; she, as others, commented on the Grand Patron being the executive head of the Order.

Thirty-fifth Annual Session.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Lucy G. B. Colby, 9 Otis Place, Newburyport.

Grand Patron—Winfield F. Van Orman, Worcester.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Carrie A. Cushing, Winter Hill.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Emma I. Baker.

MICHIGAN.

Forty-fourth Annual Session. Lansing, October 12, 13, 1911.

I thought it only happened so;
But Time this truth has taught me,
No least thing from my life can go,
But something else is brought me.

Through the Report of the Proceedings of the Grand Chapter of Michigan for 1910, we were introduced, as it were, to eight of the bright stars who shed their luster over its affairs. On opening the volume, we gazed with interest on the pictures of the *present* guiding stars, Mrs. Lizzie I. Harrison, Grand Matron, and Mr. John Rowson, Grand Patron; then the brilliant star, Mrs. Emma Obocock, Right Worthy Grand Conductress appeared before us, full of happy courage and zeal. With increased interest the pages were turned, and we were rewarded by a view of the Grand Matron, Mrs. Clara E. C. Eldridge, presenting her address, in person, it would almost seem; then we looked into the pictured countenance of the Grand Patron, Robert A. Lenhardt, while the account of his stewardship awaited our approval. Closely following came the sweet faced Grand Secretary, Eva Sprague Goodrich, with reports in hand, and the Grand Treasurer, Jennie M. Newell, with her harvest of dollars; while Past Grand Matron, Franc E. Gardner, happily exhibited her gleamings for the Home.

The story of the year, completed, becomes history; guarding the past, we found the Senior Past Grand Patron, Crebillion Jacobs, a living exponent of the days that were, gazing with satisfaction over the great Eastern Star harvest the years have brought. In honoring him this grand Order honored themselves. May he long be spared them.

An elegantly appointed reception, the evening previous to Grand Chapter Session, was succeeded by a formal opening with all Grand Officers present.

The morning was devoted to welcomes and the bestowal of the courtesies of the East. Many greetings were read, among which those of the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron and Right Worthy Grand Secretary.

A brooch, representing Ruth the Gleaner, was presented to Grand Chapter, to be used, during the sessions, by Grand Ruth. The donor Mrs. Downey of Lansing was Ruth in Capae Chapter forty years ago, and dimitted because of home cares. Her love for the Order is thus evidenced.

Unusual power of expression, and strong individuality are shown throughout the Grand Matron's address.

An excerpt: "Fraternal love representing 'Man's humanity to man,' sovereignty above, equality here below, shall indeed stay and abide with us even unto the end, for it is a love that emanates from heaven itself born of the divine command to 'Love one Another.' 'For there is neither East nor West, border nor breed when two strong men stand face to face though they come from the ends of the earth.'"

"With reverent touch and low-bowed head
We make our record of the dead."

The O. E. S. in Michigan mourned the passing from their midst Grand Warder, two Past Grand Officers, and 453 other members. A memorial service was held, in which a poem composed by the Grand Secretary formed an integral part.

Six Chapters were Constituted during the year, and she was present at the institution of six new Chapters.

Three Chapters lost their all through fire.

Thirty-one Grand Representatives were appointed, among them Sister Appalona Frazer, twelve recommendations for appointment were sent to other Grand Patrons; one hundred and twenty-four dispensations were granted; one release of jurisdiction in favor of Ohio was given;

three County Organizations were affected, making thirty-one in the State; she attended thirteen of their meetings and deputized qualified officers to attend the others.

Sixty-six official visits were made; the officers of two Chapters were installed by her; five trips were taken for Conference Work, and two Home meetings attended.

By power in her vested, she officially declared Brother Crebillion Jacobs, oldest Past Vice-President of the Grand Lodge of Adoptive Masonry, to be entitled to recognition of this Grand Body as Senior Past Grand Patron, and recommended that a Past Grand Patron's Jewel be presented him. He was present and received all honors befitting; we are glad, for too oft, "Tardy fame finds the picture, the statue, and laurel crowns the head that heeds not."

Many questions answered and decisions rendered, added to her voluminous correspondence; among them we note:

Renewal of petition of a rejected candidate must be signed by the petitioner.

In the absence of a Patron, the preparation for the ballot is inspected by the Worthy Matron, only.

Chapter robes should not be worn in public.

The Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron exchange chairs when she invites him to preside.

Officers may elaborate the entrance march.

Members may be excused from balloting, and need not retire, but no motion to excuse from balloting is in order.

A Chapter ballots for a candidate, all balls are used; the Associate Matron and Worthy Matron inspect the ballot; the Worthy Matron destroys the ballot and they proceed as before until all have voted. The candidate is rejected. Is it a legal ballot? Answer, "Yes."

The Grand Matron recommended the compilation and issuance of a book of "Special Instruction;" that to the Marshal be restored the prerogative of introducing Grand Officers and visitors, also that the Chapters resume the custom of collecting a Pass.

Circular Letters were sent during the year, also Christmas Greetings: "While Thanksgiving rests on Plymouth Rock, Christmas rests on the Rock of Ages." Masonic Home Day was asked to be remembered,—the thought "Give and ye shall receive" was embodied.

At the time of the destruction of Masonic Home, by fire, assistance was urged: "Be your offering much or little, sanctified by love, it becomes noble and will bring its own rich reward."

Sister Gardner, President of the Home Board told of the fire, and of the kindness of Mr. Hanchett, President of the Street Car Co., who

tendered the free use of the Lakeside Club House, near by. The Board of the Home met and made necessary changes, costing \$1,500. It is still the Home for the 60 inmates. They are now awaiting the action of the Grand Lodge Committee. The total Hospital Fund was \$10,101.15.

Receipts from the sale of their "Memorial Service," amounting to \$15.80 was made the nucleus of a Memorial Fund.

A statement was made by the Grand Matron relative to the persistent refusal to grant "Petitions of Transfer."

Two members had moved from Richland to Lawton, and had been elected as members in Lawton Chapter, but the former Chapter would not complete the transfer. A personal visit was made, asking the Chapter to grant the dimit; they refused and quoted, the Grand Constitution as their authority.—"by majority vote."

She recommended that those words be stricken out and that the Chapter, in question, be instructed to grant Transfer Certificates to the brother and sister.

This was done. The Committee on Appeals and Grievances investigated thoroughly, and instructed the Grand Matron to arrest the Charter unless they issued said transfer certificates within 50 days.

The Grand Patron presented an expense account of \$83.98; he had instituted eight Chapters, accompanied the Grand Matron on ten visits made officially, attended five County Associations, and visited many Chapters socially.

The Report of the Grand Secretary dealing with—"bare facts, round numbers and hard cash," showed a membership of 45,483, with a net gain of 2,208; 3,648 had been initiated; 966 suspended; 493 affiliated and 645 dimitted; number of Chapters including U. D.'s, 366; number of Rituals sold to members, 406.

From the Grand Treasurer's Report: Cash on Hand, \$13,284.25. Invested, \$5,159.36; total in Hospital Fund, \$10,101.15.

An Amendment adopted unanimously, regulated Transfer Certificates. By it any member except the first three officers, is entitled to a dimit at any time, providing he is clear of indebtedness, and no charges are pending.

Resolution adopted: "Be it resolved; that in conferring the degrees of the Order, when the Worthy Patron, with the assistance of the Conductress, explains the signs of the several degrees, that she shall not use the veil."

The work was exemplified at an evening session by the officers of Grand Chapter. The Floral Work, as arranged and written by Sister Balmer, was given by Arbutus Chapter.

Election: A Chairman, ten tellers, and collectors assisted in the order of business. The result: Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer re-elected,—other elective officers promoted; the struggle for recognition was centered about offices of Associate Grand Patron, and Associate Grand Conductress; J. Douglas McKellar, and Melina Maxon, were the successful aspirants. The grand offices elective and appointive represented fourteen cities.

The Fraternal Correspondent has given California about 25 lines. (Such a small piece of pie.) Yes, Sister, "California is a large State," and our Grand Chapter Sessions are attended by at least 1500 members and visitors. The deliberations are exceedingly interesting; we would like the honor of your presence at our next session. We stand in the front ranks of Growth and Prosperity, and would have all know it.

Forty-fifth Annual Session. Jackson, October, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Lizzie Harrison, Saginaw, W. S.

Grand Patron—Mr. John Rowson, Grand Rapids.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Eva S. Goodrich, Ann Arbor.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Clara E. C. Eldredge, Adrian.

MINNESOTA.

Thirty-second Annual Session. St. Paul, May 11, 12, 1910.

"Hour by hour, like an opening flower,
Shall truth after truth expand;
The sun may grow pale, and the stars may fail,
But the purpose of God shall stand."

A reception, by the six local Chapters to the Grand Officers and delegates, was held on the evening prior to the Annual Session.

Sister Molyneaux opened Grand Chapter and extended the usual honors to several distinguished guests and the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Minnesota. Addresses of welcome and responses were hearty and full of interest.

The Grand Matron's address of fourteen pages was rewarded with a standing vote of thanks. In her introduction, the elucidation of Masonic symbols and the lessons taught were followed by carefully expressed admonitions received through the Eastern Star symbolism, the

two great fraternities marching side by side in the building of history and character.

With bowed heads, Grand Chapter listened to the roll of dear ones, now departed, and the tender tributes of love expressed.

During the Grand Matron's second year of service she had *revived* two old Chapters, giving them their old numbers; held ten District Schools, granted twenty-five dispensations, installed three Grand Officers and officiated as installing officer in four Chapters; rendered ten decisions, submitted six amendments to the Constitution, and made nine pertinent recommendations.

Her expenses as presented were \$377.52; she had traveled by rail 7,711 miles in the discharge of duty.

Good of the Order: "We are here to confer together, to legislate, and we are responsible for the condition in which we leave this Grand Chapter at the end of the session. We are responsible for the laws enacted; we are responsible for the Officers we elect.

The Associate Grand Patron is often chosen from the Teller's table, and sometimes the Associate Grand Conductress also. Future Grand Matrons, bear this in mind and appoint as tellers only those persons whose standing in their respective Chapters and in the community in which they live is known to you."

The Grand Patron, Brother Aldrich, reported the institutions of four Chapters. He feels assured that Masonic interest has been awakened through a circular letter sent to Lodges where no Chapters existed. His address conveyed two great thoughts—harmony and the duty of the brothers. He informed them that in order to do the best work as officers and members, there must be harmony in word, thought and action. "God is not to be found in the mightiest display of power if there be a lack of harmony.

It has been said that man is deeply indebted to woman: first for life, and second for making life worth living. The sisters of the Star are making Masonic life especially worth living, and the brothers can at least show their appreciation by their presence at the meetings of the Chapter."

It is the duty of Brother Masons to become members of the O. E. S.

"Visit the sick!" was the urgent appeal brought by the Grand Secretary, whose gentle, patient face especially attracts us, as we read her kind words. The members were reminded that the sympathy expressed by loving words, flowers sent to cheer the lonely hours of illness, and the sisterly and brotherly remembrance in the loss of friends, would help *them* to gain *their* entrance to the Grand Chapter above, more surely than all the beautiful floor work they would ever be able to do.

Membership, 13,829; number of Chapters represented, 155; votes in Grand Chapter, 279; initiated and affiliated, 1,244; dimitted, 472; stricken from the roll or suspended, 192; net gain for year, 409; number Chapters reported, 172. The Chapter conditions show a general gain in membership. The largest Chapter, Palestine, numbered 395 members.

The Grand Treasurer reported having received \$4,364.86 and paid out \$4,026.77; balance on hand, \$338.09.

The exemplification of the work by St. Paul Chapter was one of the enjoyable and instructive features of the session.

Charters were given to four new Chapters.

The Home Fund, \$9,000, is well invested, temporarily. A permanent membership on the Masonic Home Board was obtained, granting the naming of one member by Grand Chapter; cost of same, \$500.

Many amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws received final action and approval.

The following were adopted: "The petition of a Brother for the degrees must not be received, although he claims a residence within the Jurisdiction, whose wife and family, if he has any, are not residents therein. A person, male or female, who has no fixed or actual place of residence or domicile is not eligible for the degrees anywhere."

"Resolved, That the laws of this Grand Chapter be so amended, that in case of an emergency, the Worthy Grand Matron be empowered to change the place of meeting of this Grand Body from Minneapolis to St. Paul, or St. Paul to Minneapolis, as the case may be."

The Fraternal Correspondent's salary will be \$75 for the year 1910.

Election resulted in the promotion of all four elective progressive officers, the newly elected ones being Brother Nerbovig, Associate Grand Patron, and Sister Lillian Bell, Associate Grand Conductress.

The retiring Grand Matron gave an original poem, "The Mission of the Flower, as her response on receiving flowers and beautiful words in praise of her year's work.

After other floral presentations, Grand Chapter closed in full form.

Fraternal Correspondence, by the able Sister, Flora Adams Pattee, was a genuine pleasure to read.

California was given a generous, comprehensive review. We extend grateful thanks for the kind comments. Brother Frazer and Sister Johnson merited all that was said in their praise.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Love A. Braley.

Grand Patron—Malcolm J. Aldrich.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Mary C. Taylor, 3208 Aldrich Ave., S., Minneapolis.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Ida M. Brown.

MISSISSIPPI.

Fourth Annual Session. Gulfport, April 14, 15, 1910.

“God asks not, ‘To what sect did he belong,’
But, ‘Did he do right, or love the wrong?’”

The celebration of the fourth birthday of this Grand Chapter was a happy occasion, and one of general interest to the citizens of Gulfport. A public opening was held in the Methodist Church, and Grand Chapter received a welcome of rhetoric beauty seldom outclassed, by Mayor Foote, in behalf of “The peaceful and God-approved homes, the white-souled men and women of Gulfport, who, with one accord, bid you gracious and cordial welcome, and indulge the hope that however dismal may be the cloud's dark drapery, there will ever be, with the coming of each new born day, the soft, beneficent light of love and faith and charity shining through the purple dawn, from where is ever and ever the endless, fadeless Eastern Star.”

The Chapter of Gulfport added their welcome. Music took up the echo, and happy responses voiced the pride of the Grand Chapter, and their pleasure to be the recipients of the welcomes accorded. Benediction was pronounced and Grand Chapter repaired to Masonic Hall, opened the session and proceeded to business, with happy hopes for a prosperous session.

Seven offices were filled *pro tem*.

Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Sister Krebs, Past Grand Matron, of California, received Grand Honors; their own Past Grands who were in attendance received the courtesies due their exalted titles.

Greetings were read from the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar, King's Daughters, and the Daughters of the Confederacy.

High tribute was paid to the memory of their late Grand Treasurer, Sister Wettlin.

The Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home at Meridian received many donations and liberal offerings at Thanksgiving time. The annual custom was established by Sister Eaton through the medium of one of her helpful circular letters.

Grand Representatives were named for seventeen Grand Jurisdictions, and ten were commissioned to represent Mississippi; Charters for twelve Chapters were signed, nineteen dispensations were granted, fourteen decisions rendered, five installations of officers were enjoyed, and twenty-five Chapters visited officially. The severity of the winter and shortness of her term of office prevented her visiting all the Chapters, as planned.

She recommended the election or appointment of District Deputy Grand Matrons, to assist the Grand Matron, and that Grand Chapter adopt a design and price for Past Grand Matrons' and Past Grand Patrons' jewels, also that the Grand Secretary purchase them and have them ready for presentation each year. Adopted.

The Grand Matron wisely referred the following request to the decision of Grand Chapter: "Should we affiliate with New Jersey, when our Masonic brethren refuse to affiliate with New Jersey Masons on account of their recognizing a negro Masonic Lodge? No action was taken.

Brother J. D. Meadows, Grand Patron, said he had not been engaged to wreath the Order with immortelles, so presented a business paper accounting for his stewardship. He certainly needed no urging of "Speak up! 'spress yourself." Well-defined ideas as to obedience to law in establishing Chapters, proper Charter membership fee, the number of Charter members, and the granting of Charters were presented.

He recommended specific action by the Grand Chapter regarding the above, also that the institution ceremony and constitution of Chapters be given in definite form, and that the Grand Secretary have a printed supply of each. Grand Chapter of Kentucky had a good form for Constitution, and General Grand Chapter institution ceremony might be adopted, by little change, to their use.

During the year, ten dispensations for new Chapters were issued. Correspondence and procedure were given relative to the formation of a Chapter under dispensation, through his Grand Deputy. The sixty-five names on the petition and the twenty-five limit by law could not, it seems, be adjusted. His Deputy received their ultimatum, "all or none," and he accepted all. The Grand Patron resented the dictum of those seeking admission, so did not include a report of their institution, leaving Grand Chapter to act as judgment determined. A Charter was granted, but Grand Chapter put itself on record by the adoption of the following regulation: "The authority of the Grand Patron must be rigidly enforced hereafter."

Membership statistics: Total membership, 2,053; number initiated, 252; admitted and reinstated, 25; suspended, 105; dimitted, 26. Membership in U. D. Chapters, 222; number of delinquent Chapters, 7; number not reported, 10.

Balance cash on hand, General Fund, \$667.12; Masonic Fund, \$793.27.

Brother G. A. Wettlin, Grand Treasurer *pro tem.*, submitted the report.

The Trustees of the Masonic Home presented a full account of the Home conditions, and appended a complete list of the donations received from thirty-five Chapters. The cash received at the Thanksgiving offering was \$146.55, and over five pages devoted to donations of practical character, chiefly food and clothing.

Thirty-four children are enjoying the benefits of the Home and a school education.

The ritualistic work was exemplified by Coast Chapter in a highly pleasing manner. Their fancy march was especially beautiful.

Four tellers were appointed by the Grand Matron, and election resulted in the selection of Sister Van Slyke, our Worthy Correspondent, as Associate Grand Matron, and Brother McIntosh as Associate Grand Patron; Brother Wettlin received the office of Grand Treasurer.

Sister Washburn, M. W. Grand Matron, installed the Grand Officers, ably assisted by our Sister Krebs. The presentations of flowers were numerous. The retiring Grand Matron and Grand Patron received jewels of office.

Grand Chapter closed in due form.

The report of Fraternal Correspondence occupied thirty-nine closely filled pages, giving the reviews of thirty Grand Chapter Proceedings. We have enjoyed reading her synopses of the various transactions of other Grand Jurisdictions, but fail to find our beloved California.

Fifth Annual Session. New Albany, April, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Irene S. Eggleston, Lexington.

Grand Patron—H. D. Cudabac, Ocean Springs.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Mollie Allen, Booneville.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Myra Eaton, Hattiesburg.

MISSOURI.

Thirty-sixth Annual. St. Louis, September 29, 30, and October 1, 1910.

With all Grand Officers present, and two hundred and ninety delegates and representatives and many visitors adding their presence to the session, Grand Chapter was duly opened by the Grand Matron in Tuscan Masonic Temple at 10 o'clock A. M.

Sister Wellington, D. D. G. M. of the Thirty-third District, extended the welcome, accompanying her words with an emblematic bouquet, which she presented to Sister Emma Dale Scott, Grand Matron, saying:

"The blue is the color of the azure sky,
Beneath which true Adah pledged herself to die.
The yellow as golden grains of truth,
Gathered from the faithful gleaner, Ruth.
The white suggests a gem of purest ray serene,
Exemplified in the life of our noble Queen.
The green our living faith shall be,
In life, in death, through all eternity.
The red is of fervency a thought,
And here the lesson of charity is taught."

The Grand Matron's home Chapter brought a living fern as evidence of their "living, growing love for Sister Scott."

Thirty pages of the Proceedings are required to present the record of the labors of this indefatigable Grand Matron. One life germ we excerpt:

"As an Order, as a Chapter, as an individual, our influence is far reaching and should be for good."

In Memoriam of the departed of this and sister jurisdictions we copy the following:

"Every year the Father calleth
Some loved ones to endless rest;
And our hearts, though filled with anguish,
Can but cry: 'He knoweth best.'"

One feature of her year's work was the issuance of a circular letter conveying the following for the good of the Chapter: "Open your Chapter on time. Have no delinquent members. Conduct the business of your meetings according to parliamentary rules. Keep your books on a strict business basis. Strive for faultless Ritual work. Make the conferring of the degrees as beautiful and impressive as possible. Care for the sick. Contribute as liberally as you can to the Masonic Home. Cultivate the social feature of the Order. Exchange Chapter visits. Give your Worthy Grand Matron your hearty co-operation."

Among the official acts enumerated, we find she appointed 56 District Deputy Grand Matrons, 20 Grand Representatives; recommended the appointment of 15 to represent other Grand Jurisdictions near the Grand Chapter of Missouri; constituted four Chapters, and deputized sisters to constitute the other four; as proxy for the Grand Patron, instituted four Chapters, assisted by six Chapters; installed the officers in 18 Chapters; examined and corrected where necessary, the by-laws of 33 Chapters; granted 32 dispensations to elect out of time, 10 to install out of time, 14 to complete election of officers, 14 to complete installation of officers, 4 to re-ballot, 2 to change time of meeting, and 12 to change place of meeting.

She refused dispensations to receive petitions at call meetings, to re-ballot on legally rejected candidates, and to receive the petition of one who had no fixed residence.

The record of four surrenders of Charter was given, also of two arrested Charters, one for having held no meetings for more than a year, and one for continued discord manifest at all occasions.

She held, personally, 42 District Schools of Instruction, resulting in revived interest, aroused enthusiasm and inspiration.

One hundred and seventy-two visits to Chapters were made socially. We were beginning to wonder when she slept, or rested, and turned the pages to look at her face again. We found therein faithfulness to purpose, calmness and hopeful trust; admirable qualities. Our wonder ceased.

Special mention was given Harmony Chapter, of Kansas City. Having lost their effects by fire, they united in replacing the necessary Chapter furniture and equipment.

The night of the Grand Matron's visit was memorable because of the presence of Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron; Sister Pilkin, Right Worthy Grand Secretary; Sister Krebs, Past Grand Matron of California; Brother Harrington, Past Grand Patron of Kansas, also ten present and past Grand Officers of her own Jurisdiction. At this time the new altar was unveiled and dedicated by Sister Washburn. and to the Grand Matron was given the pleasure of presenting in behalf of the Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron a most beautiful electrical star, and also a richly embroidered table cover.

Among decisions rendered we cull the following:

The minutes should express the result of the ballot, else they would not be a true record of the business of the meeting.

Upon discovering that a member is not an affiliated Master Mason, the facts should be stated and he should be dropped from the roll of members.

Any member of the Order can object to an undesirable visitor being admitted.

The retiring Worthy Matron appoints the installing officer.

A lady who has "received the five degrees of the Order of the Eastern Star known as the Adoptive Rite of Masonry, in a Masonic Lodge in Alabama," will have to petition as a new member.

A member who remains suspended for two years or more, for non-payment of dues, should be reinstated by paper ballot.

All are Charter members who are petitioners for the dispensation, and all who were present at the time the Chapter was instituted, even though initiated at that time.

The conditions of three weak Chapters were investigated, and dues of each were paid for 1910; she recommended their previous indebtedness be remitted.

She recommended the giving of Honorary Membership certificates. The summary of her official acts includes the writing of 2,160 letters and 8,678 miles of travel.

In conclusion: "May the spirit of the Eastern Star mean from henceforth a more universal, practical love for humanity."

The address of Grand Patron, Rev. James M. Boon, occupies fifteen pages of the Report.

One of his first labors was a circular letter to many Chapters, Masters of Lodges, and D. D. G. M.'s, inquiring, (1) as to vacant territory where a new Chapter, O. E. S., might be instituted; (2) urging upon the Officers proficiency in the work, and (3) suggesting things Chapters might do for the Masonic Home. As a result, he reported 21 dispensations and institutions of as many new Chapters, all promising well for the future. A giant stride, my Brother.

Official visits to 25 Chapters are dealt with in detail, and accounts given of the taking up of three Charters for failure to hold meetings for two or more years. He boldly gave the names of thirty-two Chapters that had failed in sending him a report of their election and installation, and five that had neglected to pay their annual Grand Chapter dues. He enumerated with date of each, 25 visits and 6 personal institutions of Chapters.

Data is furnished of 27 petitions for new Chapters, sent, but organization not yet affected.

A report was presented by the Grand Lecturer covering a complete record of her year's work.

She held 56 District Schools, and 73 Special Schools of Instruction; members present at the above, 4,818.

Constitutions, 5; institutions, 5; installations, 4, and assistance given are reviewed, labors requiring 8,083 miles of travel during the year. Of the 36 inland Chapters 17 had been visited. One Sister attended her meeting by riding five miles alone on horseback, and returned home after 10:30 P. M.

Twenty-six faithful D. D. G. M.'s submitted a report of their field work. They sought to arouse dormant Chapters, to ascertain where new ones would thrive, and to encourage and assist active Chapters. The varied accounts tell of duty well done.

The Masonic Home contains 151 members, 80 adults and 71 children; \$750 of O. E. S. funds had been appropriated toward the cost of building an infirmary. The Past Matron's and Past Patron's Club gave a series of informal receptions at the Home, five in number. Gifts and money received during the year show unusual generosity existing among Missouri Chapters: Cash, \$2,290.97, and a page and a half of practical donations. "Freely give and freely ye shall receive." We predict the return of many blessings to the fraternity of Missouri."

Recommended: That a record of Rituals owned by individuals be kept by the Chapters, and an effort be made to secure by purchase or otherwise the Ritual when any person ceases to be a member of the Order.

Recommended: That in Chapters where cubes are used in balloting on the petitions of candidates for membership, that the ballot-box be lined, to preserve the secrecy of the ballot; also that the annual dues be fifty cents per capita, twenty-five of which shall become a part of the Masonic Home Fund. Amended to read forty cents, and fifteen cents per capita for the Masonic Home.

Sister Mary Jean White, Grand Secretary, presented her official transactions, among which reports we find: Annual dues, \$8,617; total receipts for year, \$10,078.54; disbursements, \$9,324.06; balance on hand, 1909, \$9,919.79, leaving a balance September 1 1910, of \$10,674.27. Grand Chapter dimits, 62.

The return of the apportioned Relief Fund from California, \$153.80, was duly noted.

Total membership of 284 Chapters, 21,026. Gains were, initiations, 1810; admission and reinstatements, 394. Loss, dismissions, 650; suspensions, 544; dropped from membership, 8; expelled, 3. The net gain of year was 834. The leading Chapters number 541 and 531, respectively.

Mileage and per diem was provided for by the adoption of an amendment covering each.

A member who was expelled by Grand Chapter in 1907, was restored to membership, and a certificate of good standing issued her by the Grand Secretary.

Seventeen U. D. Chapters rejoiced in the reception of Charters.

An evening session of Grand Chapter was devoted to the rare treat of seeing Matrons of St. Louis Chapters in a splendid representation of the "Pilgrims." The Grand Patron compared the entertainment, with its tableaux, perfect drills and symbolic ceremonies, with the glory of Solomon's Temple, as seen by the Queen of Sheba, when she exclaimed, "the half was not told me; thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard."

Sister Krebs was made an honorary member of Missouri Grand Chapter.

As a return courtesy Grand Chapter voted to purchase an electrolier for the Worshipful Master's room in Tuscan Temple, where the Grand Session was held. Later the electrolier was displayed for approval and placed on the Master's desk.

A form for "Petition for New Chapter" is given in full in the Proceedings.

The following motions were adopted:

First—"The Grand Chapter of Missouri, O. E. S., petitions the General Grand Chapter, O. E. S., to so change the labyrinth that the candidate be conducted around Martha's and Electa's chair before the lecture instead of after as required by Ritual, viz., on page 53 and page 58 (Instructions to Conductress)."

Second—"On page 36, instead of the Worthy Patron taking the chair, insert the Worthy Patron taking the gavel."

Election of Associate Grand Patron resulted in the choice of Brother Biggers, a Worthy Patron; he announced his ineligibility. The Grand Matron ordered another election for Associate Grand Patron and, upon ballot, Brother W. H. Tate was elected.

Sister Zeppa Owens secured the favored station of Associate Grand Conductress.

The Grand Officers were installed by Sister Eaton, who was soon made the recipient of a Past Matron's jewel. "In the center was the Missouri Coat of Arms, upon which was engraved: 'The Welfare of the People is the Supreme Law,' and 'United We Stand, Divided We Fall.'" Such is the description of the Past Grand Matron's Star, which was presented to her with many beautiful loving words by Past Grand Matron, Sister Dillon.

In her thanks and good-bye, the retiring Grand Matron added:

"Thou goest thy way, and I go mine,
 Apart, yet not afar,
 Only a thin veil hangs between
 The pathways where we are.
 God keep watch 'tween thee and me
 Is my prayer.
 He looketh thy way, He looketh mine
 And keepeth us near.

And though our paths are separate,
 And thy way is not mine,
 Yet, coming to the mercy seat
 My soul will meet with thine.
 God keep watch 'tween thee and me,
 I'll whisper there.
 He keepeth thee, He keepeth me
 And we are near."

This fruitful, harmonious session closed amid joyous felicitations and floral offerings. We have found the entire Proceedings of continued interests; the reports of the District Deputy Grand Matrons are sheaves from rich harvests; and the fraternal spirit of Sister Dillon's reviews, gives the rich golden touch of autumnal glow.

For twenty-one years she has taken intellectual journeys into the very midst of the Grand Chapter Sessions, has carried home the culms, and bound them carefully into yearly sheaves; no taint of criticism or sarcasm has left its blight. Sincerely, and "with equal justice to all," has her labor been performed. We would consider her acquaintance an honor. Thirty-seventh Annual Session. St. Louis, September 28, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Ethel C. Stansbury, 5919 Clemens Ave., St. Louis.
 Grand Patron—Charles G. Ferguson, 1305 Atchison Ave., St. Joseph.
 Grand Secretary—Miss Mary Jean White, Harrisonville.
 Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Sallie E. Dillon.

MONTANA.

Twenty-first Annual Session. Helena, September 22, 23, 1910.

"The Eastern Star moves like the constellations about the pole, within the circle of perpetual apparition—no interval between rising and setting."

To Miriam Chapter, No. 1, Grand Chapter had turned, as its biennial Mecca, toward which it had repeatedly journeyed for inspiration and fraternal fellowship, and right heartily were the members received. An informal reception was held on Thursday evening in the banquet room of the Masonic Temple. Potted plants, palms and the profusion of autumnal decorations made the room a "poem" of color, while a pleasing programme and dainty refreshments gave all the assurance of the welcome accorded.

No laggards, they; we find Grand Chapter called to order at 8:30 A. M., and opened in ample form by the Grand Matron, Sister Thompson, and fifteen of her Grand Officers.

Fourteen Past Grand Matrons and Patrons of Montana were accorded the honors of the Grand East.

The Worthy Matron of Miriam Chapter welcomed Grand Chapter; she wished for them the love that would strengthen and protect a sister or brother, who needs help; the charity that would overlook shortcomings and condemn not. Loving response by the Associate Grand Matron, Sister Powers, expressed the appreciation of the many labors of love given.

Opportunity was given, at this time, for the exemplification of the work by Miriam Chapter's officers. All were gowned in white with shoulder streamers of ribbon, in the appropriate colors; they made a very pretty sight, as they executed a fancy drill. The ceremonies of initiation were faultlessly given, and the officers received hearty applause.

The Grand Matron's address was illustrative of an unusual intellect; a comparison was made of the past with the present; she stated that woman's place in the body social, as well as in the body industrial and commercial, and in the body politic had been, and still is, undergoing radical changes. While Masonry is unchangeable, Freemasons have had their part in the growth of the civilization of the centuries.

Observation has shown that the good work is not done by man alone; realizing the need of woman's aid in their noble work for humanity, they raised the Macedonian cry to their mothers, wives, sisters, and daughters to come and help; hence the Eastern Star. The value of any service to humanity is not to be judged by mortal assessors; and timely, essential service cannot be estimated in terms of weight or measure; and kind words, small service and helpful deeds are indispensable. The Eastern Star supplies a method of work, and pleasing forms of sisterly intercourse. Such was the trend of her deductions,—able and consistent, and withal broad and sympathetic. Montana Grand Chapter has here a scintillator of the first magnitude.

For the members who had experienced personal bereavement, she spoke hopefully of the memory of past loving deeds, and the promise of an ultimate reunion.

Her official acts included the institution of Floral Chapter, and constitution of Wild Rose Chapter, No. 45; seven dispensations to elect or install out of regular time; recommendation of eighteen sisters to act as Grand Representatives to other Grand Jurisdictions, and appointment of twenty-three, as per request of other Grand Matrons. Sister Helen M. Seaman, Past Grand Treasurer, was one of these.

Every Chapter, except one, was visited officially, and the exemplification of the work witnessed; the one exception, could not present the initiatory ceremonies, as no brother was present.

The greatest need in Chapter work, was apparently knowledge of Law and Ritual.

Waivers of Jurisdiction granted were particularized. Believing that no emergency justified receiving, balloting and initiating the same date, all such requests were refused.

Six thousand miles of travel and \$17.00 for postage, gives one some idea of her busy year. Through all she was made to feel, as never before, that it was pleasant and good to meet in unity of sentiment and purpose. Her expense account was \$318.00.

Two official visits with the Grand Matron; the appointment of a Grand Deputy to act in his stead at the installation, seemed to comprise the Grand Patron's official report. He adjusted by recommendation to Grand Chapter the case of a sister joining a Chapter by affiliation and neglecting to get her dimit from her former Chapter. When request was made, it met with refusal, as she was claimed to be delinquent in dues. Grand Chapter adopted his recommendation: "That the Chapter be reimbursed by Grand Chapter, for all money paid to Grand Chapter on account of her membership since June 18, 1908," and that said Chapter issue said dimit.

The Jurisprudence Committee then made clear the subject of affiliations and dimit, thereby assuring no repetition of such a case.

The Grand Patron's address contains one full page of his views pertaining to the welfare of the Order. We note his ideas as topics only. Be unselfish, give aid in trouble, and extend charity to all.

Greetings were received from sixty-one Grand Officers of sister Jurisdictions, including the love and good wishes of Sister Ella S. Washburn, M. W. G. M.; Sister Loraine J. Pitkin, R. W. G. Sec., and Sister Margaret L. Keith, Grand Matron, Scotland.

Fourteen Grand Jurisdictions were represented in the Reception to Grand Representatives, Sister Amanda L. Sayrs speaking the good word for California. They were welcomed most eloquently by Sister Hedges.

All remained standing while the Grand Secretary read the names of those who had passed to the Higher Life during the year; the Grand Chaplain offered prayer and the choir completed the impressive ceremony.

Montana happily had no grievances.

A short interesting history of New Jersey Grand Chapter was given by their representative, Sister Hedges.

Membership, 3952; initiated, 347; U. D. members, 45; reinstated and affiliated, 88; dimitted, 92; suspended, 30; net gain, 355. The banner Chapter, Ruth, No. 2, has 225 members. Number of Chapters, 43.

Cash received and on hand, 1909.....	\$4,876.05
Disbursements	2,284.44

Balance on hand	2,591.61

The work of Fraternal Correspondence included the review of fifty Proceedings of Grand Chapter in forty-four Grand Jurisdictions. Though short, salient points are given in an easy style. A painstaking, impartial review was given California's Thirty-seventh Annual Session.

To three brothers was entrusted the counting of the election ballots. Promotions were strictly in order. The successful aspirant for Associate Grand Conductress was Sister Twerlinger, their Grand Ruth; Brother John L. Carroll received the honor of being elected Associate Grand Patron. The new corps of officers were installed by the retiring Grand Matron, assisted by Sister Sayrs, California's Grand Representative.

The jewel of office was received with gracious thanks by Sister Thompson.

The Masonic Brethren and Miriam Chapter were thanked for their generous hospitality. All other business being completed Grand Chapter closed. All were invited to the ball given by the Masonic Lodges and Miriam Chapter.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Mary J. Powers, 606 Sixth Ave. N., Great Falls.

Grand Patron—Sidney F. Morse, Box 1317, Billings.

Grand Secretary and Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Elva Boardman, 917 W. Quartz St., Butte.

NEBRASKA.

Thirty-fifth Annual Session. Omaha, May 10, 11, 12, 1910.

In the absence of the Grand Patron, who was unavoidably detained the first day of the session, the Associate Grand Patron, Brother Allen,

assumed the office. All other Grand Officers were present at the opening of Grand Chapter by Sister Hattie M. Scott, Grand Matron, assisted by the Grand Chaplain and Grand Marshal.

Grand Honors and the courtesy of the East were extended to the Grand Matron, and Grand Patron of Iowa, and the Grand Secretary and her husband, both of whom are Past Grand Officers of Iowa. Similar recognition was accorded the seventeen Past Grands of their own Jurisdiction.

Brother Allen, Acting Grand Patron, enjoyed an unusual honor for a "mere man," that of addressing the gathering in words of welcome. In closing: "We, with you, love its principles and purposes; we appreciate the delicate and womanly way in which this Order of ours has wrought gentler impulses, keener sympathy and more delicate ministrations into the lives about us; we know that there is in the world more of beauty and truth, more of gentleness and charity, because of the Order of the Eastern Star."

In response, Sister Evans informed Brother Allen that with confidence in their hospitality, they now were in possession of the Masonic Temple of Omaha, and hoped to merit a place in the Masons' hearts.

Grand Esther, Sister Doty, gave to the Grand Representatives, after their reception in the East with Grand Honors, a most beautiful welcome in behalf of Grand Chapter, voicing unity of purposes and principles. The Grand Representative of Wisconsin, Sister Vaughan, responded. Her every word was characterized by deep fervor, and broad charity.

Quoting from Albert Pike:

"But the truer life draws nigher
 every year,
And its Morning Star climbs higher
 every year,
Earth's hold on us grows slighter,
And the heavy burden lighter,
And the dawn immortal brighter
 every year."

"It is May time: The earth is adorned in a fresh mantle of green and all nature greets us with a smiling face, and bids us welcome to this beautiful city, 'the portal of the West.'"

With the above happy thoughts, the Grand Matron introduced her address. A feeling of personal loss pervaded her as she gave an account of the Grand Officers, who labored yesterday, but to-day rest "in the presence of the King." Two Past Grand Officers of their own Jurisdiction

had been called from their labors, as well as sixteen loved ones of other Grand Jurisdictions. Many from Subordinate Chapters had answered the call, leaving bereaved ones. To all these loving sympathy was given.

During the year's business and responsibility, her endeavor had been to maintain unselfish loyalty, and perform no act of injustice or unkindness. Loving service and untiring zeal set its stamp on her heavy year's work. No mantle of charity needs cover a single act.

A circular letter, bearing as its heading, "Learn the obligation and live it," was prepared, with the assistance of the Grand Patron, and sent to the Chapters. It was, in effect, a School of Instruction, giving in detail each Order of Business on the night of the Grand Matron's official visit, or other official visitor. Escort work was carefully detailed, making clear the modes of passing within and outside the labyrinth.

A review of her official acts revealed the fact that she had granted fifty-nine dispensations, fees received therefrom, \$32.50; appointed eight Grand Representatives, rendered twenty-two decisions, and appointed ten Deputies to assist in the work of inspecting and instructing, choosing for that purpose nine of the Grand Officers.

Sixty-nine Chapters received official visits and personal instruction; illness prevented further official inspection.

Good advice is plainly given in regard to faults discovered. Work, read or given carelessly or indifferently, cause lack of interest and poor attendance. Much good work and true fraternal spirit was found.

She met some few individuals whose lives reminded her of the childish petulant ejaculation: "If I can't be 'it,' I won't play." "They sought office and because some one else was preferred, would not attend Chapter while 'So and So' was serving as an officer. They assured me they could do much better in office than was being done, and I found myself wondering what they could accomplish if all members were as disloyal as they. 'Such is the nature of all associations that some must rule and govern, others submit and obey.' My sisters, wherever you are placed, 'be faithful to the duties of your station,' and 'murmur not at another's loyalty.'" All such "individuals" are not in Nebraska; the desire for office leads to treacherous shoals, round which the waves of disappointed ambition sweep, engulfing its hapless victims, unless held fast by the anchor of unselfishness.

During her term of office as Grand Matron, Sister Scott wrote 1472 letters and 194 postal cards; instituted three Chapters and constituted ten.

Obedience to law, of two years' standing, that cubes be used instead of black balls, was urged.

An O. E. S. Sorority was formed, for the benefit of the young ladies who attend the University of Nebraska. A full account of its organization and history was given.

The Achoth Sorority was organized in Lincoln, Nebraska, by University Eastern Star girls. Of the 3000 who attend the University many come as strangers to Lincoln. This Sorority assures *social recognition*, directs them to desirable boarding places, invites them to attend local Chapters, and does all that can be needed to make University life pleasant.

The Grand Patron, Brother Green, gave a chronological arrangement of his "official doings." By segregations, we learn that the amendments to By-Laws of thirteen Chapters were approved, the officers of three Chapters installed, two new Chapters instituted. He audited the bills and countersigned all warrants drawn; visited four Chapters officially, and six Chapters unofficially.

He recommended the districting of the State, corresponding to the six congressional districts, and that a sister be appointed from each district as a duly commissioned Official Visitor, each to be held responsible for the efficiency of the work under her jurisdiction.

A weak Chapter, numbering fourteen, wished to send in their Charter, and it was so recommended.

The Grand Secretary, Anna C. Simpson, Grand Chapter's "Tower of Strength," submitted a carefully prepared report of her year's transactions and varied duties; also the financial report and membership.

Number of Chapters, including five U. D.'s, 185; initiated, 1182; reinstated and affiliated, 261; suspended, 287; dimitted, 330; membership, 13,516, and a net gain of 816.

The Eastern Star Home fund received, through donations and 5 cents per capita tax, \$662.20.

Eight Chapters had furnished one room, each, at a value of \$100, making a total of \$800; an itemized account of useful presents was also given.

Total receipts, \$7522.59; disbursements, \$3512.91; leaving as the balance on hand, May 1, 1910, \$4009.68.

Greetings were read from Sister Washburn, M. W. G. M.; Sister Mathews, P. M. W. G. T.; Sister Pitkin, M. W. G. Secretary, and others.

Sixty-one and fifty-two hundredths dollars (\$61.52) were received as return Relief Fund from California, with a letter of thanks from Casimir J. Wood, Past Grand Patron of California.

The ten Grand Deputies submitted voluminous reports, giving to each visit its individual characteristics, noting carefully all the good they found. One Chapter, with a membership of 100, had \$2000 invested in Temple stock, and had spent \$1000 in furnishings for their hall.

One Chapter discriminates against the brothers: Initiation fee, female, \$2.00; for male, \$3.00.

The Eastern Star Home Board gave the grand total of O. E. S. Home Fund, \$6,472.96.

Grand Chapter was entertained at different times by the following addenda to Chapter work: The "Vocal Star," the "Pilgrims," and "Floral Work," The expenses of twenty-nine participants aggregated \$83.52. A reception to Grand Chapter was given by the local Chapters.

By motion, \$100 was turned over to the Home Board to assist in a desired purchase.

Amendments, looking to increase of dispensation fees, will be considered at the next session.

Legislation of local interest was enacted.

The Proceedings contain a cut of the Past Grand Matrons Club; ten strong, good faces. Nebraska has chosen well. Of equal interest is a sweet home picture entitled "Three generations of Matrons," the dates 1873, 1906, 1909.

Election was by promotion wholly; the Grand Marshal, Brother B. L. Terry, received the honor of Associate Grand Patron, and Grand Esther winning the coveted plum, Associate Grand Conduetress. Sister Doty received the reward of earnest labor as Grand Deputy.

With a brother as Grand Marshal, the Grand officers were installed by the retiring Grand Matron. Many beautiful gifts and a profusion of flowers marked the closing scenes of Grand Chapter.

The Grand Secretary has long served as Fraternal Correspondent as well. Her reviews are bright and pithy, short and flowing. We acknowledge the pleasant review given California.

Thirty-sixth Annual Session. Lincoln, May, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Anna M. Evans, Dakota City.

Grand Patron—Oscar Allen, 10th and Farnham, Omaha.

Grand Secretary and Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Anna C. Simpson, 825 So. 20th St., Omaha.

NEVADA.

Fifth Annual Session. Reno, June 10, 11, 1910.

This pretty little volume, in white and gold, is further embellished by the thoughtful kind faces that look out to meet us, as we approach the threshold to learn of the legislation and progress this young Jurisdic-

tion has recorded for our perusal. The fact that Nevada was once part of our fraternal household adds much to the pleasurable anticipation with which this volume is read.

The session was held in Masonic Temple, and called to order by Past Grand Matron, Sister Butler. A constitutional representation of Chapters was noted, and Grand Chapter opened regularly. The Grand Warder announced distinguished guests in waiting, and the Grand Matron directed the Grand Conductress and Associate Grand Conductress to retire and escort the visitors to the Chapter room.

They introduced Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Sister Summerfield, W. Grand Warder, of the General Grand Chapter; they were given the honors, welcomed and seated in the East; similar honor was extended the Past Grand Matrons and Patrons of Nevada.

Felicitous welcomes and responses were given. The seventeen Grand Representatives present were severally introduced and welcomed in the usual elaborate manner.

"Your welcome and your kindly smile,
Your hospitality of the past, and words
Of hope and love, that kindle true desire,
That make our zeal to greater zeal aspire."

Through the almost universal medium,—circular letters, the Grand Matron gave needed instruction, and voiced her official desires. The secret work in cipher replaced the printed forms. Only elective and past elective officers were allowed to purchase Rituals.

Nine dispensations to elect, install, or both, were granted.

The official visitation of fourteen Chapters required 3260 miles of travel. Washouts prevented her visiting the other two as arranged. One of her most enjoyable tasks was the installation work; three Chapters invited her to install their officers. The By-Laws of five Chapters were approved, and many official letters of advice, sympathy, and instruction written. Twenty-four Grand Representatives to and from the Grand Jurisdiction of Nevada, were appointed; Sister Melissa A. Morey of California is named in the list.

Among questions and decisions, approved by Grand Chapter, are:

- (1) An installed officer cannot dimit.
- (2) A Mason must reside in the Jurisdiction six months to be eligible to O. E. S. membership.
- (3) A Conductress can be elected Associate Matron without first resigning her present station.
- (4) An installation, though public, is illegal if the Bible is not open, and must be so declared.

She recommended that Chapters practice balloting and giving the salutation sign correctly at meetings, when they have no work; that Chapters inter-visit when possible; that the By-Laws and Constitution be studied.

Grand Patron, Brother Golding, found peace and harmony prevailing in all Chapters visited; he appointed Brother Owens his Deputy to institute the new Las Vegas Chapter, and Sister Squires, Worthy Matron of said U. D. Chapter, during the absence from the State of their Worthy Matron.

All Chapters had sent returns and per capita tax except one. The secret work in cipher and the Constitution and By-Laws of Grand Chapter were sent to all Chapters.

There are sixteen Chapters, with an average membership of 87 each; and only two Chapters number less than fifty. Total membership, 1389; net gain, 104. Balance on hand, \$1350.23.

Communications of greeting from Sister Conkling, P. M. W. G. M.; Brother Engle, R. W. A. G. P., and Sister Partridge, P. M. W. G. M., were read.

South Gate Chapter, U. D., of Las Vegas received its Charter, and the delegates were given representatives' privileges.

A Committee on Charity exists. Having no present need for the Charity Fund, it found temporary lodgment with the General Fund.

The report on Necrology was accompanied by thoughtful tribute to those who had "gone before."

The Finance Committee recommended that the expenses of the Grand Matron, \$176.49, be allowed; Grand Chapter agreed.

The Grand Officers met in evening session, in response to an invitation to confer the degrees on Marguerite Gosse and Erma Warren, in behalf of Ada Chapter, No. 4. The Grand Matron, through this means, had the unusual pleasure of assisting in the initiation of her daughter and niece. The occasion touched all present by the impressiveness and the dear home ties presented.

Eloquent remarks by Sister Washburn added the truism that "Love is the keynote of our Order."

The Grand Master of New Hampshire, Brother Norcross, also addressed Grand Chapter.

The case of Minnie Hickman was adjusted, and she was restored to "all rights and privileges of the O. E. S.," and a Grand Chapter dimit was ordered given her.

Two hundred and fifty dollars was allowed the delegate to General Grand Chapter.

Each Past Grand Matron received a jewel, as well as the retiring Grand Matron. Sister Washburn has a soup ladle to remind her of Nevada Grand Chapter.

An evening was devoted to installation, oratory, and thanks. The Grand Chapter closed with prayer.

The ever-interesting report, Fraternal Correspondence, was prepared by the incoming Grand Matron, Sister Talbot. It impressed her with the importance of the O. E. S., its missions and possibilities, and must have been to her a grand introduction to the duties of a Worthy Grand Matron. This gleaner had sought the best and bound them with the cords of fraternal love. As such, we accept the sheaves gathered from our rich California field, and hope for Sister Talbot the realization of every desire for the good of Nevada Grand Chapter, during her reign as its Grand Matron.

Sixth Annual Session. Reno, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Mary E. Talbot, Virginia City.

Grand Patron—Edward Barber, Reno.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Anna H. Wardin, 130 W. Liberty St., Reno.

Fraternal Correspondent—Jennie Porter, Winnemucca.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Twentieth Annual Session. Weirs, June 7, 8, 1910.

"Dearer than the silence of the hills,

And greater than the wisdom of the years,

Is man to man indifferent or ill

Triumphant over fears.

To meet the world with loyal hearts that need

No witness of their friends."

—Richard Hovey.

After the opening of Grand Chapter in the New Music Hall, all were welcomed to the city "nestling among the hills by the 'Smile of the Great Spirit;'" response was given by the Associate Grand Matron.

The address of Sister Morris, the Grand Matron, was beautiful in its introduction, specific as to official duties performed, and gave good advice with smooth, flowing diction.

She found, during the year, that the virtue of the "Eternal Brotherhood of Man" had been taught and practiced, and that the ties of brotherly love had been close-knit.

"All are friends here, all faithful friends;
And many friendships in the days of Time
Begun, are lasting here and growing still."

By God's goodness their ranks remained unbroken, but grief saddened their hearts for the Chapters that had lost faithful friends or dear ones.

"The dead are like the stars by day
Withdrawn from mortal eye,
But not extinct, they hold their way
In glory through the sky;
Spirits, from bondage thus set free,
Vanish amid immensity,
Where human thought like human sight
Fails to pursue their trackless flight."

The constitution of Relham Chapter was the occasion of a reunion, as it were; delegations from Chapters were present, and all the leading Grand Officers. The work was very creditably given, and the Charter presented with pleasure.

She installed the officers of five Chapters, and visited every Chapter in the State once,—some, twice.

Twenty-seven requests for dispensation were granted; but she refused to permit the reception by initiation of a petitioner whose residence in the jurisdiction was less than a year. Waivers of Jurisdiction within New Hampshire numbered six, in favor of Massachusetts, four. Two waivers asked by Vermont were refused. She appointed sixteen Grand Representatives, and named eighteen sisters who were appointed by other Grand Jurisdictions.

Her decisions and recommendations were all approved by Grand Chapter.

A half-sister of a deceased Mason is eligible to the degrees of the Order.

A vote, properly taken, cannot be expunged from the records.

She recommended that the veil be *not* used by Adah in making her sign, *nor* when the Conductress gives the same sign.

The Grand Patrons of New Hampshire and Vermont will confer, and committees will decide the question of waivers of jurisdiction along the

Connecticut boundary line, and agree upon a uniform practice, which shall be in force not less than two and not more than five years.

The importance of great care in the correspondence which relates to the office of a Grand Officer was shown; 535 letters were written by the Grand Matron.

Donations to the Masonic Home were \$251.90. Her visits to the Home gave opportunities for seeing the worthiness of the cause, and all were asked for continued help toward its maintenance.

The conditions of the Chapters, with one or two exceptions, indicated harmony, commendable zeal, and enthusiasm in the work.

None are forgotten in the praise given, and all are enjoined, in closing, to have in mind,—the sacredness of the ballot, those who need their care, and the high ideals taught by the principles of the Order.

The Grand Patron, Brother Collins, believed that the personnel of the membership, and the prosperity of the Order in the old Granite State, as in all the Grand Chapters, with their world-embracing sway, easily placed the Eastern Star in the front rank of all kindred organizations.

His year was one of help; he had assisted at one installation, and one constitution; approved the By-Laws of three Chapters, given advisory answers to many questions, and had accompanied the Grand Matron on many of her official visits.

Attendance at the Grand Chapter Session of Massachusetts had been enjoyed.

The Home was reported as efficiently managed, with contentment and happiness reigning supreme.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Norris, presented the financial and numerical status as follows: Cash balance on hand, \$906.55; invested, \$1410.89. Membership, January 1, 1910, 5378; net gain for the year, 217. Number Chapters, 45, with an average membership of 120, and none numbering less than 50.

The Grand Chaplain presented a necrological report of the passing of seventy-two sisters and brothers of New Hampshire, and of eighteen Grand Officers of sister Jurisdictions. In memory of whom prayer and a touching solo were given.

Sister Washburn was made an honorary member.

Admirable addresses were enjoyed; the Most Worthy Grand Matron gave them a sweet natural heart to heart visit, telling of reminiscences, happy, ludicrous, and instructive. She was happy in their beautiful, harmonious session.

Brother Watts, Past Grand Patron of Massachusetts, gave a lengthy interesting talk and much General Grand Chapter information as to itinerary for the New England Chapters.

A much-desired change was effected by the striking out of the sentence: "In the organization of new Chapters, all petitioners must be members in good standing in some Subordinate Chapter."

Election was easy. Brother Tilton was the choice for Associate Grand Patron, and Sister Hamlin was placed on promotion's highway by her election as Associate Grand Conductress.

A reception was held in Hotel Weirs, on Wednesday evening, June 7th; orchestral selections, an amusing entertainment, and light refreshments were features of the evening's programme.

A trip on Lake Winnepesaukee, on Thursday, gave a welcome change during the session. What a happy, harmonious Grand Chapter! The review gives us added love for the Order.

The clear-cut halftones of the Grand Matron and Grand Patron, and the dear-faced Most Worthy Grand Matron, add greatly to the interest and completeness of New Hampshire's Proceedings.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Alice J. Mitchell, submitted thirty pages, giving short reviews of forty-six Grand Chapter Proceedings. Sickness prevented fuller accounts. California's Session of 1909 is kindly considered.

Sister Ella S. Washburn officiated as the installing officer.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Fannie B. Emmerson.

Grand Patron—Bertram Blaisdell.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Beattie P. Norris.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Lula J. A. Morris.

NEW JERSEY.

Forty-first Annual Session. Newark, October 19, 20, 1910.

"If you were toiling up a weary hill
Bearing a load beyond your strength to bear,
Straining each nerve untiringly and still
Stumbling and losing foothold here and there,
And each one passing by would do so much
As give one upward lift and go his way,
Would not the slight reiterated touch
Of help and kindness lighten all the day?"

were approved; the granting of Charters to the six new Chapters was recommended.

Complete data was presented relative to the charges preferred in Holly Chapter.

In conclusion the Committee said of the Grand Patron, Brother Semler: "No Grand Patron, in the past, in our belief, had more arduous labor to perform from the day of his election up to the time of his unfortunate illness than Brother Semler. For the faithful performance of those duties, this Grand Chapter owes him a debt of gratitude." The address closed with the hope that he would soon be restored to health and happiness.

New Jersey Grand Chapter enjoys the distinction of having a Past Grand Matron serve in the capacity of Grand Secretary; here she can give to each new set of Grand Officers the light of her experience. The report submitted was the twenty-ninth; Sister Martin has served one year longer than our Grand Secretary; but her labors have necessarily been much lighter.

The Abstract of Returns gave forty Chapters and six U. D.'s, with a total membership of 4610, which would make an average of over 100 members in each Chapter. The smallest membership is eighteen, in one of the U. D.'s; the largest is 211.

The balance on hand is \$1951.32.

Acknowledgment was made of the receipt of the Return Relief Fund from California, and a plea for help from the Chapters in this regard included the following:

"But stay not at the gentle word,
The one who pities starving birds
Should scatter crumbs as well;
The mercy that is warm and true
Should lend a helping hand,
For they who talk and fail to do,
But build upon the sand."

The Trustees of the Masonic Orphanage of New Jersey were made the custodians of the Relief Fund of \$1378.88, and a per capita tax of five cents per annum was ordered for the purpose of augmenting the Fund.

Masons visiting a Chapter for the first time, must be obligated at the altar, immediately after the Associate Matron has reported that, "All ladies present are members of the Order."

A new ritual has been written, adopted and copyrighted. The German Ceremony for Installation, as translated and arranged, was adopted, and two hundred ordered printed and distributed.

One thousand copies of the revised Constitution and By-Laws were ordered printed, and sent out, the regulations and laws therein to go into effect upon their reception by the Chapter.

One thousand Rituals will be printed and distributed at cost price.

The time of annual meeting was changed from October to January.

From seven to thirty-five may petition for a Charter, and the dispensation fee will be \$25 hereafter.

Charters were granted the six U. D. Chapters, and their representatives given voice and vote.

Not more than five candidates may be initiated at one time.

Election was conducted by the casting of the "unanimous ballot" by some Grand Officer.

The Grand Chapter of New Jersey has no Associate Grand Patron; the Associate Grand Conductress was chosen by ballot, regularly, as also was the Grand Patron, Brother Nighman.

The ceremony of installation was conducted by the retiring Grand Matron, Sister Winter, after which Grand Chapter closed with prayer.

Fraternal Correspondence was in the hands of Brother Charles H. Nichols. He reviewed forty-seven Proceedings of forty-two Grand Jurisdictions, also the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland.

To California has been given more than two pages of careful review; he kindly extends the sympathy of New Jersey to Sister Routzahn, in the loss of her husband. From the Atlantic to the Pacific your sympathy has come, warmed with fraternity's glow. We accept it gratefully.

It was our pleasure, while in New Jersey, to meet Sister Lillie White, Worthy Grand Electa, and later to receive from her a copy of the Proceedings of 1910. We wish hereby to express our thanks for the courtesy.

Forty-second Annual Session. January, 1912.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Miss Marie A. Baum, 361 Little Falls Road, Paterson.

Grand Patron—Charles A. Nighman, 21 E. 35th St., Bayonne.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Mary Martin, 408 Graham Ave., Paterson.

Fraternal Correspondent—Henry G. Schau, 188 Congress St., Jersey City.

NEW MEXICO.

Ninth Annual Session. Roswell, October 21, 22, 1910.

"It is our inclination to go higher and higher
And eventually acquire
The good things for which we aspire."

The "Pride of Pecos Valley" received their guest, Grand Chapter, with a musical in the hall of the New Masonic Temple, the evening previous to the session, then welcomed them in the morning and banqueted them at night; one afternoon was devoted to automobile drives through the famous ranches near Roswell.

Grand Chapter was opened by the Grand Matron, Sister Koehler, in Elks' Hall, the Grand Lodge being in session in the Masonic Temple.

Twelve Grand Officers, seven Past Grand Matrons and Patrons, and eighty-one delegates were in attendance.

The Grand Matron felt that the review of her official acts and formulation of the policy for the coming year was of paramount importance, and that the annual session is too short to admit of proper attention to the needed amendments, much less the complete revision of the laws. Care should be exercised in acting upon the Grand Matron's decisions and recommendations, else confusion as to law will arise, through the uncertainty whether or not her recommendations *did* become laws.

Many Chapters had no copy of the Constitution or By-Laws; she advised that a reasonable number be furnished each Chapter free of charge, that there may be no excuse for any members being ignorant of the law.

Every Chapter of the State (twenty-eight) was visited officially, and the minutes of various Chapters and their By-Laws examined. Through these careful investigations she learned much that needed her attention and that of the Grand Chapter. Some of the by-laws needed "revision in conformity with the Rules and Regulations of the Grand Chapter of New Mexico."

One Chapter was convening irregularly; one elected all its officers by acclamation; one elected its officers out of time without a dispensation; one was in the habit of receiving petitions and balloting on them the same evening. "The minutes of another Chapter disclosed that three or more ballots had been taken upon the same candidate the same evening, also that the number of black balls appearing in the ballot box had been disclosed."

Many Chapters had been in the habit of taking summer vacations without a dispensation. In this connection she recommended changes in the by-laws, admitting of a vacation; also that the by-laws of all Chapters be examined by a committee appointed for that purpose.

The Grand Chapter adopted a resolution calling for the codifying of the Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of Grand Chapter, also the preparation of a form of By-Laws for the use of the subordinate Chapters, and to report at next annual session. Sister Kochler's efforts will result in unification in New Mexico. She deserves a rising vote of thanks.

It being found "necessary to uphold the dignity and authority of the Grand Chapter of New Mexico," she arrested the Charter of a Chapter. Her action was sustained, the charter restored, the Worthy Matron expelled, and the Secretary debarred from holding office one year. The election last held declared "to be void and of no effect," and the Associate Matron empowered to assume charge of said Chapter and fill all vacant offices *pro tem.* until next annual election.

The Committee further reported that the deposed Worthy Matron have an opportunity for defense, and that all papers be delivered to the incoming Grand Matron. Evidently the end is not yet.

Three new Chapters were instituted by the Grand Matron, one of them was granted a charter during the session. Dispensations to elect, to install, to elect and install, and to change time and place of meeting were granted.

Thirteen Grand Representatives received appointment by, or through her.

The Grand Patron, in reviewing the growth of the Order, said:

"In many of the earlier formed Grand Chapters, the Grand Patron was made the executive officer, and in some of them, the movement which began to clothe the Grand Matron with most of them was vigorously opposed, but was finally successful in every State except one, California, in which the Grand Patron still takes precedence over the Grand Matron, and I am glad to say that in every jurisdiction the wisdom of so doing has been fully vindicated by the many able women, who have been called to preside in the Grand East of the several Grand Chapters."

"So I bring you to-day no arms filled with sheaves garnered in the harvest-field of our Order, but only a few gleanings. And with them I am content, giving to Sister Kochler the honors she has so nobly won."

Seven Chapters were granted Charters at the last session, but no record of their constitution is given. We wonder if New Mexico omits those pleasant ceremonies.

Sister Minnie H. Miller, Past Worthy Grand Esther, presented a very nicely arranged, complete report of her official transactions as Grand Secretary, following the record with the resignation of office, as it were. Their great loss has been Los Angeles' gain. It has been our pleasure to know this dear sister for some time, and we feel they have lost a great worker, and adviser, and friend. She served eleven years as Grand Secretary.

The membership was 1488, and the net increase 157, in twenty-seven active chartered Chapters; 112 were lost through dimit or suspension, and three Chapters were organized.

One hundred thirty-nine Rituals were sold to members.

Sister Luey Reed reported a balance of \$897.75 in the Grand Treasury.

The list of the fraternal dead of their own and other Grand Jurisdictions was read, and pages set aside in memory. On the first of the Memorial pages:

"One by one we lose the hand clasp
That so warm a welcome gave;
One by one the voices silence
In the stillness of the grave.
One by one we miss the faces
Of the forms we held so dear,
One by one their names are written
On the scroll of angels, there."

An evening session was held for the purpose of witnessing the exemplification of the work by Roswell Chapter. The rendition was "highly creditable and satisfactory."

A letter of thanks from Sister Reed, P. G. M., for the jewel sent her, was read. Though unable to be present, her thoughts were with them.

The Chapter that balloted irregularly and recorded the results, presented a letter begging Grand Chapter "to heal the errors." It was done by legalizing the irregularities.

As the result of their election Brother Chisum became Associate Grand Patron, Sister Marion Stevens Grand Secretary and Sister Aldrich, the Foreign Correspondent, was elected to be Grand Conductress. Sister Morgan was re-elected Associate Grand Conductress.

Resolutions of thanks were read, the Grand Officers installed and Grand Chapter duly closed.

Sister Aldrich urged that steps be taken towards providing for the widows and orphans of Master Masons in good standing, saying: "Let us begin." The time did not seem ripe; no action was taken during

the session. Her Foreign Correspondence Report showed her ability, and the necessary work entailed gave much knowledge for her work as a Grand Officer. California was not overlooked; the transactions were accurately recorded with but few comments.

The proceedings gave us the pleasure of seeing the pictures of the retiring Grand Matron, Grand Patron and the newly elect Presiding Officers, as well as the faithful Foreign Correspondent, all of which added materially to the interest felt when reviewing the year's records.

Tenth Annual Session. Albuquerque, Oct., 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Blanche I. Major, Artesia.

Grand Patron—N. O. Herrmann, East Las Vegas.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Marion P. Stevens, Raton.

Foreign Correspondent—Mrs. Inez V. Chisum, Roswell.

NEW YORK.

Forty-first Annual Session. New York, Oct. 11, 12, 13, 1910.

"The world is a good one; still we can improve it.

Look upward, not down at your feet.

There's a brother in sorrow; a sister is grieving;

Each one with a cheery word greet."

"We often do more good by our sympathy than by our labors."

The transactions of the Forty-first Annual Session of the Grand Chapter of New York are embodied in a voluminous report of 337 pages, illustrated with the portraits of the Grand Matron, Sister Babcock, and the genial Grand Patron, Brother Nicol; also by the group pictures of the Grand Officers, and the workers in the fraternal vineyard, the District Deputy Grand Matrons and Assistant Grand Lecturers.

The Grand Chapter convened in the Grand Lodge Room of the Masonic Temple on October 11, 1910, at 10:30 o'clock A. M. The entrance of the Grand Officers was witnessed by a magnificent assemblage. The Grand Marshal displayed the flag at the altar and all sung "America."

Grand Chaplain gave the opening prayer. Roll call was answered by all the Grand Officers, twenty-two District Deputies, eleven Assistant Grand Lecturers, thirty-four Past Grand Matrons and Past

Grand Patrons and the representatives of 356 Chapters. Such a gathering would inspire the weakest to do noble things, not dream them all day long.

Letters of greeting from sixty-three Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions, as well as from the Grand Matron, and Senior Past Grand Matron of Scotland were received; all had in mind New York's annual convocation.

Greetings were exchanged with the three Grand Chapters then in session, viz.—Michigan, Rhode Island and Texas.

The welcome to the delegates, by Sister Pond, Associate Grand Matron, found an able response in behalf of the "Up-state members." The usual courtesies of the East were extended to all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons present also to the following distinguished guests: Sister Huvell, Past Grand Matron of Texas; Sister Winters, Grand Matron; Sister Baum, Associate Grand Matron, and Sister Allen, Past Grand Matron, all of New Jersey; Sister Brecht, Grand Conductress of Arizona, and Sister Vawter, Past Grand Treasurer of California.

In greeting, the Grand Matron used the following quotation:

"There are no friends like old friends,
And none so good and true.
We greet them when we meet them
As roses greet the dew.
No other friends are dear,
Though born of kindred mould,
And while we prize the new ones,
We cherish most the old."

Sister Babcock's address was a record of assiduous, conscientious endeavors. "Let us strive to make every day bright with some tender kindness performed for another," had been her motto. Much satisfaction was expressed for the growth and progress of the year. "It is to live twice over to be able to enjoy your past," said a Roman poet. To her had come enduring friendships and many blessings. For all of which she expressed her gratitude.

Among those who had entered into "that rest that remaineth for the people of God" were the Senior Past Grand Matron, Sister Burton, and the Senior Past Grand Patron, Brother Hebbard.

"No one hears the door that opens,
When they pass beyond our call.
Soft as loosened leaves of roses
One by one our loved ones fall."

As in other Grand Jurisdictions, the Grand Matron's chief thought was for the home. A cut of the stately three-storied structure, the Eastern Star Home, Waterville, adorns the proceedings. All Chapters were asked to visit the inmates, and know and help the cause. Crystal Chapter of Waterville were highly commended for their zeal in this respect.

A reception was given by the Masonic Grand Lodge to the children of the Masonic Home at Utica. Sister Babcock was present; later \$715 was contributed by the O. E. S. as an educational fund for the "Home" children. Of the \$628.57 Return Relief Fund from California, \$500 was devoted to this purpose.

One hundred and thirteen dispensations were granted; most of these for the purpose of electing or installing out of time, or to permit the change of time or place of meeting. Among them we find that a permission was granted "to initiate in accordance with constitutional privilege" (?) that a Chapter was permitted to call a special meeting for the purpose of conferring "The Queen of the South Degree," also, that a dispensation was obtained "to obligate a Master Mason that he might install the Worthy Patron, provided no Present or Past Patron was present."

Authority was given the District Deputy Grand Matrons to institute twenty-seven Chapters, and to constitute a like member.

Twenty-six District Conventions were attended, and forty-five social visits made. The honor of dedicating St. Cecile Chapter room, in Brooklyn Masonic Temple, was hers also.

Generous acknowledgement was given to all who had assisted her during the year. She said in this connection, "Your fidelity to your duty, and appreciation of my duty have been my constant encouragement and support."

The Metropolitan District has many pleasant organizations, each of which is a potent factor in maintaining active interest and centralization. Among these we note the "Just Be Fraternal Club," "Fidelitas Club," "Present Matrons' Association," and "Past Matrons' Association." One self-assumed duty of these organizations is the yearly entertainment of the Grand Officers.

The District Deputy Grand Matrons wrote detailed reports of their official visits, and schools held. We enjoyed the forty-six pages of

reports, and are confident that such careful supervision and material assistance will result in much added interest. What we can do well is generally enjoyed. Grand Patron, Brother Nicol, presented a beautifully worded address. He had been imbued with the desire to prove worthy of the trust imposed, and had labored to his best ability in its fulfillment.

He installed the officers in twenty Chapters, accompanied the Grand Matron to sixteen of the District Conventions, and made 278 social visits. Few will excel Brother Nicol's zeal and activity. We are glad to know this genial Grand Patron. His smile is still cheery, cares have rested lightly on his broad shoulders.

Revelations, in the form of beautiful innovations, which added much to the solemnity and impressiveness of the work, were found in many of the "Up-state Chapters." He reported uniformity in Ritualistic work, and excellent rendition prevailing everywhere.

A Clandestine Chapter at Buffalo, known as Frontier Chapter No. 521, was quietly and effectually eliminated by the persistent investigations, yet mild, firm policy pursued by an attorney for the Order.

Cards of membership will be given in receipt of Chapter dues. The color is to be different each year. They are to be secured through the Grand Secretary.

A committee was appointed with power to adopt a suitable design for *their* emblematic star. The design will be protected by copyright, and can be used by members of New York only. No other emblem shall be used on Chapter stationery and notices except as provided by Grand Chapter.

Blank ballots *shall* be counted when cast at an election for officers.

No Chapter shall be named after a living person.

All necessary paraphernalia shall be purchased through the office of the Grand Secretary. They are certainly laying foundations for a handsome revenue.

By the constitutional amendments adopted the voting power of Grand Chapter was extended to include "all Present and Past District Deputies, all Present and Past Assistant Grand Lecturers, *all* Present and Past Grand Officers and all Past Matrons and Past Patrons who served prior to 1905."

"No member of the Order, except an officer of Grand Chapter in the performance of her or his duty, can of right claim admittance to any Chapter of which she or he is not a member. The right to visit is one of courtesy, and may be denied at the pleasure of any member present."

"An unaffiliated member shall not be allowed to visit any Chapter, nor entitled to relief or Eastern Star burial."

Over fifty pages of carefully arranged tabular statements form part of the Grand Secretary's arduous tasks. The magnitude of the work may be conjectured, but not known. The organization in New York numbered 38,744 members in 441 Chapters, in October, 1910, New York City had twenty-three Chapters and Brooklyn twenty-four.

Syracuse Chapter No. 70, reported 522 members, Otsenigo Chapter No. 44, 477 members and Adelpic Chapter No. 79, stood 399 strong. Such Chapters are illustrations of harmony and progress.

Sister Lucie A. Buddington had held the trusted office of Grand Treasurer ten years. Her report gave the itemized disbursements \$22,219, and a balance of \$9,288 on hand.

The Credential Report, by our friend Brother Parker, was complete and useful for future reference. A model, in fact.

Brother McLaren, Grand Lecturer, and his twenty-six assistants, reported uniformity in the standard work and great interest manifested.

His efforts to increase the Relief Fund through the fees obtained by giving the Matrons and Patrons the "Administrative Degree" was repulsed, and the \$223 thus collected was ordered refunded.

The Home Board showed total assets to the amount of \$81,000. Four inmates enjoyed the generosity of the Order at a net expense of \$2,900. Waterville O. E. S. Home will surely be the Mecca for aged indigents.

An Ode Book, prepared by the Grand Organist, was adopted and copyrighted.

The State was re-districted. There will now be thirty-two District Deputy Grand Matrons, and as many Assistant Grand Lecturers.

A form for the proper installation of D. D. G. M's and A. G. L's will be embodied in the next edition of the Standard Ritual.

Election of Grand Officers gave the opportunity for the previous appointment of a Committee on Election, consisting of five members. They prepare a report which is read later; twelve tellers are named, three for each of four booths, and twenty-one Marshals of the Day (all brothers.)

The first eight Grand Officers are elective; three Trustees, and two Commissioners of Appeals are also chosen by ballot.

The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were re-elected, otherwise the Grand Officers are progressed. The announcement of each election is followed by a speech of acceptance.

Gifts to the retiring and incoming Grand Officers included diamonds, gold, silver and flowers, each presented with words of loving praise,

but the unique gift, deserving of special mention, was a framed bouquet of pressed wild flowers and leaves, tied with the emblematic colors. This loving tribute was from sixteen Grand Matrons of the Western States. The audience appreciatively sang "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

We enjoyed thoroughly our short acquaintance with Sister Gooderson, Grand Conductress, and were not surprised that many gifts came from her hands, and that hers was the voice that gave the praise others felt, but could not express. The Hindoo toast, Salem, proved a beautiful apropos quotation.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Brother Putnam, has served in this capacity fourteen years. He reviewed forty-eight sessions of forty-seven Grand Chapters in a fifty-two paged report.

California Grand Chapter of 1909 was honored with a goodly share of space—two pages. Being experienced, yet critical and facetious in comment, his reports amuse, though they may at times leave a sting. Our thirty-seventh annual session received, on the whole, very flattering mention. Who pleases the Dr. does well.

The well-appointed installation completed, the Grand Matron and Grand Patron addressed the audience in parting with words of eloquence and pathos. The theme was kindness, the life germ of fraternalism.

Forty-second Annual Session. New York, Oct., 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Annie M. Pond, 327 W. Twenty-eighth Street, New York.

Grand Patron—John C. Heisenbottle, 50 Halstead Street, Sloan.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Rebecca Niner, 25 W. Forty-second Street, New York.

Fraternal Correspondent—Dr. Frederick W. Putnam, Binghamton.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Fifth Annual Session. Asheville, June 14, 15, 1910.

In the absence of Grand Matron, Sister Travis, the Grand Chapter was opened and its deliberations presided over by Sister Gertie Woodbury, Past Grand Matron.

Fourteen Chapters out of thirty responded to roll call.

The Address of Welcome, by Sister McRary, was responded to by Brother Calvert, the Grand Patron.

The Grand Matron's address was read by another. She gave the following official acts: Signed the Charters for thirteen new Chapters; installed the officers in two Chapters, and instituted one; approved the by-laws of two and amendments to by-laws of one; gave fourteen dispensations, eleven of which were approved by the Jurisprudence Committee; appointed eight Grand Representatives and commissioned eleven to represent North Carolina near other Grand Chapters. Sister Emma Richl Leach for California.

She appointed Brother Creedmore as a Special Representative of the Order of Eastern Star on St. John's Day at Oxford, N. C.

The Grand Chapter lost four loved members during the year. The passing of Present and Past Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions were enumerated and sympathy extended to all whom death had caused sorrow.

Illness had prevented her acceptance of the many invitations of the year; her thanks were expressed for each.

A call was issued to the Chapters for a Thanksgiving offering for the Orphan Asylum, resulting in the donation of the sum of \$76.42.

A circular letter was sent asking the Chapters to take action on Robert Morris' Day, August 31st, in the matter of securing donations to the "O. E. S. Home Fund," resulting in a total of \$141.71 from sixteen Chapters.

In January, 1910, it was definitely decided that the Masons and the Order of the Eastern Star should join in building a Home. The Grand Matron was honored by being chosen as one of the Board of Managers.

She acknowledged with gratitude the efficient service of Brother Clymer, the Grand Secretary.

The Grand Patron, Brother Calvert, was glad of the presence of the Grand Chapter in Asheville for the third time in its short existence.

His few official acts related to the constitutions and institutions of the new Chapters, and to the appointment of two directors for the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. All were urged to join in the great work for this Home.

His residence in Alabama the latter part of the year precluded the possibility of giving his work the personal attention it needed.

The Grand Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$737.81 in the Treasury of the Grand Chapter.

The Grand Secretary reported a most busy year. The unfortunate conditions existing, brought the burden of Grand Chapter on his shoulders; these he carried uncomplainingly, and presented a most complete report, giving in minute detail every phase of his work, under the

following headings: Dues Received, Received for Supplies, Home Offerings, Orphanage Offerings, Disbursements, Outstanding Accounts, Unpaid Dues and Dues Standing, Supplies to Chapters Unpaid for, Ritual Account, Materials and Paraphernalia from Defunct Chapters, Inventory of Office, Statistical Report, Grand Representatives' Commissions Issued, Grand Representatives, Grand Chapter Proceedings Received, Deaths as reported, and the Grand Chapter Committees as supplied by the Grand Matron.

His successor in office, Sister Weatherly should appreciate his carefully rendered accounting.

This young Grand Chapter has a struggle before it; of the forty-six Chapters, only thirty-two sent representatives, and eight of these were U. D.'s.

The Abstract of Returns showed twenty-two dormant Chapters; two of these surrendered their Charters.

Twenty-one Chapters failed to send the dues for 1909-10, and twelve owed for a longer period.

The membership numbered 1,535, a net gain of 101 for the year.

As the Grand Matron and Grand Secretary for 1911 are both Worthy Matrons as well, they will surely have a heavy year's work.

Charters were granted the eight U. D. Chapters.

The local Chapter, Esther No. 12, provided delicious lunches for the Grand Chapter members.

The Committee on Jurisprudence declared illegal the dispensation granting permission "to receive and ballot on same night," as the "lady was leaving for another State."

They decided: A candidate "who walked very little" was not disqualified, therefore a dispensation to confer the degrees upon her was unnecessary; also that the Grand Patron needed no "special dispensation" to instruct a Chapter by the aid of the officers of another chapter. Their report was adopted.

A telegram of sympathy was sent to Sister Travis, the Grand Matron, who was kept from Grand Chapter by illness.

The Worshipful Master of the Lodge of North Carolina had conferred the degrees of the Eastern Star upon a number of ladies and subsequently wrote to the Grand Patron, asking for Rituals for their use. Vigorous action was taken. The Grand Chapter took the following stand:

"This Grand Chapter goes on record as denouncing any Master Mason who knows that the Grand Chapter, Order of Eastern Star, is a legally constituted Chapter by the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and does illegal work.

"No work in North Carolina of the Order of the Eastern Star, without being authorized by the Grand Chapter of North Carolina is legal, and there should not be imposed on the ladies of North Carolina the illegal work of the Order.

"The Grand Patron and Past Officers of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina are authorized to bring the matter of the attention of the Masonic fraternity for assistance. It is moved and seconded that the Grand Patron and Grand Secretary take up this matter with the Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina."

Over one hundred members witnessed the exemplification of the work by Esther Chapter. A vote of thanks was given them for their beautiful rendition of the ritualistic work.

In the absence of the Grand Patron, Brother Woodbury was called to serve as Acting Grand Patron.

The election resulted in the selection of Sister McRary, Matron of Esther Chapter, as Grand Matron, and Brother Clymer, their Grand Secretary as Grand Patron. The Grand Officers were chosen from eleven Chapters, and were installed at an evening session. The ceremony was followed by a reception and refreshments.

The subordinate Chapters contributed to a jewel for the Grand Patron, Brother Calvert; the same was sent to him. His beautiful acknowledgement of the gift was published in the proceedings. No report of Fraternal Correspondence was published, the space being utilized by the insertion of the membership of the subordinate Chapters.

Sixth Annual Session. Raleigh, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mary E. McRary, Asheville.

Grand Patron—L. M. Clymer, Greensboro.

Grand Secretary—Mary C. Weatherly, Franklinville.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Annie E. Bynum, Ashville.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Sixteenth Annual Session. Fargo, June 23, 24, 1910.

"Give strength, give thoughts, give deeds,
Give love, give tears and give thy self,
The more we give
The more we live."

The presence in their midst of Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron, gave charm and inspiration throughout the session; their pleasure and gratified pride found expression in loving words of welcome, gifts, flowers and a rising vote of thanks; even the opening solo was, "If Dreams Come True."

The honored guest was warmly greeted by Sister Rusk of Mecca Chapter, Fargo, who gave the visitors and delegates a most cordial welcome.

The Associate Grand Matron, responding, quoted the following: "He that is courteous and kind to strangers, thereby proves himself a citizen of the world."

After Grand Chapter had been opened by Sister Rosa Baker, W. G. M., the honors of the East were extended to the distinguished guests, Sister Washburn, M. W. G. M., and Sister Braley, Grand Matron of Minnesota, also to all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons present.

The address of the Grand Matron had a cheerful, hopeful tone. Her duties, though many, had left no tinge of bitterness, no cause for strongly expressed views or advice. The spirit of content hovered over its opening and its closing.

"May Heaven's richest blessings upon our labors rest,

And its glories meet our vision as the sun sinks in the West."

A short Memoiral Service was held, using the form of service adopted by the Grand Chapter, and now in force once each year in the Chapters. The chain of Grand Chapters had not been broken, yet keen sympathy was expressed for those of the order, whose dear ones had answered the summons during the past year.

Among the official duties performed by the Grand Matron were the appointment of forty-four Grand Representatives, and the recommendation of twenty-two. Sister Bowles, P. G. M., represents North Dakota.

Greetings of love at Christmas tide and a reminder to assist in the O. E. S. Home Fund donations, were sent.

The officers of five Chapters were installed by her, and official visits given to twenty-nine Chapters; six dispensations were granted (fee \$12) and nine decisions rendered. Among these:

1. A former resident of North Dakota holds her residence in South Dakota for eight months, then returns to North Dakota to live. She must live in the State one year before being eligible. Former residence would make no difference.

2. An invitation to go to Winnipeg to exemplify work was referred to the Most Worthy Grand Matron. The Grand Matron's opinion was "yes."

3. An affiliate requires no time residence to be eligible.

Timely suggestions and good recommendations show an alert mind and progressive ideas.

The Chapters had donated toward her expenses. The total General Fund was \$4,376.76. This sum was accumulated by these Chapters.

She recommended that Grand Chapter allow two hundred dollars (\$200) for the salary of the Grand Matron. This would cover all expenses and save her the unpleasant task of collecting from Chapters. The Finance Committee was supported by the vote of Grand Chapter in their report that the funds of Grand Chapter did not warrant the appropriation of that sum; as a compromise they voted \$100 be set aside for the Grand Matron's use, and \$50 for the Grand Patron's necessary expenses.

Grand Patron, Oscar D. Purington, who was also Worthy Patron of Northern Light Chapter No. 49, gave a lengthy, well-written address.

His work of constitution of three Chapters and other official duties requires 3,527 miles of travel. He had found excellent work, but it lacked the necessary form and direction to secure intelligent uniformity. The Grand Officers should be furnished a complete guide, that new Chapters may receive proper instructions from the time of their organization.

Considering it an unjust burden on infant chapters, he recommended that the expenses of instituting Chapters and constituting the same be borne by Grand Chapter. His bill of \$104.25 for expense incurred was allowed.

The Grand Secretary presented a membership of 4,727 with 288 net increase. She respectfully asked for office furnishings, costing about \$85.

Under unfinished business: The Committee appointed by Grand Chapter in 1908 to purchase *new books* for the Grand Secretary was not prepared to report last year, and same committee was continued, and asked to report at this session. In 1910 the Committee on Unfinished Business, realizing the patience the Grand Secretary must have exercised, congratulated Grand Chapter in having so competent and altogether desirable Grand Secretary.

Charters were granted the two U. D. Chapters.

Remarks by Sister Washburn, with illustrations as to improvements along the line of work, gave pleasurable instruction. Sister Braley, W. G. M., of Minnesota, said they were just neighbors with the Red River running through their door yards.

A special meeting of Mecca Chapter was held for the purpose of exemplification of the initiatory ceremonies by the Grand Chapter

officers. A quartet added appropriate music, and the work was well done. Dainty refreshments followed.

Seventeen Grand Officers, nine Past Grands, seventeen permanent members and 100 representatives constituted the voting power of Grand Chapter.

Twelve Chapters were not represented. One did not send the annual reports.

Number of Chapters, 64, including 1 U. D. Chapter.

Two tellers were appointed to act with the Grand Secretary.

Brother Cooper of Drayton was elected Associate Grand Patron, and Sister Rusk, of Mecca, was the favored candidate for Associate Grand Conductress.

The installation was conducted by Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron. She presented the newly-installed Grand Matron with white roses, accompanying the sweet gift with all good wishes for the year's work; then, turning, she presented the jewel to the retiring Grand Matron, in her sweet, gracious way.

Memorial Services will be given annually in the subordinate Chapters, on the meeting nearest Easter.

Gifts, facetious given and received, enlivened the closing hour of Grand Chapter. The Grand Patron receiving a candle to light his way after his retirement from office, and to the Grand Treasurer was given a handsome hat pin with which to guard the funds of Grand Chapters.

These consisted of Home Fund \$947.80 and General Fund \$2,497.52. We hope the hat pin is a good one. A rather spoony time is recorded. Four of the leading stars were chronicled as gladly carrying one home with her, Sister Washburn being among the number.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Chenery, gives some golden thoughts in the introduction to her eighth report.

Her reviews comprise 56 proceedings of 46 Grand Chapters, and occupy over 70 pages. To California's thirty-seventh annual session, 1909, was generously given a very full report of two and one-half pages, carefully considering every phase of the session. We graciously tender our thanks.

Seventeenth Annual Session. Grand Forks, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Eleanor MacKay, Bottineau.

Grand Patron—George H. Keyes, Ellendale.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Florence M. Hoskins, Bismarck.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Jennie M. Chenery.

OHIO.

Twenty-first Annual Session. Columbus, Oct. 25, 26, 27, 1910.

"We are not here to dream, to drift;
We have work to do and loads to lift;
Shun not the struggle, face it;
'Tis God's gift."

On opening this pale blue volume, we are met by the thoughtful, spiritual gaze of Arra Brickel Jacocks, the Grand Matron, and that of her energetic, conscientious co-workers, Winfield J. Newhard, Grand Patron.

The Grand Chapter convened at 7:30 P. M. in full ritualistic form, with every Grand Officer present, and was entertained by vocal music.

Mayor Marshall extended the city's greetings to which the Associated Grand Patron responded.

The welcome of the three local Chapters of Columbus was cordially given by their D. D. G. M., Sister Davenport, who becoming reminiscent, said that Lorraine Chapter No. 1 of that city was organized twenty-seven years ago, and from this beginning the Order in Ohio had attained a membership of over 28,000.

In reply, the Associate Grand Matron compared the Prophets' looking to the East for comfort and guidance, the devout Israelites turning their faces toward Jerusalem and the yearly anticipated coming to the Grand Chapter to gather inspiration, wisdom and strength for the year's work.

To-day alone is ours in which to so act and plan that the record of each successive to-morrow may hold a fuller scroll, and fairer than that of yesterday for—

"The present, the present is all thou hast
For thy sure possessing
Like the Patriarch's angel, hold it fast,
'Til it giveth the blessing."

The Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, also the Superintendent of the Masonic Home, and the Matron, his wife and the Grand Representative of Colorado, Sister Hurles of Wisconsin, were escorted to the East and given Grand Honors.

The Oakwood Quartet furnished two vocal selections, and the Grand Chapter adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning.

At this time the 41 members of the 15 committees were named, and the Grand Matron presented a splendid report. She acknowledged her debt of gratitude to her predecessors for the present prosperity, uniformity of beautiful work, and the privileges enjoyed. She felt that "His great love" had shone out through their homes, and Chapter rooms, helping to make a pleasure of her duties.

Sincerest sympathy was extended to the dear ones, in whose homes, ties had been severed.

"The broken links will all be complete
When we meet again at the Savior's feet;
Let our courage grow, our faith expand,
Till we meet at home, in the better land."

Her official acts are recorded testimonials of faithful devotion and continuous service.

The officers of twelve Chapters enjoyed the honor of being installed by the Grand Matron.

The by-laws of forty-six Chapters were approved, and one hundred and thirteen dispensations granted, among which were several granting suspension of meetings for June, July and August. Three requests for permission to ballot at a special meeting were denied.

Waivers of Jurisdiction received, added eighteen members, by those granted, Ohio lost two.

Four Chapters had the honor of her presence unofficially, while seventy-three received her careful inspection and were officially reported.

The Order in Ohio is instructed annually by its D. D. G. M.'s, twenty-two in number; these submit a report of each Chapter visited, giving its strength, growth, finances, general condition, number of rituals, etc.

The questions requiring the Grand Matron's decision show small ripples of unrest, caused by the malicious use of the black ball, and the Worthy Matron's attempt to circumvent the act by little subterfuges.

The cherished compliments of fourteen honorary memberships, the privilege of dedicating a hall to the use of the O. E. S., and two receptions in her honor left rosy memories for the Grand Matron's future treasuring.

She left with them the thought of living each day as the best, helping and being helped, blessing and being blessed.

Brother Newhard's special aim had been to aid the weak Chapters, saying: "When we have given our assistance in various ways, when we have brought to them our fraternal love in our active duties, and

explained these principles that are taught in our Ritual, then have we given to them our best efforts. We boast of an Order that is grander and more noble than eloquence can ever portray—more beautiful than any poet may fancy. May we ever keep this high standard, by not only teaching its lessons, but by living them in our every-day lives.”

“Then, let us live those principles so true,
By keeping our vows so sacredly made;
Always constant in our work that we do;
Ever pure and noble, and not afraid;
But trust in the Hope that is promised you;
And may our love be bright and never fade.”

The Grand Patron installed the officers of four Chapters and visited many unofficially; in general he found splendid, capable officers. He spoke with appreciation of the honorary memberships received. The U. D. Chapters were inspected and eleven Chapters instituted. At each of these the D. D. G. M. was the guest of honor. Throughout the year he was encouraged and assisted by the letters written him—each came as welcome message from which to gain inspiration.

The D. D. G. M.'s displayed zeal, a review of their reports gives the visits made. We note each presents a good account of her stewardship.

The Grand Secretary made the Grand Patron's crooked paths straight. Her review of the work accomplished is comprehensive.

Balance on hand in Hospital Memorial Fund, Hospital Endowment Fund and General Fund, \$10,003.20.

Membership, September, 1910, 29,418; net gain for the year, 1,924. The Roster of Chapters gives 324 Chapters three of which are U. D.'s.

The voting power was 1,031, with 318 Chapters represented.

Among the supplies we find enumerated copies of Mystic ties, floral work, floral marches, memorial services and visiting cards.

The largest Chapter, Cleveland, No. 139, had 469 members. The banner Chapter in growth was the Grand Matron's Home Chapter, Arra No. 160, 64 were initiated. Defiance Chapter U. D. had 247 charter members. Cleveland contains six Chapters, Cincinnati eight, Columbus three, and Toledo four. Ninety-three Chapters numbered more than 100 members each.

A communication requesting that necessary changes be made on pages 18 and 19 of the Ritual, making the Chaplain, Marshal and Organist regular officers, and their duties be added to said ritual, was

left with those who would represent Ohio at the General Grand Chapter Assembly.

A Committee of Past Grand Matrons have in charge the preparation of a Book of Instruction.

A great and noble work has been accomplished by the O. E. S. in the construction of the Masonic Home Hospital. Its total cost of \$22,069.86 has been contributed by the Chapters; the much-needed addition, costing \$6,548.58, was ordered constructed, and the Chairman of the Masonic Home Hospital Committee gave a full itemized statement of the year's contributions by Chapters, and the disbursements. He was lavish in praise of the good work, saying that the Order had brought to itself the blessing of those who had been the recipients of these benefactions.

One thousand dollars was transferred to the Hospital Endowment Fund.

The Worthy Matrons of ten U. D. Chapters received their Charters, and were installed by the Grand Patron. Three very young Chapters remained under dispensation.

Memorial services, elaborate and emblematic, were held. Two Past Grand Matrons, Sisters Jackman and Messinger, had left the chain during the year. In memory of these dear ones, and as a token of the fraternal love which draws all Grand Jurisdictions closer in this common bereavement, a smilax covered Memorial Star was uncovered, and its center filled with pale pink carnations. Around these and filling its points were woven white carnations, one by one, by two sisters, while the names of 237 departed ones were called by the Grand Secretary, after which they garlanded the Star with evergreen, "Nature's promise of immortality," its endless form symbolizing the fraternal chain. By these the members were reminded

"To lavish on our dear ones all our wealth of love today,

And thus save ourselves the heartaches and the tears,

For our flowers have no meaning to the still unconscious clay,

Yet their perfume oft will cheer the lonely years.

Let us bring our sweetest blossoms and the sunshine of the day,

And bestow with loving kindness on our friends along the way."

The banner Chapter, Cleveland, exemplified the ritualistic work most impressively and were rewarded by a rising vote of thanks.

Twenty-eight Grand Representatives were given grand honors and hearty welcome.

At this time Sister Hurless of Wisconsin brought an armful of carnations to the East and presented them to the Grand Matron and Grand

Patron. Though grown in Ohio, they represented the same sweet, beautiful thoughts as in Wisconsin.

Hereafter the Grand Representatives will be presented red roses, emblematic of the red point of our Star.

Greetings were exchanged with the two Grand Chapters in session, Iowa and Kentucky.

Words of sympathy and flowers were sent to two Past Grand Officers, absent because of sickness and death in their homes.

Neglecting to ask for waivers of jurisdiction caused a complaint to come before the Grievance Committee. An investigation, looking to amicable adjustment will soon produce the return of fraternal relations, we trust.

A resolution was adopted and a committee appointed to consider the establishment of a home for the aged and indigent members of the O. E. S. in Ohio.

Decisions: All members must vote or retire. Waivers of Jurisdiction is decided by the majority vote; ballot taken.

The Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron exchange chairs, when he is invited to preside during the conferring of the degrees.

Members over six months in arrears for dues must be suspended or dues remitted.

The presentation of gifts and flowers followed the announcement of each Grand Officer's election; music and business intermingled.

Interest centered about the selection of the Associate Grand Patron and the Associate Grand Conductress. The general idea of progression is adhered to in this Grand Jurisdiction.

Gifts of an umbrella and silver fern dish to the Grand Patron were eclipsed by the many testimonials of love that came to the Grand Matron. She was made the guest of honor of the 16 Chapters of Hamilton County at General Grand Chapter, and presented with a traveler's grip well filled with useful articles, besides being favored with flowers and a loving cup.

Tears of appreciation filled her eyes; may she always have sweet memories of that hour.

The retiring Grand Matron and Grand Patron received jewels from the Grand Chapter. The cost of them is small, \$25 each, but the honor is great as any—intrinsic values fall far below par when associations and sentiment are brought into consideration. This thought may have dominated at the last session, as we read that 15 Past Grand Patrons received jewels during the year.

The review of 53 Grand Chapter Proceedings of 45 Grand Jurisdictions, by Sister Kaufman, was most interesting. She is an able

writer and careful reviewer. Our Grand Secretary is complimented on her twenty-seventh annual (in 1909). She says of us: "A genuine, clean spirit pervades the Grand Jurisdiction of California." Cognizance is taken of the fact that our Grand Patron is the executive head. We kindly acknowledge the two pages of generous review.

Twenty-second Annual Session. Cleveland, Oct., 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Ella B. Shearer, 267 Fifth Street, Marysville.

Grand Patron—J. Ernest Teare, Cleveland.

Grand Secretary—Jeanette S. May, 1327 Dorr Street, Toledo.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Arra B. Jacobs, Norwood.

OKLAHOMA.

Second Annual Session. South McAlester, Feb. 11, 12, 1910.

In the auditorium of Scottish Rite Temple was convened this, the second meeting of Grand Chapter in the State of Oklahoma.

All except two of the Grand Officers were present, and Grand Chapter was duly opened by its loved Grand Matron, Ada T. Martin.

The guest of Honor, Sister M. Alice Miller, R. W. Associate Grand Matron received all the welcome and honor due her high office, and the visiting Present and Past Grand Officers were given proper recognition, after which the Grand Representatives were introduced and given a formal welcome by Brother Bryson, the Associate Grand Patron. An invigorating, enthusiastic response by Sister Pollock, Grand Representative of Pennsylvania, left her hearers richer in thought and purpose.

This, the first year, had presented many problems that tested to their uttermost the powers of the Grand Matron. She had met these obstacles with strength, gained through the members' continued kindness and assistance. Encouragement and assurances had supported her.

Loving sympathy was given to those who mourned. Sister Martin placed carnations on the altar in remembrance. The act was followed by a prayer and the song, "Face to Face."

The record of her many official acts is given in a well-prepared address of twenty-three pages.

By summarizing, we learn that she commissioned eleven special deputies to constitute the eleven Chapters, whose Charters had been granted them; appointed thirty-six Grand Representatives, and suggested forty-

one names for appointment; granted twenty-five dispensations, and refused twenty-two requests for special dispensations.

A dispensation was granted "to elect a Worthy Matron 'from the floor.'"

All requests to ballot out of time, or to withdraw petitions were refused.

Two had asked permission to receive petitions for candidates under the age of 18.

Knowing that other duties would preclude the opportunity for visiting many Chapters, she appointed thirty-two Deputies, who were well informed in the work, to visit Chapters who desired their assistance.

By request of the Grand Master, two Sisters were named for appointment on the Masonic Home Board.

A circular letter was issued to the Chapters and Masonic Lodges, soliciting contributions for the children's Christmas. Seven hundred and sixty-four dollars and ninety cents was received. Of this, \$562.91 was spent by the Home Committee, supplying the children's every legitimate need.

Seventy-eight Chapters received a visit by the Grand Matron, and two days were spent in visiting the Grand Chapter of Kansas. She was made an honorary member thereof. The Past Grand Matrons' Club accorded her that honor in their organization as well.

The Masonic Home was visited. She reported everything in the best order, the children bright and happy.

The condition of the Order in general was good, with lively interest manifested. Where dissension existed, it could have been avoided had every tale been made to pass the golden gates, viz.: "Is it true," "Is it needful," "Is it kind," before it passed the lips of the hearer.

The Grand Chapter of Oklahoma was incorporated under the laws of the State, and the Charter issued.

The new Chapters, fourteen in number, were instituted, in the main, by Special Deputies, as business responsibilities prevented the Grand Patron, Brother Lindsay, from giving them his personal attention. Ten blank petitions for dispensations had been sent, from which he hoped good results.

Three weak Chapters had surrendered their Charters.

Sister Kitty L. McLain, Grand Secretary, having in view retirement "upon her honors," submitted all records, cash books, statements, etc., as well as her official transactions of the year.

A seal for the use of Grand Chapter, presented by Brother and Sister Walker, of Texas, and a nicely engraved, beautiful gavel from Ella S.

Washburn, M. W. G. M., were formally presented to Grand Chapter during the session.

Membership December 31, 1909, 10,958; net gain during the year, 1,355; number of Chapters—active, 224; dead, 10. Returns of subordinate Chapters give the membership of 17 Chapters over 100; 151 Chapters less than 60; and 71 Chapters number less than 35 members each; while 39 Chapters sustained loss of numbers by dimit or suspension. All the later Chapters (47 in number) show progress, which speaks well for the future.

The Grand Treasury held a balance of \$2,011.48 in its General Fund and \$1,868.12 in its Masonic Home Fund.

A resolution was passed expelling R. W. Choate, he having been expelled by the Masonic Lodge.

Telegrams and letters of greeting came to them from twenty-six Grand Jurisdictions, gentle messengers binding the great links of the Grand Chapters still closer in one great fraternal chain.

Provision was made for the proper engraving of Past Grand Matrons' jewels, to show they were presented by the Grand Chapter of Indian Territory.

Exemplification of the work, and memorial services were witnessed by the members. A memorial address, relating the dramatic passing of Sister Miller while giving her lecture as Martha, was delivered by the Matron of the Chapter where it occurred.

"The lives of great men oft remind us
That we can make our lives sublime."

"The greater credit belongs to those who in humble stations live lives of such beautiful character as to inspire others to nobler and better lives."

An appropriation of \$600 was made for the necessary expenses of the Grand Matron, and \$200 was appropriated for the expenses of the Grand Lecturer.

Charters were granted to fifteen U. D. Chapters, and their representatives given voice in Grand Chapter.

The purchase of library books and necessary book cases for the Masonic Home, was authorized, said purchases not to exceed \$1,000. Sister Telle was given full power in selection and purchase.

The Credential Committee's report gave the total representation 169 Chapters and 14 U. D. Chapters, with total voting power in Grand Chapter (Grand Officers included) of 623.

The Grand Lecturer, Sister Sharp, Past Grand Matron, presented a long report, giving many sidelights into the Chapter work in Oklahoma.

Those who need help are often too timid to acknowledge it, or feel the burden of entertainment, gift and banquet. The large, prosperous Chapters located in cities having car service know nothing of the sacrifices made in out-of-the-way places, where distance from Chapter may exceed ten or fifteen miles. It is a problem in every State. Oklahoma Grand Matrons are not alone in their efforts toward its solution.

Grand Chapter voted to use a Book of Instruction prepared by Sister Hunter; also to prepare forms for instituting and constituting Chapters.

All petitioners for a dispensation must be initiated within thirty days of the Chapter's institution (if absent on that evening), or present a petition for the degrees, as any other candidate.

The Masonic Home contains 56 children, all attending school at Atoka, except the youngest three. They had a most delightful Christmas, made so through the donations from the Chapters.

A new Home is to be built on the recently purchased thirty-two-acre tract four and one half miles from El Noro. A Masonic College will also be built. The sum of \$525 was ordered turned over to the Home Fund for the use of the Grand Lodge in putting the new Home in working order.

Sister M. Alice Miller, R. W. Associate Grand Matron, installed the Grand Officers of 1910-11.

The reviews of the Grand Chapters of 1909 were in the hands of Anna Sevier Blackstone, Fraternal Correspondent. She proudly states that she is our Grand Representative in Oklahoma, and gives a bit of praise to the Grand Patron, enlarges the share in behalf of our gifted Anna Marie Johnson, and understands the love bestowed on Sister Willatts. The full review is kind and true.

Third Annual Session. Guthrie, May, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Lula B. Evans, Stroud.

Grand Patron—William G. Bryson, Bartlesville.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Mary Alverson, Blackwell.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. P. L. M. Ray, Guthrie.

OREGON.

Twenty-first Annual Session. Portland, June 14, 1910.

"Friendship! Mysterious cement of the soul!
Sweetener of life and solder of society!"

—Quoted by Sister Drake.

As a very pleasant means of honoring their distinguished guest, Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron, a reception was held and a short program rendered. Sister Krebs was an honored guest of the occasion. The pictures of the Grand Matron, Sister Stiles, and the Grand Patron, Brother Botts, are a welcome addition to the volume.

Grand Honors were given to the Grand Matron upon her approach to her station. The officers then assumed their stations and Grand Chapter duly opened.

The Grand Lecturer, Grand Organist and Associate Grand Patron were absent when the roll was called. Brother Boyd entered later.

Two hundred and thirty-five representatives from 81 chartered Chapters and 6 U. D.'s, also 13 Past Grand Matrons and 9 Past Grand Patrons were in attendance.

The "Star Spangled Banner" was sung while the flag was being taken to the East, by the Associate Grand Patron, Grand Conductress and Grand Marshal. The Grand Matron requested all to join in giving the secret work of the opening.

Sister Ella S. Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron, was escorted into the Grand Chapter room by the Grand Marshal, greeted with a cordial welcome, conducted to the East and received with Grand Honors.

From Sister Boyd's welcome in behalf of the Chapters of Portland: "May the work you do here be harmonious and wise and may seeds of sisterly affection be sown in your hearts, to ripen into a golden harvest; so that when the autumn of life comes to you, you may gather in the sheaves of a 'peace that passeth all understanding.'"

In reply, Sister Binehart, Associate Grand Matron, quoted:

"We meet to-day on common grounds,
Old friendships to renew,
While eyes grow glad and hand seeks hand,
In greetings fond and true."

At this time our Sister Krebs was given fitting recognition. Her response included greetings from the Grand Chapter of California. Past Associate Grand Patron, Brother Phillips of Wyoming, was received and introduced from the East.

Their own Past Grands, twenty-two in number were escorted to the East and accorded Grand Honors and welcomed, as also were the Grand Representatives. Hearty greetings from New Jersey were extended by Sister Vert.

The Grand Matron had met with 91 Chapters. No empty chairs were found in their Grand Chapter, but the great "golden chain had

been broken, and loved ones passed to the Great Beyond." Sympathy was extended, with the trust that "He who wipes away all tears will comfort and sustain." She reminded the stricken that:

"When the stream
Which overflowed the soul was passed away,
A consciousness remained that it had left,
Deposited upon the silent shore
Of memory, images and precious thoughts
That shall not die and cannot be destroyed."

New Year thoughts came from the pen of the Grand Matron to the members—thoughts worth pondering: "It is well in the 'wee small' hours of the year's midnight that we pause, and in the silence of personal communion ask ourselves, Have I done what I could to keep the sacred obligation of our Order? Have I protected the widow and orphan? Have I sympathized with the sorrowing and aided the unfortunate? Have I cherished and defended the character of my sisters and brothers? If not, dear members, we have not reached the height of our privilege in the Order."

Six new Chapters were instituted. Their existence was not due to solicitation, but "by voluntary application of their petitioners." Well begun! We predict efficient work and strong, desirable Chapters. The Grand Matron not only had the work and responsibility of the organization of these Chapters, but visited them later where possible, or corresponded frequently with them, proving herself a good Grand Matron to her young and a wise counselor to all.

Conditions found necessitated recommendations; the secret work, printed in full and used freely during initiation, detracted from the impressiveness of the lessons imparted; accordingly these copies were called in by the Grand Secretary and destroyed. She therefore recommended: That the full copy of the secret work be in the hands of the Grand Matron, Grand Patron, and Grand Lecturer only; that a memorial be presented to the next session of the General Grand Chapter asking that a law be promulgated restricting *all* Grand Jurisdictions in the use and distribution of the printed-in-full copy of the secret work of our Order.

The "home-coming-joy" was felt in every hearty welcome accorded her by the members, in the Chapter rooms and in their homes.

Worthy of imitation by all Knights Templars was the chivalrous act of the Albany Knights, quoted thus in the *Oregonian*:

"TOAST HONORS MASONS.

ALBANY KNIGHTS TEMPLARS ESTABLISH PRECEDENT IN CHRISTMAS EXERCISES.

"A unique feature of the Christmas exercises was the drinking a toast to the Worthy Grand Matron of the Eastern Star. It has been customary at Christmas exercises to drink toasts to the Grand Master of the Masons, but so far as known this was the first time a toast to the Grand Matron was ever given at a similar exercise."

Many Chapters invited the Grand Matron to install their officers, but she was privileged to serve only four Chapters in the capacity of installing officer. These were described.

It is pleasurable to note that her thanks are due first to her husband, who patiently bore her absence many weeks, and, second, to Sister McKinley, the Grand Secretary, that tower of strength, upon whom Grand Officers depend for assistance at all times.

Of her work now past: "There is no time to add to the acts that make up the total of results, no possibility of retouching those acts. 'As a tree falls, so must it lie.' There is no standing still in life's great battle.

'Does the road wind up the hill all the way?

Yes, to the very end.

Will the day's journey take the whole long day?

From morn to night, my friend.'"

The Grand Patron's illness precluded the possibility of active assistance in the year's work, so—"Shifted almost altogether upon the Worthy Grand Matron, the work otherwise would have fallen to my portion." He reported the six new Chapters organized by the Grand Matron at his request and felt a deep satisfaction in the general prosperity and harmony existing, all difficulties arising having been mollified through the tact of the Grand Matron, and the exercise of "that most excellent gift of charity." He recommended a general revision of the Constitution and By-Laws, annotating the various decisions rendered relating to each section, making the whole, easily, a digest as well.

A committee was appointed to make the asked-for revisions of the By-Laws, together with a complete annotation of all decisions rendered, said committee to report at the session of 1911.

The recommendation asking for provision to be made making a collective ballot legal was disapproved.

It was our pleasure to meet the genial Grand Secretary of Oregon during her visit to Los Angeles in company with Sister Bohnenkamp, Grand Ruth, so we find in her report the touch of friendly clasp of her hand.

The commissions for twenty-one Grand Representatives were issued, and fourteen received and forwarded. Sister Kingsley was their Representative near California Grand Chapter. No record of a subsequent appointment is given.

Letters of greeting were received from Sister Conkling, P. M. W. G. M. Brother Engle, R. W. A. G. P. Sister Pitkin, R. W. G. S., and Sister Chaplain, W. G. A., all of the General Grand Chapter; also from many Grand Officers of Sister Jurisdictions. Telegrams were exchanged with South Dakota and Idaho Grand Chapters, then also in session.

The Return Relief Fund sent by Brother Wood, Past Grand Patron of California, was apportioned to the one hundred and thirty-eight contributing Chapters. Number active Chapters, 85; Number U. D.'s, 6; total, 91. Membership April 30, 1910, 8,334; of these 259 are non-paying members (?). Balance on hand, \$5,173.27.

Twenty-nine Chapters have a membership exceeding 100. Martha Washington Chapter leads with 347 members, and the U. D.'s average 40 members each.

The Officers of the U. D. Chapters, who were present, were installed into their respective offices by the Grand Matron and presented with their respective charters.

By invitation, the Masons of Portland attended the evening session. At this time Grand Chapter met as a Chapter of Sorrow. Floral emblems and tributes were placed on and about the altar, as the names of those who had "passed beyond" were read. A Memorial Address was given by Sister Ryan, Past Grand Matron, and solos were impressively sung. The floral gifts, "In Memoriam," were distributed among the sick of the Order at the hospitals.

Sister Lutke, a good Samaritan, received flowers as a token of appreciation from Knowles Chapter, whose sick had received her care and love.

Election took place the afternoon of the first day's session. We noticed that Brother Boyd was elected Grand Patron, notwithstanding his enforced absence; that our Sister McKinley still labors as Grand Secretary; that promotion in Grand Office is the keynote of their success, and that the election seemed to be an order of business of part of the afternoon session.

Exemplification of the work, floral degree and vocal music, flowers and refreshments gave to the members instruction, pleasure and gastronomic satisfaction.

Balloting was exemplified by the *Grand Officers and members*.

Legislation adopted relative to the establishment of new Chapters: They must secure written consent of the Chapter nearest to and most affected, unless twenty miles distant, or where town contains 2,000 or more inhabitants, and there must be a regular Masonic body holding stated meetings in the town asking for dispensation. The elective officers must be chosen by ballot, and the minutes of the preliminary meetings be part of its records.

The prevailing impression that visiting members could vote required the following, which was presented as an amendment: "Every member of the Chapter present shall vote upon all petitions unless excused by the unanimous consent of members present; provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed as permitting or allowing any member of the Order to vote upon application for membership in any Chapter except that in which she or he holds membership."

A committee was appointed to accompany Sister Washburn and Sister Krebs to the Grand Lodge of Masons, to convey the fraternal greetings of the Grand Chapter of Oregon.

Later, visitors were announced from the Grand Lodge of Masons. Upon being admitted, the Visiting Committee, three Representatives of Grand Lodge, were welcomed and introduced. "Their amusing and interesting remarks were much enjoyed by the members."

No action had been taken by the Masonic Grand Lodge in the matter of a Masonic Home. The Grand Chapter has a nucleus of \$1,538.43 to be used for an O. E. S. Home.

The presentations of gifts, flowers, and the Past Grand Matron's jewel preceded the installation of Grand Officers. All of the new officers were presented with flowers as they reached their respective stations.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to Sister Washburn for her attendance.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Drake, submitted about 129 pages, giving splendid reviews, yet touching up with her sharp, clever sarcasm those features found in the Proceedings of the various Grand Chapters which seem to her to be weak, irregular or redundant. Keen in discrimination and strong in her assertions, she held up faults, as if for field-glass inspection. California received the following: "It would be interesting to know if it is really an honor to be a Past Associate Grand Matron or Past Associate Grand Patron. Such an honor is an empty one, even with a life vote in the Grand Chapter. We are curious

to know if the Past Grand Treasurers are given a life vote." They are. "The Grand Matron, presiding for a brief time, returned the gavel to the Grand Patron, 'with a great deal of pleasure.' Shall we take this as a confession of inability to handle such a large body?" No, indeed! Sister Johnson was obedient to existing law and knew how to submit graciously. It is always best to make a pleasure of a necessity.

Twenty-second Annual Session. Portland, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Jennie Gilham Rinchart, La Grande.

Grand Patron—Hugh J. Boyd, Portland.

Grand Secretary—Miss Nellie McKinley, 395 Eugene Street, Portland.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Stella K. Drake, Portland.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Sixteenth Annual Session. Du Bois, June 14, 15, 1910.

"The Order of the Eastern Star may rise and tower to such sublime heights that it may be viewed by all the world and yet be so firmly established as to withstand the storm of outward criticism and internal dissension."

Grand Chapter was duly opened by the Grand Matron, Sister Kibler, after which the R. W. Grand Conductress, Sister Mills, was escorted to the East and received with Grand Honors. Like courtesies awaited all Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons present.

A very interesting history of Du Bois, its charming location and rapid growth formed an interesting introduction to the address of welcome by Sister Butler, Worthy Matron of Bethany Chapter. Civic pride and love for the Order were happily mingled, and found appreciative response by the Associate Grand Matron, Sister Gelston.

That all might be included in the "glad-to-see-you," the Grand Representatives received official recognition and words of greeting. Their reply voiced their appreciation of the courtesies extended them.

The Grand Matron gave expression to the sympathy she felt for the wounded hearts, and especially mentioned the passing to the higher life of their Senior Past Grand Matron, Sister Gorman.

Her official acts had been many, beginning with the appointment of her Standing Committees and District Deputies. Eighty-one special dispensations were granted, of which thirty were to change time or place of meeting or time of opening, three to hold special meetings (reason

not given), one for "special purpose," twenty-three to elect and install out of time, seven to dispense with regular meetings, and eighteen to suspend meetings during July and August.

Vacations are scarcely fair to the "stay-at-homes," who might during the summer months be given the opportunity of serving pro tem. If given previous notice by the Worthy Matron, they could come prepared to show the ability which is latent and the Chapter and the pro tem officers be mutually benefited.

The exchange of greetings and the counsel and encouragement which the 700 letters written by the Grand Matron contained would, if known, show the varied duties of a presiding officer.

Four times she served as an installation officer, while fifteen official visits and the institution of five Chapters represented active field work.

Fourteen decisions were rendered. Among them we note: A Sister may join a Court in New York and not have her O. E. S. standing affected. The Floral Work may be given at recess, but is best given at the close of the Chapter, at which time tableaux may be given also.

A helpful, instructive address was given by Brother Martin, Grand Patron. He simply overflows in his zeal, the report covering about nine pages.

Seven new Chapters were instituted; all were recommended to receive the Charters. Three hundred letters were written.

During his twenty-six official visits, he "counselled, advised, admonished and instructed without fear or favor." Seven Chapters made him an honorary member.

Sixteen recommendations gave Grand Chapter something to think of and something to do. These were referred to the incoming committees.

Of Sister Mills, Grand Secretary and Right Worthy Grand Conductress, he said: "May she attain the goal for which she strives, and in due season that of the Most Worthy Grand Matron of the General Grand Chapter of North America, where she shall shine with honor to the Order and credit to herself and the old Keystone State."

Telegrams of greeting were exchanged with the Grand Chapters in sessions—North Carolina, Idaho, South Dakota, and Oregon.

In memoriam: A white and purple pall, covered with white peonies, was placed over the altar, and the solo "Face to Face," impressively rendered, following which was given the necrology report by Sister Robinson.

Sister Mills presented all necessary matters in a business-like way. Fifteen hundred copies of the Constitution and By-Laws had been printed and the Subordinate Chapters furnished with copies. A duplicate charter was sent gratis to University Chapter, which lost all by fire.

Invitations to this session were sent out, eliciting many courteous replies, among them one from Phineas F. Ferguson, Grand Patron of California.

Number of Chapters, 100; Number reporting, 92; total membership, 8,686; number initiated, 1,414; members in new Chapters, 300.

Sister Williams, Grand Treasurer, showed a balance of \$2581.55 in the general fund and \$80.72 in the home fund.

Desiring to purchase Past Grand Officers' jewels for twelve Past Grands, \$420 was appropriated for that purpose, the Grand Secretary having the selection in charge.

Ceremonies for Institution and Constitution were submitted and adopted. The two ceremonies are to be printed for future use and a copy of each sent to the General Grand Chapter for their approval. These were also printed with the Proceedings.

Number of Representatives and members present, 314; ninety-four Chapters and six U. D.'s. No link had been lost.

A very interesting account of the plans formulated, outings, receptions, chicken and waffle dinners, and donations by Chapters and individuals was given, together with the magnificent result of these varied activities, in the accumulated amount of \$1,607.69 toward the O. E. S. Home Fund. Grand Chapter gave their unqualified sanction and approbation.

At the election three tellers were appointed to serve for each separate election, twenty-four in all. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were re-elected and the other elective officers promoted. The Grand Sentinel, Brother Massey, was elected Associate Grand Patron and Sister Jackson, Associate Grand Conductress.

After the installation five Past Grand Patrons, each standing beside a star point, were presented with a Past Officer's jewel by the Grand Patron, Colonel Mechling. The retiring Grand Matron received her jewel in the East, and other beautiful gifts as well came to her and her faithful co-worker, Brother Martin.

The session had proven interesting and profitable, with no grievance clouds to darken the fraternal light of harmony. The reception, the exemplification, the decorated hall, and the unexpected auto ride added to the success of the session.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister M. J. Williams, presented her eighth report. In the review of forty-six Grand Jurisdictions she had tried to instruct rather than amuse and to select that which would benefit the greatest number. Our report came to her "in spotless white like our emblematic lilies." We were given a good, kind review, stating all

salient topics fairly. We like your reports and acknowledge gratefully that a generous allotment of space and careful review was given us.

For the Good of the Order, we cull from Sister Mills, Right Worthy Grand Conductress: "Owing to certain conditions existing in our Jurisdiction, we believe that a quotation from Grand Patron Lee Emmet Thomas of Louisiana will not be out of place here: 'The question is often asked, why we are not recognized by the Masons or why women are excluded from the Masonic Order. The answer is simple. Free Masonry was originally an architectural society. Women were not called of God to labor in the erection of temporal buildings, nor to use the implements of masonry. Men and women have certain distinctive qualities which determine the vocation of each. Man is distinguished by strength, courage and endurance, and the true woman by delicacy and the beauty of gentleness and modesty. Women saw and enjoyed the glory of the First Temple, though they were not its builders. Masonic ceremonies, rites, signs and symbols are adapted to men as operative Masons, and for that reason alone women are ineligible for its degrees. Masonic rites have been handed down for ages, and it is not in the power of any body of men to make innovations in the landmarks of Masonry. However, woman's heart beats responsive to man's in every good and noble work. She can materially assist in carrying into active operation the beneficent teachings of our loved Order. For you, my Sisters, the fair, beautiful handmaiden of Masonry has been created.'"

As we write the names of the Grand Matron and Grand Patron for 1910-11, we look into their pictured faces and wish them a happy and successful year.

Seventeenth Annual Session. Gettysburg, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Martha E. Gelston, 6821 Frankstown Avenue, Pittsburg.

Grand Patron—Colonel Wm. T. Mechling, P. O. Box 72, Butler.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Rata A. Mills, Duke Center.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. M. J. Williams, 7 Luzerne Avenue, Pittston.

RHODE ISLAND.

Fifteenth Annual Session. Providence, October 12, 1910.

"Unending is the work the soul presses forward to do.

Achievement remains ever short of desire."

The greeting extended to the early new-comers to the shores of Providence, "What cheer!" is still interpreted as expressive of the height of generous hospitality.

'Twas with these words that Grand Matron Myra A. Ray greeted the assembled Grand Chapter Officers and members, after the session had been opened in full form.

All Chapters were well represented; we counted the names of thirty-eight brothers out of an enrollment of 110. Twenty Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, and fifteen Grand Officers were present; the Grand Treasurer, detained by illness, was remembered with a floral message.

There are no Grand Deputies or Lecturers, the progress of the Order is in the hands of the members, led onward by the guidance and assistance of the Grand Matron, Grand Patron and Associate Grand Officers.

The dainty Report of Proceedings, just read, displays on its front cover a unique intricately wrought seal of the State and Order combined, bearing the words, "Quid clarius astris"—what brighter stars! Since "By their fruits ye shall know them," we say, "We know not; they look good to us."

Letters of greeting were received from Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron; Sister Pitkin, Right Worthy Grand Secretary; Brother Engle, now Most Worthy Grand Patron; Sister Mills, now Right Worthy Associate Grand Matron; Sister Obocock, now Right Worthy Grand Conductress, and Sister Ransford, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron; also from Grand Officers representing thirty-four jurisdictions.

Telegrams of greeting were exchanged with the Grand Chapters of Michigan and New York then in session.

Past Grand Patron of Massachusetts, Chas. A. Watts, was welcomed and introduced. Later he gave the Grand Chapter the itinerary prepared for the New England delegation to the General Grand Chapter Assembly at Jacksonville.

Appropriate ceremonies in memory of the departed ones were held.

From the Grand Matron's address we learn that in accordance with existing laws, she presided over all elections and installations,—ten in number.

Two releases of jurisdiction were secured from the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts through the Grand Secretary.

Four dispensations for the transaction of specified business at a special meeting were granted. She constituted Queen of Sheba Chapter, No. 10, a thriving Chapter; at this time she was accompanied by the Grand Patron and several Grand Officers, past and present. Though the rain came down

in torrents, yet it failed to quench the ardor of these loyal sisters and brothers, many of whom lived at great distances from the place of meeting.

Deborah Chapter, No. 9, lost its charter and meeting place through fire. Permission was given to meet in Odd Fellows Hall, and a dispensation granted to hold its regular meetings until a new charter was received.

The recommendation was made a duplicate charter be given free of charge.

Twenty-seven Grand Representatives were appointed; among them we greet the name of Mrs. Abbie E. Krebbs of California.

Many courtesies were enjoyed, all evidencing the loyalty of the members. The social visits to the Chapters were interrupted by the serious illness and subsequent death in her home, yet we find she visited all except two Chapters. On one occasion the members of her home Chapter were invited as special guests that they might enjoy the honor given their Grand Matron and sister member.

The Grand Chapter dinner is an annual adjunct to the session, accordingly the Grand Matron appointed a Committee of Arrangements, five in number, who have complete charge of the dinner. The appropriation of \$75 for this purpose insures a toothsome menu.

The Grand Matron said in closing,

"Let us dream of the ideal,
And work ceaselessly to perfect the real."

The Grand Patron, George W. Avery, did his full duty, visiting all Chapters officially and socially as well. He assisted in the constitution of the newly chartered Chapter, and instituted the new Chapter on Block Island, assisted by a corps of officers from six Chapters and many of the Grand Officers. That Chapter numbers sixty-nine,—quite a large body, we think.

He reported all the Chapters harmonious, generously hospitable and ambitiously enthusiastic.

The Grand Secretary, Brother Williams, Past Grand Patron, submitted an excellent report. All per capita tax had been promptly paid, returns received early and in good form. The membership, 1563; number Chapters, 11 (including the U. D. Chapter); receipts for year, \$397; balance in Grand Treasury, \$385.46.

Much labor of love must have been given. Grand Matron's expense account, \$20; Grand Patron's, \$2.80.

All Chapters, except one, have *one* meeting during each month. *All* meetings are held in Masonic Halls.

Rituals will be the property of the Chapters hereafter and will not be sold to members.

The Grand Matron presided during election. The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were retained, and the other elective officers progressed.

Installation of officers was followed by the usual giving of gifts and words of appropriate praise. The newly installed Grand Matron presented the retiring Grand Matron the Past Grand Matron's jewel.

The Grand Chapter closed with prayer and song.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Louise A. Babcock, Avondale, Westerly, R. I.

Grand Patron—Samuel E. Eldred, Wakefield.

Grand Secretary—S. Penrose Williams, Freemason's Hall, Providence.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Third Annual Session. Sumter, June, 21-22, 1910.

"May it shine on the mountain, cast its spell on the vale,
And its mystical radiance on all hearts prevail;
For sweet is the truth on the Ritual's page,
Seen by the rays of that magical star;
Open to those of all clime and age,
Who living and loving its clasp will unbar,
Glorious star, whose beautiful light
Scatters the darkness and illumines the night,
May the glow of its rays in all hearts be cast,
Until its truth and its beauty are understood at last."

—MARY PINCKNEY OUZTS, P. W. G. M.,
Worthy Grand Martha of G. G. C.

In opening this volume with its rich green colored cover, we begin at once to speculate on what the ambitious "baby" has accomplished. The bright young face of Mrs. Tallulah Cudd greets us. Like a curious child we hunt for her co-worker, and are pleased to find not only the strong face of a thinker, but that of his wife.

Called to order by the Grand Matron, Sister Anderson, the Grand Chapter was led in prayer by Dr. Brown, pastor of Sumter.

Mayor Jennings then extended the welcome of the City of Sumter, and Mayor Baker of the City of Greenwood responded. In behalf of the local Chapter a beautiful greeting was extended, ending in the following jolly strains: "You will find here the Old Game Cock perched on the top-most branch of the old palmetto tree, and his clarion note rings pure, clear and true, 'Welcome, welcome, welcome, representatives of the Eastern Star, to the Game Cock City.' While as guests you are ours, please remember as hosts we are yours. Use us!"

The Associate Grand Matron, Sister Tallulah Cudd, replied in appreciative expressions of the assurances received and generous hospitality they knew awaited Grand Chapter, closing with these words by Robert Morris:

"So shall this conclave of the Eastern Star
Be like the gatherings where angels are;
So shall one purpose occupy each heart,
And give full consolation ere we part,
While every evil thought shall fade away,
And naught remain but one perpetual day."

Hearty was the welcome given to the Grand Representatives to their deliberations. This thought was made manifest:

"That life is worth living which is devoted in making life better."

"Let us not be all at once, and nothing first;
Just like bubbles when they burst."

"That the world may be better, and brighter by far,
Because of the work of the Eastern Star."

From the Worthy Grand Patron, D. A. G. Ouzts, came a response of strength, beauty and instruction, worthy of repetition in its entirety. He stated: "Eastern Star is Masonry superfined. German mythology says that when God started to create man, He called his attributes about him and to Truth he asked if He should make man. Truth replied, 'Create him not. He will disobey thy laws and trample them under foot.' To Justice he asked if He should make man. Justice replied, 'Create him not, he will bathe his hands in human blood and destroy thy law.' To Mercy He said, 'Shall we make man?' Gentle Mercy kneeling at the throne replied, 'O create him Father, and I will follow him, by his errors and his struggles shall he gain wisdom, and I will bring him back to Thee regenerated.' Thus man was made against the advice of Truth and Justice, and on the pleadings of Mercy. The Eastern Star, like

gentle Mercy, kneeling at the throne, is following men, and Masons, teaching all to lead better lives, and that by practicing its precepts we may be able to find an entrance into the Temple and City of our God."

All who were not Eastern Star members were now asked to retire, and Grand Chapter was opened in regular form. Three Grand Officers were absent.

Brother Michie, Past Most Worthy Grand Master, F. and A. M., of South Carolina, and Brother Boggs, Past Grand Patron, were received by the Grand Matron and accorded the Grand Honors.

Sister Anderson, Grand Matron, gave in opening the need of union in effort: "We must work together, always together for the uplift of our Order."

The great loss sustained in the death of Sister Mary Pinckney Ouzts, Past Grand Matron, was given partial expression as follows:

"Strong and beautiful in character, swift in sympathy and help, a responsive heart, open to all the needs of those around her. Born to lead and encourage, just the one for the work that was given her, bringing order out of chaos, perfecting the organization of thirteen Chapters of this State, and putting them in working order for their future advancement. She was also Worthy Grand Martha of the General Grand Chapter, and her influence and power were felt outside her own State, where she had done so much."

To be worthy of the Order, and all it stands for, it is necessary that each realizes that it is woman's work and should be dignified and beautified; man may plan, but the highest efforts are attained through woman's aid.

"They talk about a woman's sphere,
As though it had a limit;
There's not a place in earth or heaven,
There's not a task to mankind given,
There's not a blessing, or a woe,
There's not a whispered 'yes' or 'no,'
There's not a life, or death or birth
That has a feather's weight of worth,
Without a woman in it."

Her circular letter expressed the desire to help weak Chapters, and asked that a visit be arranged and the request sent early. If no visit could be arranged, she desired to hear from them. The whole breathed true fraternalism.

The death of Sister Ouzts was announced by memorials sent to all Grand Jurisdictions and to all the Subordinate Chapters.

A Mason, named Powers, conferred Eastern Star degrees at a picnic, teaching from an old manual he possessed. The clandestine degree worker was punished by having charges preferred. Having been found guilty, he expressed contrition, and promised to do so no more. A reprimand by the Worthy Matron was the penalty fixed. A similar offense will hereafter receive expulsion as its speedy punishment.

New Year and Easter greetings, the appointment of twenty-four Grand Representatives, and the appointment of Deputies to constitute Chapters called for much thought and correspondence; she also divided the State into eighteen districts, and with the assistance of the Grand Patron, appointed a District Deputy for each; of these, thirteen were brothers, believing that they could work up Eastern Stars in their districts, as these districts corresponded with the Masonic Lodge districts, *they* were chosen in preference to the sisters.

The By-Laws of six new Chapters were approved, and three Chapters constituted; one charter was arrested and demits granted to ten of its members. She had the pleasure of visiting nine Chapters officially. Three dispensations were granted "to receive and act on petition at one communication,"

"Masonic Home Day" is to be observed annually as a day on which to raise funds for the benefit of the Home.

Suggestions were given for improvement of work: Study of Ritual and Law; punctuality; free discussion on all questions and willing submission to the result of the vote taken; no gossip about the work outside of Chapter.

"The brightest banner must be upheld loyally, protected and defended by all, not by a few, but by all, united in purpose, ever pressing onward."

The Grand Patron, Brother Ouzts, gave a masterful address of eleven pages, giving much symbolic history as well as an enthusiastic account of the Order's progress. He recalled its organization, its Grand Chapter of three years ago, its discouragements and its success. Growing at the rate of nearly 400 each year, it had also grown in interest and enthusiasm. All must work to make sure the success.

"Three or four officers cannot make the Order of the Eastern Star what it should be. The Grand Chapter expects every member to do his share. The victory is 'only sweet to those who strive.'"

The Fraternal Correspondent was learned to be an unaffiliated Mason of over one year. He was therefore deprived of his appointment; his name was stricken from the roll of Grand Chapter and from his Chapter, considering that "if he will not keep up his Masonic connection, he is

neither entitled nor worthy to remain a member of the Eastern Star."

Dispensations were granted, and ten Chapters instituted. He gives full account of each.

The Masons of South Carolina have accumulated \$30,000 towards a \$50,000 Masonic Home. The Chapters have been invited to help. During the year \$219.70 was received for this purpose from the various Chapters. Their own Charity Fund, \$137.85, was out at interest; it received an addition at this time of ten cents per capita, or about \$156; total, \$293.85.

He recommended the installation of the officers of newly chartered Chapters at the Grand Chapter session. They could then receive their books and charter and be ready for work; the Grand Matron's visit to them could be timed at her convenience.

The election of a Grand Lecturer was advised, he to hold Schools of Instruction at central points, calling the several nearby Chapters to meet for a profitable district school.

His closing history of the Order of the Eastern Star and Masonry lead one into the inner sanctuary of Masonic symbolism, from the known Pent-alpha to the Tent-alpha, or Star in the East. The five heroines, and the five noted Masonic characters were described.

His pamphlet, "What the Eastern Star is Doing for Masonry," is given entire. In this he tells what the Eastern Star is and what it has done. It has raised \$423,338.86 to be used for charity. What each State has done is given. Of California he says: "California has two Masonic Homes, which the Masons support themselves by levying \$1.00 per member. The Eastern Star has raised \$12,000 to build a Home themselves."

The rest of the pamphlet is of local interest, prepared with the view of interesting the Masons of South Carolina in the work of the Order of the Eastern Star.

The Grand Secretary gives the membership report as follows: Initiated, 650; affiliated, 6; dimitted, 13; suspended, 40. Total membership, April 30, 1910, 1562, a net gain during the year of 515 members. Number of Chapters, 35. The cash account as rendered by the Grand Treasurer gave as a balance \$629.69.

Thirty Chapters sent in reports, giving their financial and social condition, number of initiations, donations made, etc.

A beautiful gavel was presented to Grand Chapter by Brother Ouzts. It was made from the heart of a cedar which formerly stood in the center of old Star Fort, used in the Revolutionary War. Its shape is pentagonal. The thought and gift emanated from Sister Ouzts; the workmanship was by one of her pupils. The mystic five he explained: "Five

degrees in the Order, five relations to Masons, five emblems, five colors, five letters, five words, five signs, five heroines, five beautiful lessons. The Masons have the five-pointed star as one of their emblems,—five orders of architecture, five points, five steps, five human senses. By sight we see the signs; hearing, hear the words; feeling, feel the grip; tasting, taste the joys of life, seasoned by sweet-smelling incense, vouchsafed to those who heed our teachings and live pure and upright lives."

Inscription on gavel, "Gavel made of cedar from Old Star Fort, at suggestion of Mrs. Mary P. Ouzts, P. W. G. M. Presented by D. A. G. Ouzts, W. G. P., June, 1910. Grand Chapter organized June 1, 1907, Greenwood, S. C."

The acceptance by the Grand Matron was a sweet, dainty tribute to the departed, attributing her every act and thought to the guidance of the great motor force of love which dominated her at all times.

Special memorial services in her memory followed, tender and loving; these took active hold on Grand Chapter, resulting in the adoption of resolutions. The fitting up of a room at the Masonic Home to be known as "Mary Pinckney Ouzts Room," and the preparation of a portrait to be presented to Grand Chapter next session, that the said portrait be hung in the room that the Grand Chapter proposes to furnish, were adopted.

Greenwood Chapter, No. 1, asked to have their name changed to Mary Pinckney Ouzts Chapter, No. 1, and that their charter be changed to conform to the resolution. Adopted unanimously.

The necessary readings and resolution had passed in Greenwood Chapter.

The exemplification of the work by Bue Clare Chapter was impressive.

Charters were granted nine U. D. Chapters, and three Chapters were reported as dead. Action was advised.

The Committee on Charity recommended the raising of \$1,000 during the coming year for the furnishing of the room in memory of Sister Ouzts.

Election gave the choice for Grand Matron, Sister Cudd; for Grand Patron, Brother Ouzts, re-elected.

The retiring Grand Matron, Sister Anderson, was the recipient of a jewel, the expense of which was limited to \$100.

The installation was in charge of the Grand Matron. The newly installed Grand Matron made known her committees and Deputies, after which Grand Chapter closed regularly.

Fraternal correspondence was in good hands. Her introduction gave some general information. She thinks it unfortunate that so few have access to the Proceedings. Just a hint: We have the report of Foreign Correspondence, Addresses and Reports in pamphlet form, and distribute them to all members in attendance at Grand Chapter. She views California with eyes of a friend, looking for and finding the good. Special mention is made of Sister Krebs, she having visited South Carolina Grand Chapter at its Spartanburg session. Her donation to the Masonic Home was also remembered. Sister Williford may not consider herself a good reviewer, but we have found few better, and none more conscientious and kind.

Fourth Annual Session. Laurens, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Tallulah Cudd, Spartanburg.

Grand Patron—D. A. G. Ouzts, Greenwood.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Agnes R. Swygert, Laurens.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Twenty-second Annual Session. Pierre, June 14, 15, 16, 1910.

"I asked this year for some motto sweet,
Some rule of life by which to guide my feet;
I asked, and paused, it answered from afar,—
'Follow the teachings of the Eastern Star.'"

This convention was held in the Auditorium, and was called to order by Brother Fletcher, the Grand Patron, who directed the Associate Grand Conductress to invite the Grand Matron and Associate Grand Officers to enter the Grand Chapter room.

They executed an "Introductory March" on entering, which was an agreeable surprise.

Representatives of seventy-five Chapters in attendance.

Grand Honors were accorded the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons, after which they were welcomed by the Grand Patron, not only because they were loved, but because the Grand Chapter needed their wise counsel. Two were presented with Past Grand Matrons' jewels.

The "Welcome to Pierre" was very cleverly given by Dr. Mary N. Farr, Past Grand Matron. In preparation for their guests they had cut over the sleeves of their last year's gowns, cleaned house, raked the

door-yards, filled the pantries with toothsome edibles, and donning their springtime green, so to speak, stood all smiling to give their sisters and brothers the glad hand.

Though woman's age is not generally heralded, she informed the dear brothers that Ruth was the great-great-grandmother of their King Solomon.

In response, Sister Morse hoped much for the Order. Built on the foundations of Truth and Faith, a temple whose walls are Hope, and whose entrance is Love, is being built. All were admonished to be mindful of their sacred obligations, their exalted privileges and grave responsibilities. These should ever be guarded with the sleepless vigilance of the angel with the flaming sword.

The Grand Representatives received proper recognition and the courtesies of the Grand East, accompanied with cordial welcome, which was ably answered by Sister Hoon. A news item from each State represented was also given.

Though the half was not told, it required twenty-five pages to give the Grand Matron's message of love and labor to Grand Chapter. It has proven a most interesting address and has caused repeated turning of pages to again look at the calm, white-haired, clear-eyed, gentle lady. She felt, during the year, the delightful sensation of being busy about the world's work; throughout it all, the flecks of small clouds, the unevenness of the road, had been met by the outstretched hand of encouragement and co-operation.

Circular letters, expressive of the present conditions, history of the past years, and the hoped-for future were sent to all the Chapters.

Each was a beautiful communication, filled with sweetly worded advice and gentle admonition. One of these contained a plea for donations to the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, especially on Robert Morris Day, August 31st; another request for contributions for the same purpose followed later. As the result of these, \$324.98 was added to the Fund.

Sixty-six Chapters were visited officially and each was thoroughly enjoyed; nineteen Grand Representatives were appointed and thirty-two dispensations granted; among these we find the following: "Is it proper that Adah should wear the veil, and give the sign during the lecture?" "My judgment is that she should not. The Ritual states the time when the sign is given. If it had been intended that the sign should be given twice by Adah, the Ritual would have provided for it."

"Have you any objection of our Chapter taking up a pass word to purge the Chapter?" "The General Grand Chapter has decided that it is in violation to the Ritual to do so, therefore I cannot give you my consent."

"You cannot use a substitute, as you cannot install by proxy."

Six requests for dispensation were refused, not being considered cases of emergency or for the good of the Order.

The Grand Matron enjoyed attending the Minnesota Grand Chapter session at St. Paul, but deplored their short opening, and expressed the thought that members attending Grand Chapter expect to see perfect exemplification of Ritualistic work.

Two excellent recommendations were given: That the names of applicants for the degrees be not reported to outsiders until they have been elected to receive them, and that Chapters open on time.

"The year of service as a Grand Matron means much. One becomes so chastened and mellowed, yet withal so strengthened and clear-sighted, that ever after judgment is tempered with mercy and criticism is softened by sympathy and understanding."

Herbert S. Fletcher speaks for himself in his likeness, which precedes his address, and most excellently so, in the record of his faithful year's service. Happiness was expressed that he had been, holding the office while one of the grandest sisters in the State was Grand Matron; the labors of the year had been pleasant; five Chapters had been instituted and seven constituted.

At a joint meeting for the purpose of a public installation was held by the Royal Arch Masons of Watertown Chapter, with Kampeski Lodge, A. F. and A. M., and Vesta Chapter, O. E. S., their guest. To the Grand Patron was accorded the honor of installing the officers of Vesta Chapter, which was his home Chapter. The unusual privilege was enjoyed of initiating his own daughter, and later of installing her into office.

Sister Williams, the most necessary factotum of South Dakota Grand Chapter, gives an interesting accounting of the varied duties performed.

One thousand copies of "History of Grand Chapter," by Mary Brown, were printed and distributed.

Balance in General Fund, \$2,265.71; total in Home Fund, \$4,650.95.

There were ninety-eight chapters; seventy-five were represented at the session. Membership, 7,253, with 790 initiated.

Three Chapters gave up the struggle for existence; and thirty-nine candidates were rejected. If only the foolish black-ball wielders could see the far-reaching results of their acts, by the light of the X-ray of public opinion and be brought back to a just appreciation of the sacred obligation they have taken, then our grand Order could bear better fruit. They remind me of the blighting scale, only we can't find the cure.

We feel a personal interest in this Grand Jurisdiction somehow. Having lived in Kimball a year, we are, in consequence, gratified by your success.

The tabulations show the growth to have been general, the greatest being in Capital City, where a net gain of thirty-nine is shown, with no dimits, suspensions or rejections. Sioux Falls contains the banner Chapter. Jasper No. 8 had 363 members, and a net gain of thirty.

A committee from the Grand Lodge, A. F. and A. M., visited Grand Chapter, and the call was returned by a committee of three sisters. What fortunate, congenial conditions! No Masonic antagonism to overcome,—they travel hand in hand in the good work.

Communications of greeting were read from eight General Grand Chapter Officers, and forty-eight similar missives were received from other Grand Jurisdictions.

The Grand Representative for Florida gave a copy of her address before Florida Grand Chapter. It was a brief history of the Grand Chapter of South Dakota, presented in an interesting form and was much enjoyed.

Five new Chapters received their Charters. Their officers, present, the five Worthy Matrons, were installed by the Grand Patron, saying in conclusion: "Be ye faithful to the end, until the Chapter of your earthly sojourn is closed, for in the words of a good Mason:

"There's a world where all are equal,
We are traveling toward it fast.
We shall meet upon the level then,
When the gates of death are passed.
We shall stand before the Orient,
And our Master will be there,
Our work to try, our lives to prove,
By His unerring square."

Dr. Bantan's solo, the Chaplain's report and prayer, the quartet "Asleep in Jesus," and the beautiful carnations and ferns on the altar, all combined to make the memorial service comforting to the living.

An evening with Capital City Chapter proved profitable and enjoyable. The Ritual work was exemplified, then "The Mystic Tie" was beautifully presented, and in closing the officers marched through different forms, spelling the name of the Grand Matron on the floor. Storms of applause followed.

By scanning the election results, we find the Grand Chapter advanced their Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron, retained their

Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and elected four new Grand Officers.

An appeal was taken from the decision of the Grand Patron, that two members of new Chapters were not charter members because they were not present at its institution. The decision was sustained.

Nothing appeared requiring special legislation, and the Grand Chapter resolved itself, temporarily, into a gift-giving, thanks-giving, mutual admiration society, in which silver ware, jewelry, flowers, and Grand Officers' jewels all had their part.

With prayer and "God be With You," Grand Chapter closed.

The Fraternal Correspondent, the present Grand Matron, Sister Morse, submitted the reviews of forty-nine Grand Chapter sessions. As a preparation for her work as Grand Matron, this was certainly the best possible schooling. The long hours of toil will give results which will prepare her to meet emergencies. California, 1909, receives her careful attention. We kindly acknowledge the same, and hope 1910-11 will be one of the very best years of her life.

Twenty-third Annual Session. Chamberlain, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Alice H. Morse, Faulkton.

Grand Patron—Dr. B. M. Banton, Yankton.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Angie L. Williamson, Madison.

Fraternal Correspondent, Mrs. Florence Hoon, Armour.

TENNESSEE.

Tenth Annual Session. Nashville, January 25, 26, 1910.

This Grand Jurisdiction meets annually at Nashville. An informal reception is provided for by a yearly appropriation of \$50.00. The place of meeting was the Odd Fellows Hall. At the opening of Grand Chapter, by the Grand Matron, Sister Eva C. Bishop, all Grand Officers except three appointives, five Past Grands, and 163 Representatives from seventy Chapters, including eighteen U. D.'s, were in attendance.

The usual reception with Grand Honors awaited the Past Grands, who were welcomed to their midst with, "You are our guiding stars, our source of strength and wisdom. We turn to you for counsel and advice and always receive a hearty response."

Sister Martin, Past Grand Matron, whose sweet, patient picture illumines the Proceedings with its rays of love, gave in reply, that while loving new friends, that

"Old scenes, old friends will lovelier be,
The more of heaven in each we see."

In glancing through the Proceedings, we were pleased to find the new Grand Matron's and Grand Patron's portraits, as well as those of the guiding stars of 1909.

With greetings and Grand Honors the Grand Representatives were given the courtesy of the East, and becoming thanks returned.

Though time was passing the delegates and visitors received the Nashville welcome with many assurances of hospitable, pleasurable anticipations. Response given by the Associate Grand Matron. She was in a thoughtful mood. The correlations of the three elements of human welfare, physical, mental and spiritual, led to a review of what had been accomplished for each; the physical foundation, the mental structure, the resultant promotion of spiritual uplift.

"'Tis here we feel the uplift that makes us love our neighbors as ourselves; 'tis here our hearts grow warmer, and 'tis here we are engaged in furthering human progress in the uplift of humanity."

The Grand Matron, Sister Bishop, sent circular letters of love and cheer. She reviewed the specific work for the Home during the year just past,—the furnishing of the "Old Woman's Building." This year the Board of Control asked the Eastern Star to help by furnishing electric lights.

By means of two circular letters, detailing plans and encouraging the Chapters, the Masonic Home Fund, donated for electric lighting purposes, amounted to \$654.88. Of this, \$447.83 was paid to the Masonic Home Committee, and the lighting installed at a cost of \$943.57.

The Finance Committee arranged for the transfer of \$204.93 Home Fund in City Savings Bank, to the Board of Masonic Home.

Many commissions of special Deputies for the institution of new Chapters and the installation of their officers were given. Special dispensation to receive and ballot same evening, or to initiate a candidate without waiver of jurisdiction was refused. Twenty-one requests for legalized dispensation were granted.

Her visits, officially and socially, were much fewer, because of raiz and swollen streams. Twenty visits were made, and much assistance rendered. The true condition of each Chapter was stated. Where the

Ritual was used, whether or not interest was shown, the attendance and all were frankly yet kindly stated and advice given. In two Chapters the absence of the Patron prevented the exemplification of the work.

Her recommendations were all good, but of local interest. Her "Dont's" are good for us all.

If you read from the Ritual, don't; the beauty and solemnity of the work is lost upon the candidate. If you keep your Chapter waiting for one tardy officer, don't; failure to open on time frequently causes members to stay away.

If you discuss the faults of a sister or brother, don't; it can't help them and may hurt you both by marring your friendship for each other.

If you have a written or type-written copy of the secret word, don't; it is against the law,—burn it.

If you would use the black ball to satisfy a spite or grudge, don't; ever keep the good of the Order in mind.

If you discuss the transactions of the Chapter in public, don't; the public has no right to know and it is hurtful to the Order.

The opportunity of inspecting several Masonic and Eastern Star papers was afforded. The help and inspiration their perusal gave was presented and the hope entertained that all would subscribe to some Eastern Star periodical.

The Home was visited by the Grand Chapter members. Over 100 children are cared for there.

In commendation of the Grand Patron, she informed Grand Chapter that what would be flattery to others would be but weak praise of him, for his every act had been prompted by the principles of love, honor and justice.

As we gaze into the pictured features of Frank E. Bartley, Grand Patron of 1909, we can almost see the qualities attributed. Of his work he says: "I knew the work was heavy, but it was far more than I had expected; yet it was a labor of love, and every day I have become more attached to it." He proudly reports peace, harmony and remarkable growth.

Eighteen dispensations for new Chapters had been granted and nineteen instituted, one being arranged for by his predecessor; seven Chapters were visited; by the authority of the Grand Matron he had constituted and installed the officers of two Chapters, and installed those of his own Chapter.

Recommendations were offered, looking to the proper adjustment of expenses incurred by officers in organizations, constitutions, etc.

Sister Mary R. Forbes, Grand Secretary, 1900-1910, has given us the opportunity of looking at her, as it were, while reading her report, which with the year's work has come "swift as a weaver's shuttle."

Number of chartered Chapters, 62; U. D.'s 18; membership, 3,677; net gain, 766; suspended, 101; largest Chapter, Memphis, No. 62,—214 members; banner for largest increase during year, May Chapter, No. 24,—44 members gained; only one Chapter defunct.

The granting of eighteen charters and the installation of twenty officers of U. D. Chapters was a pleasant, gratifying feature of the day's session.

A new Constitution and By-Laws was adopted.

Seven Grand Chapter dimitts were granted.

Sixty-three Grand Officers, representing forty-three Grand Jurisdictions, sent greetings, Sister Rosa J. Burns, Grand Matron, and Kate J. Willats among the number.

The Committee on Memorial prepared and carried out an impressive program. The eulogy by Brother McClister was a tender reference to the dead and a message to the living.

"Let us meet upon the level then, while laboring patient here;
Let us meet and let us labor, though the labor be severe.
Already in the Western sky the signs bid us prepare
To gather up our working tools, and part upon the square."

"Our Heavenly Father has called the sainted and beloved mother of our Worthy Grand Matron to her reward in the blissful abode of the blest,

"Therefore, be it resolved, That a page of our Proceedings be set apart to the memory of Sister Mary Eliza Cline, with the poem to her memory composed by Sister Allie M. Lippincott inscribed thereon."

An evening session provided the opportunity of observing the Ritualistic work by Milan Chapter, No. 51.

The pleasant innovation, the "Penny March," netted \$17.60 for the Home Fund.

Ways and means of maintaining interest, and raising money for charity purposes were discussed. Brother Woodward, of May Chapter, showed the quilt on which his Chapter realized over \$100, and presented it to the Masonic Home; the money had preceded it. His address, of over three pages, was, throughout, a glorious eulogy of woman's achievements for the betterment of the world. Of the Home he said: "This Home has, up to this date, cost in money \$200,000; a large sum, indeed. In the face of these figures, I will assert that if but one pure girl has been

saved from degradation, if but one boy has been rescued from a life of crime, if but one soul has been saved for humanity and God, if but one tear has been dried and sorrow comforted, this money has been well spent." The quilt was accepted with fitting thanks by Brother Williams in behalf of the Masonic Home.

The presentation of the Grand Matron's jewel was the first Order of Business of the second day's session.

The Grand Patron's address was short and closed with:

"The large are not the loveliest flowers,
The long are not the sweetest hours;
Much words do not much friendship tell;
Few words are best,—we wish you well."

Committee on Finance reported \$680.14 in the General Fund and \$144.09 in the Masonic Home Fund.

Two tellers and two clerks were appointed and the motion prevailed that "Nominations for elective offices be in order."

The result of the ballot advanced the Associate Grand Matron and Associate Grand Patron, and Grand Conductress, re-elected the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer; the remaining three Grand Officers undoubtedly had sharp competition.

The Grand Officers were publicly installed. The Daughters of Rebekah were in attendance, by invitation, and Sister Lippincott gave a recital from "Les Miserables."

Past Grand Matron, Sister Martin, reviewed forty-five Grand Chapters; the conscientious bravery with which the Grand Matron's performed their duties impressed her; her work had "been a labor of love." One page records the pertinent part of the Proceedings of California, Grand Chapter, 1909. She says of the change permitting the Grand Matron to preside a portion of the time, "Something of an innovation for California." We regret that Tennessee was omitted. Our correspondent would not have willingly neglected any duty, much less the pleasure of Tennessee's review.

Eleventh Annual Session. Nashville, January, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Lydia M. Raines, Raines.

Grand Patron—Prof. Joe Sims, Lawrenceburg.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Mary R. Forbs, 305½ 5th Ave., N. Nashville.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Ophelia Allen, Hartsville.

TEXAS.

Twenty-eighth Annual Session. Austin, October 11, 12, 13, 1910.

What a beautiful volume! In pure white with the emblematic star in its colors clearly shown; above this in dainty blue the capitol, while below the laurel wreath embraces the star, as though it would crown it for virtue, zeal and well doing.

In the Senate Chamber of the Capitol, this Grand Chapter found their session most propitiously placed.

Upon assuming their stations, the Grand Officers and members and visitors were welcomed by the Secretary of State, Hon. W. B. Townsend, who spoke in behalf of the State. Dr. Briggs was then introduced. He extended the welcome of the Masonic bodies. Mayor Woolridge gave the cordial welcome of Austin, and the Worthy Matron, Sister Templar, gave the Grand Chapter gracious, happy welcome in behalf of Austin Chapter, saying in closing, "Thy people are my people and thy God my God."

To the Associate Grand Matron came the honorable duty of responding to the above mentioned speakers. We quote: "We were glad to come to your city, but now our pleasure has been quadrupled by kind words from the State, City, Masonic bodies, and the Order of the Eastern Star."

"Then here's to those whose loving hearts
Shed light and joy about them;
Thanks be to them for countless gems,
We ne'er had known without them.
"Oh! this should be a happy world
To all who may partake it;
The fault's our own if it is not,—
This world is what we make it."

At the close of her address, all but members retired. Sister Hart, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, and Dr. McDaniel, Past Right Worthy Grand Chaplain, were escorted East and accorded Grand Honors. Twenty Past Grand Matrons and Patrons received like courtesies, and to all were addressed beautiful words of welcome by the Grand Patron, Brother Glasscock, to which the Senior Past Grand Matron, Sister Talbot, gave a short response of thanks.

The Credential Committee reported the roll of membership, of which the following is the summary: Chapters represented, 295; Chapters U. D. represented, 34; Chapters not represented, 98; U. D.'s not represented, 9; total, 436 Chapters.

Voting power—Number Matrons present, 129; number of Past Matrons present, 26; number Past Grand Matrons present, 10; number Past Grand Patrons present, 11; number of Grand Officers present, 18; total number Chapter votes, 584; total votes of Grand Chapter, 778.

The Worthy Grand Matron Carrie B. Lane's address gave ample evidence of a year's faithful service for the Good of the Order. In her appointment of Standing Committees, the sisters are chairmen, and we find a Past Grand included in each committee except two. Among the forty Grand Representatives appointed, is the name of one of our best loved sisters, Mary E. Partridge, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron. One hundred and thirty-seven special dispensations were granted, and eight refused,—twice, to permit the election of another Secretary; once, an Associate Conductress; she refused to permit an election before the regular time; also to ballot at a call meeting. The reception of a petition of "a gentleman and a lady who traveled about all the time, never in one place very long," was refused also.

Seven Chapters lost their charters by fire. The Grand Secretary was instructed to furnish necessary supplies free of charge, and they were given duplicate charters.

Chapter organizations were numerous; through the efforts of the Deputies, forty-two asked for and received dispensations. Their institution and instruction were intrusted to those who were instrumental in their organization.

Five District Deputy Grand Matrons, representing the Northeast, Northwest, Southeast, Southwest, and Central portions of the State, were appointed and given the assistance of Special Deputies, twenty-nine in number. By careful inspection, we find fourteen Grand Officers and two Past Grands doing valiant field service, the Grand Matron and Grand Patron laboring in the vineyard with the others.

Though their united efforts, 295 visits were made, and forty-three Chapters organized; also one Chapter revived. The miles of travel by the Grand Matron was 7,000, and by her Deputies, 16,460.

Communications written by the Grand Matron numbered 4,400, and by her able assistants, 1,270.

Schools of Instruction, and Instruction Sessions numbered eighty-one, and still many were left weak in the work. Apparently Texas is a ripe field for O. E. S. work, but death, lack of interest and adverse conditions, such as droughts, removal, etc., cut wide swaths of harm to the Order. During the twenty-eight years of its existence as a Grand Chapter, the list of demised Chapters has reached 252, an average of nine each year. From the Credential Report, and the Deputies' unsuccessful attempts, in many instances, to get replies or quorums, when on

the ground, we fear the field will need the cultivation of strong, tactful work; sowing seeds of love for the Order, by their earnest example. Grand Chapter shows generosity in financially assisting its workers. We predict added interest in the less fortunately placed Chapters. The average membership is about thirty-eight, exclusive of the two large Chapters at Fort Worth, which number 460 and 431 respectively. About thirty Chapters had no initiations, having apparently been dormant, besides these we find 133 Chapter numbers omitted in the Roster.

Sister Lane and her Deputies did a great year's work. Chapters were visited in remote districts and much needed assistance given.

Certificates of proficiency in secret work were granted to 345 members of Grand Chapter, and additional Certificates on Ritualistic work were given, stating the *grade* obtained by each. Forty-five were presented; of these twenty were ranked 100 per cent and seventeen received 95 per cent or above.

Decisions are rendered by both the Grand Matron and Patron, they agreeing as to each; yet the law gives an opportunity for a conflict of opinions. Questions of eligibility included inquiries as to nieces and grand-daughters.

It was not considered necessary nor required of a Worthy Matron to step down from her station to shake hands with the candidates during the closing of her last address.

In examining a visitor, the possession of the *password* by such person is not full evidence; an examination and test oath must be required also.

The password is not to be taken up in opening a Chapter.

The following recommendation was adopted: When a candidate for office in a subordinate Chapter is nominated, before any motion is made to elect by acclamation, or that the nominations be closed, the Worthy Matron shall pause and ask three times, in an audible voice, "Are there other nominations?" If not, then the motion would be in order for nominations to close. It was recommended also, that the party so nominated be elected by acclamation, and that the Secretary be instructed to cast, and announce the result of the vote of the Chapter for such an election in an audible voice.

Telegrams of greeting were exchanged with New York, Michigan and Rhode Island Grand Chapters then in session.

Sister Leonard, Grand Secretary had a busy year: 3000 copies of Constitution and By-Laws were printed and the necessary distribution made; Charters for 78 Chapters were engrossed and forwarded, also 7 duplicates; 1200 copies of the Proceedings printed and distributed,

as had been customary; 42 dispensations for New Chapters, produced a total of \$1,428, at \$34 each; 63 Grand Dimits were issued at \$1 each; 946 Rituals were sold, receipts, \$744.85.

She received reports from 370 Chartered Chapters and 38 U. D.'s out of 512 Chartered and 42 U. D.'s.

The Charity Fund, \$13,537.34. This will be augmented by the surplus remaining in the General Fund after reserving \$2,500 for current expenses; and deducting \$800 for the District Deputies, \$3,486.80 mileage, \$50 for Grand Matron's jewel, \$600 for Grand Matron, and \$300 for the purchase of Christmas presents for the children at the Masonic Home, besides other items, also enumerated.

Three appeals were made, one from the action of the Chapter, expelling a sister for slandering another sister;—the action was sustained.

The slandered sister was assaulted by another of her sisters; she caused that offender to be expelled by the Chapter;—the action was sustained.

A brother was expelled from the same Chapter upon the charge of slandering the Secretary, a brother;—the expulsion was sustained.

The balance returned by Brother Wood, of the California Relief Fund, was placed in the Charity Fund.

The Grand Chapter put itself on record as being opposed to the Resolution proposed by the Grand Chapter of Scotland, to insert in its application blank the assertion: "The Order of the Eastern Star is a purely Christian Order," which would practically prohibit all persons of Jewish persuasion from joining our Order; they instructed their delegates to the General Grand Chapter to oppose the measure.

Forty-three Charters were granted .

Grand Chapter Officers conferred the degrees on two candidates for Austin Chapter.

The second evening session was held for the dual purpose of a memorial service, and also a reception to the Grand Representatives.

The Grand Officers executed a fancy drill on entering, then remained standing during the Report of the Necrology Committee.

A beloved Past Grand Patron, "Uncle Tom" Murrah, a pioneer in the Order, was one of those who had answered the call. "The opportunity that to-day brings us will never be ours again."

I might have said a word of cheer
Before I let him go,
His weary vistage haunts me yet,
But how could I foreknow
That slightest chance would be the last
To me in mercy given?
My utmost earnings can't send now
That word from earth to heaven."

The Grand Patron unveiled the broken column of evergreen, the Grand Matron deposited a wreath, and each officer, a tiny sago palm in his memory.

The Memorial Address by Sister Hart, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, was unusual, philosophic, and original in its search of the inner thoughts that come to us all, when we stand in the presence of death, or aid in memorial services.

An entertainment, compiled by Sister Walker, the Fraternal Correspondent, was given by the Grand Representatives, including all the Grand Chapters.

Ushered in by six Conductresses, who carried garlanded wands, they were welcomed and seated; the Conductresses then executed a fancy march. Welcome and response were given, after which the Representatives were escorted two by two, presented the banner of the State each represented, and conducted to the East, where each, in turn, recited words taken from *her* Grand Matron's Address. They then deposited their banners in the arch of evergreen. To crown all, the Grand Patron, after a stirring address, placed the Star Spangled Banner as a pinnacle of the Arch, and all sang "America." The whole is given in the Proceedings. Sister Annie Marie Johnson's beautiful thoughts formed part; Sister Hoskins, our Representative, stated our membership, and that \$12,000 had been raised for an Eastern Star Home, as part of her report.

Sister Walker's reviews of 45 Grand Jurisdictions were short, confining herself chiefly to what was done, and who did it, yet the reviews are good.

This volume has proven so interesting that the review has become lengthy. We found so much to linger over:—the good strong half-tone likeness of the late Tom Murrah, the splendid group of Grand Officers, who worked so hard during the year, and the faithful features of the Grand Matron and Grand Patron, give almost a life-touch to all the Proceedings.

Election must have been a pleasure, the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer were retained, and the other elective officers advanced.

Brother Heil became Associate Grand Patron, and Sister Chase Associate Grand Conductress.

Sister Walker installed the Grand Officers, using a beautiful Installation Ceremony; she recited a poem while installing the Points of the Star.

The Past Grand Matron, Sister Lane, received her jewel of office; the new Grand Patron was made custodian of the gold-headed cane, the Grand Patron's gift in trust, and all were given gifts, or gave them. Quite a Santa Claus time, but at last Grand Chapter was ceremoniously closed.

Twenty-ninth Annual Session, Houston, October, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Edith Findlater, San Angelo.

Grand Patron—E. J. Hosey, 2518 Lipscomb Street, Ft. Worth.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Cassie E. Leonard, 900 Florence St., Ft. Worth.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Annie H. DuMars, Angleton.

UTAH.

Fifth Annual Session. Salt Lake, May 12, 13, 1910.

A reception, with music, flowers and refreshments formed a happy introduction to the session, which convened in Masonic Hall, with thirteen Grand Officers present. It was opened regularly by the Grand Matron, Sister Flora E. Sinclair, and the roll of Officers and Chapters called.

The courtesies of the Grand East and Grand Honors were extended to the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons.

The welcome to Grand Chapter was given by Sister McCulloch, Worthy Matron of Lynds Chapter No. 1 of Salt Lake, in behalf of "The Mother, her first born and her baby."

In response the Associate Grand Matron returned thanks and recited the poem—"When Kindred Spirits Meet." The address to the Grand Representatives by Grand Electra, *pro tem*, Sister Conely, was a dainty, refreshing hit, and was replied to, even so, by Sister Chloe Raddon, the Grand Representative of California, in behalf of the thirty Grand Jurisdictions represented.

Sister Flora E. Sinclair then gave as a preface to her official report, some beautiful thoughts:—"In our counsels let us be actuated by love for each other and the principles we represent." In memory of the fraternal dead, all bowed heads while a spray of lilies were being placed upon the altar.

"To-day is ours, but life holds no promise of a to-morrow." They mourned the loss of their Grand Patron, Brother Walter Scott, a man of noble qualities, upright and true. Of him she said:

"Peace be with you, dear brother,
In the better land;
Vainly look we for another
In thy place to stand."

Nineteen deaths were enumerated among the sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Finding that their By-Laws forbade a Grand Matron to hold a commission, she resigned through the Grand Secretary of Florida, whose Grand Representative she was.

It was her pleasure to appoint fourteen Grand Representatives and to recommend fifteen to be so appointed by other Jurisdictions.

Three dispensations to change regular meeting night cost the Chapters \$15.

The officers of four Chapters were installed by her, and Past Grand Matrons were requested to install other officers.

One of the pleasures her office afforded, was the privilege of receiving the Proceedings of other Jurisdictions; she was mindful of her own at the holiday season, sending to all New Year's Greetings.

Among decisions: A member may file his objections to a candidate's initiation, although he resides in another State.

A motion, to increase the size of a committee, is legal.

With a following of from one to ten Grand Officers the Grand Matron's official visits appeared somewhat like a triumphal tour. She was met at the train, entertained, and banqueted by every Chapter visited. In each, the ritualistic work was witnessed, and the many gifts of silver, china and flowers will always be remembered. One reception in her honor is described.

She held two Schools of Instruction.

Recommendations: For the sake of uniformity the Chaplain always kneels during the prayer at the west of the Altar.

The Worthy Matron responds to the salutation of the first and last balloting at the altar.

The stereopticon views are not to be used during any part of the initiation ceremony.

The Festal Day of the Order, Robert Morris' birthday, August 31st, is to be appropriately observed by subordinate Chapters. (See Proceedings General Grand Chapter, 1880.)

Not more than six candidates should be initiated at one time.

The report of Acting Grand Patron, Brother Leatherwood, was very short. He appointed most of the officers of Bethany Chapter, U. D., and reported the Chapters prosperous and doing good work.

Several letters of greeting were received from other Grand Jurisdictions, also a communication from Corinne stating that the Masonic fraternity were anxious to have an O. E. S. Chapter organized there.

The Grand Secretary, Sister Shields, and the Grand Treasurer, Brother Mehse, reported a balance of \$451.87 in the Grand Chapter General Fund.

Membership, 894, with net gain of 104, and 130 initiates. Six chartered Chapters and three U. D's.

The Grand Lecturer, Sister Higson, visited seven Chapters. She recommended that the Grand Lecturer be instructed to visit each Chapter as soon as possible after installation, thus giving them early the benefit of the new rulings of the Grand Matron, and that the expenses of the Grand Lecturer be paid by Grand Chapter. Fifty dollars was ordered appropriated for this purpose and a like amount for the expenses of the Grand Matron.

From the report of the Committee on Charity we learn that little Electa, the "baby," has \$100 in reserve for charity, and Queen Esther, No. 4, had a special fund of \$176, a Charity Fund of \$128, had donated \$20 for charity, and were contributing \$3 per month to the Crittenden Home. The committee suggested that every Chapter start a fund to be used for charity.

Resolutions of sympathy were read, and the Committee on Necrology presented a memorial on the death of their loved Grand Patron. We wish also to express the sympathy of California. When the death angels strike at the head of an organization or a family the loss is great indeed.

Charters were granted the three U. D. Chapters and their representatives given voice and vote.

A triple pleasure was in store for the visiting delegates: Mizpah, No. 5, exemplified the opening and balloting; Electa Chapter, U. D., gave the initiatory work, and Lynds, No. 1, gave an exemplification of the Floral Degree. All three Chapters were highly complimented. A banquet closed the evening.

Much work was accomplished in the revision of By-Laws. By their Constitution and By-Laws twelve Grand Officers had no vote at the election, as only Present and Past Grand Matrons and Patrons and Present and Past Associate Grand Matrons and Patrons and the regular Chapter representatives or their elected proxies can cast ballots for election. However, they are not disfranchised entirely, for they are

allowed the voice vote on other matters. Of course seven votes were thus lost to Salt Lake City and four to Ogden, which may have been thought wise.

Election was evidently harmonious. The Grand Secretary was retained; the vacant office of Grand Treasurer filled, and other elective officers advanced, with Brother Bailey, Associate Grand Patron, and Sister Treasure, Associate Grand Conductress.

The ceremonies for instituting and constituting Chapters, as adopted by the Grand Chapter of Indiana, was also adopted by Utah Grand Chapter.

The installation of Grand Officers by the retiring Grand Matron and her reception of the jewel of office were the closing features of the session.

Sister Isadora Fox, Grand Chaplain, was also Fraternal Correspondent. Fifty newsy pages of reviews were presented. She saw only the good and refrained from criticisms. We have enjoyed the reading. California, 1908, received more than her quota. The account of her Los Angeles visits we appreciate, especially when Acacia, No. 21, comes in for words of commendation. Thank you, Sister.

Sixth Annual Session, Salt Lake City, May 11, 12, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Anna B. Marwick, 270 W. Third South, Provo City.

Grand Patron—Dr. A. Scott Chapman, 615 E. Ninth South, Salt Lake City.

Grand Secretary—Frances G. Shields, 728 Third Avenue, Salt Lake City.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Florence P. Ingols, Milford.

VERMONT.

Twenty-eighth Annual Session, Burlington, June 9, 1910.

"So shall our beloved star
Shine for truth and love afar,
And its rays—blue, yellow, white,
Green and red—all beaming bright,
Blend with colors God has given
To adorn His home in heaven;
And the teachings of our Star
Blend with God's own perfect law."

—*Nettie M. Waldo, Vermont.*

The business of this session was completed in one day, with the installation reserved for the evening session. They certainly were expeditious, yet apparently nothing of moment was omitted.

The session opened at 9 o'clock A. M. in the new Masonic Temple, with five Grand Officers filled *pro tem.*, 54 Chapters represented by 152 representatives, 11 Past Grands, 9 Past Matrons and Patrons, 10 District Deputies and 131 visitors. Among them all we have found the names of 25 brothers. We also note that 13 of these were either officers or on committees, and later we also notice that brothers may be appointed D. D. G. P.'s, although absent from Grand Chapter and while still serving as Worthy Patrons. We find one sister so honored, the Worthy Matron in the city where Grand Chapter was held. We also notice the Credential Committee names the Worthy Patron first throughout the entire report, and that the Roster, giving the officers' names, is also so arranged. Brothers had charge of each of these committees.

Grand Chapter was welcomed by Sister Clement, who concluded with:

"We extend to you hands in warm welcome,
And our hearts re-echo the same,
As we bid all hail to this meeting,
In Fraternity's dear holy name."

The generous welcome and the hospitality so freely extended by the Masons of Burlington, who gave up hall and night of meeting to the Grand Chapter, was graciously acknowledged by the Associate Grand Matron, Sister Stillson. Great pleasure was expressed in having at last instituted a Chapter in Burlington. It seems the Grand Patron was re-elected that he might complete the missionary work so long desired at this place. Sister Stillson closed the response with the following:

"Alas, my daughter, why those tears?
Who is this so sad appears?
What wilt thou of thy sorrowing friend?
Believest thou this, thy grief shall end?
Love one another and thou'lt prove
From all these an angel's love."

The Grand Matron, Sister L. A. J. Morris, and the Associate Grand Matron, Sister Fannie Emerson, both of New Hampshire, also Past Grand Matron Sister Lamb and Past Grand Patron Brother Watts of Massachusetts were announced and duly received with the honors due their stations.

Grand Representatives of twenty-four sister Grand Jurisdictions were also accorded the honors due the Grand Chapters they represented.

Letters of congratulation from the M. W. Grand Matron, M. W. Grand Patron, R. W. Associate Grand Patron, R. W. A. Grand Matron and the R. W. Grand Secretary were read, also one from their Representative in Oregon, Sister McKinley.

The Grand Patron, Brother Stoddard's second annual address, reported many of the official duties usually performed by the Grand Matron, among which we particularly notice dispensations granted.

Lodge members under temporary discipline by Grand Lodge were permitted to attend their Chapter, O. E. S.

Chapters were given permission to receive and ballot at a regular meeting on "a petition" and on "ten petitions" to re-open Chapter and receive petitions after the close of the regular meeting, to ballot on "a candidate" at a special meeting, and to ballot upon "several petitions" at a special meeting.

We note also that on January 24, 1910, the Grand Matron was asked for as special dispensation to receive, ballot and initiate on the same evening. She refused.

Nine Deputy Grand Patrons were appointed, three Chapters constituted, five of the nine District meetings attended, five Waivers of Jurisdiction granted and one received, and two new Chapters were instituted personally. Time, patience, and labor marked his administration.

The question of jurisdiction along the borders of Vermont was called to the attention of Grand Chapter. It was fast becoming vexing, as courtesies were not always granted Vermont.

Sister Christiana Borland gave quite a flowery address. It teemed with hopefulness and fraternity. In advice she said:

"We are not here to play, to dream, to drift;
We have hard work to do and loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle; face it, 'tis God's gift."

In reference to the departed, the roll of their own and other Grand Jurisdictions was read. She hoped that all would emulate their virtues and keep their memories fresh and green in their hearts.

"Sweet be their rest and peaceful their sleeping.
God's ways are best; they are safe in his keeping.
O blessed sleep! Where ills ne'er molest them.
Why should we weep since Heaven hath blest them."

Thirty-six Chapters yielded of their roll, to add to the memorial pages.

Nine District Deputy Grand Matrons were appointed by her and nine District meetings attended. These Deputies submitted detailed accounts of the visits made and work accomplished. We have examined them and found all the District meetings held and fifty-five Chapters visited. The brother Deputies did not do so well. Two reported no visits made outside of their own Chapter, and four gave no reports at all. We were glad to see No. 7 was reappointed; he worked. Others may have, but nothing appeared for Nos. 4, 6, 8 and 9.

Eight Grand Representatives were appointed and three recommended.

An appeal to the Grand Matron of New Hampshire, relative to the reception of dimitted members without waivers of jurisdiction, was made, and the matter adjusted amicably. A Chapter in Massachusetts received a membership card for a dimit (by carelessness of the Secretary, it is supposed), and the former Chapter claimed four years' delinquent dues. It was paid by the Massachusetts Chapter. In both cases regrets were expressed by the Chapters in question.

A "warning notice" was sent out by the Grand Patron, which we of California view in much the same light as expressed by Brother Putnam, the veteran Fraternal Correspondent, as follows: "On Christmas eve there was issued from the front office of the Grand Patron a 'warning' in the shape of an edict or Papal Bull promulgating an eleventh commandment: 'Thou, or anything that belongs to thou, shall have nothing to do with the 'Amaranth' or 'White Shrine of Jerusalem' or any other 'extraneous' thing.'" The Grand Matron echoed along the same line.

It seems the Grand Matron visits "on request" or "invitation" only, as seven such are described at length, she having installed the officers of two Chapters thus visited. Two receptions in her honor are described, also her visit to Branch Chapter, New Hampshire. Christmas greetings were exchanged and nearly five hundred letters written. Added to these was the travel of 4,100 miles, in the interest of the Order.

She plead for a revival of interest in the Masonic and Eastern Star Home.

Recommendations: That the duties of the Grand Matron be fully and clearly specified in the new Constitution and Digest; that the Grand Matron be provided with a copy of the Grand Lodge of Vermont Constitution and Digest; that the Deputy Grand Matrons make a special effort to visit each Chapter in their respective districts at least once a year; that a School of Instruction be held early in the year by the Grand Lecturer and District Deputies for the study of the Ritual, sylabus and floor work.

As to decisions, the Grand Matron felt at sea. Very few questions were asked. She said: "The Grand Patron and Grand Matron are co-ordinate, but are they in all things? It seems to me they each have separate duties (when they are not co-ordinate). I trust I have not exceeded my authority." You can readily see the condition, and both were such good workers. We turn again to the new Constitution and find there these words: "The Grand Patron shall continue to possess the prerogative of the East." We turn back (section 9): "Either one, as may suit their pleasure, shall preside at the sessions of the Grand Chapter." What if the Grand Patron should graciously tender the gavel and occupy the position of counselor!

"District Deputies make one yearly visit to each Subordinate Chapter in their respective Districts and receive from each Chapter visited their traveling and other expenses incurred."

The Grand Warder is an elective office. Elections may be held between January 1st and May 1st, as the by-laws of the Chapter determines.

Installation should be held the same evening as the election, but may be held at any subsequent regular meeting.

The presence of three members, one of whom shall be one of the first three officers, is indispensable in opening a Chapter for the transaction of business; provided always that not less than five shall be present when the ballot is spread on a petition for membership.

Rejected petitioners must wait one year before renewal.

Dimits shall accompany all petitions for affiliation.

The blind are ineligible to membership.

A black veil is used at the point of Adah.

When the Worthy Patron is presiding members coming in or retiring should direct their attention to the Worthy Matron, who may attend to those matters.

The card system was used in purging Grand Chapter.

The opening and closing ceremonies of Grand Chapter revised to 1911 are given in the Proceedings, also a form for receiving Grand Officers and distinguished guests into Chapters. These are distinctly their own.

Past Grand Patron Weeks presided during the election of officers. The tellers were one Past Grand Patron and two Past Grand Matrons.

Grand elective officers were advanced and the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer retained.

The reports of committees and subsequent action thereon occupied the interim of the counting of the election ballots.

The salary of the Grand Secretary was \$500; the Grand Treasurer, \$15; the Foreign Correspondent, \$35. All Grand Officers, Deputies and one representative from each Chapter receive mileage.

The Grand Secretary, Brother Stillson, has inaugurated the "Honor Roll." All Chapters whose dues and returns reach his office on or before May 1st are listed in the order of time received.

The membership May 1, 1910, was 6,272; net gain, 360. Number initiated, 525; number of Chapters, 64.

The finances were in a very satisfactory condition. General Fund, \$4,655.22; Home Fund, \$2,064.96; Hospital Fund, \$145.98.

Literary gems and pioneers' writings of O. E. S. interest will be preserved. A poem, entitled "Our Beautiful Eastern Star," was given in full. We placed the third stanza as a heading to this review.

The installation was in charge of Past Grand Matron Sister Leland, giving her the opportunity to install her husband, Geo. F. Leland, Associate Grand Patron. The Grand Warder of 1909, Sister Buell, was installed Associate Grand Conductress.

The appointments of nine District Deputy Grand Patrons and nine District Deputy Grand Matrons were confirmed by Grand Chapter, after which Grand Chapter was closed in form by the Grand Matron.

An evening ride on Lake Champlain was enjoyed by 208 members and visitors. The net proceeds, six dollars, were placed in the Home Fund.

The good, motherly face of Sister Smythe of Mystic Star Chapter accompanied her report on Foreign Correspondence. Though considering herself an amateur, we, also a novice, think her reviews very complete, just, and above the average. California has received a generous allotment of space and recognition.

Thirty-ninth Annual Session, Burlington, June, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. H. L. Stillson, Bennington.

Grand Patron—Arthur G. Spaulding, Ludlow.

Grand Secretary—Henry L. Stillson, Bennington.

Foreign Correspondent—Mrs. Alida M. Dunham, P. G. M.

VIRGINIA.

Sixth Annual Session, Norfolk, May 5, 1910.

"We should all plant, cultivate and nourish the immortal flowers of charity that Love scatters o'er the rugged pathway of human life; the flowers of peace that bring comfort to the aching hearts, and flowers of

plenty and happiness that assist the needy and cheer the downcast and oppressed."—Mrs. E. W. Heath.

Norfolk, the famous city by the sea, opened wide its doors and hearts to the Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star of Virginia, for its sixth annual session.

After the opening of Grand Chapter by the Grand Matron, Sister Barbour, P. M. W. Grand Patron L. C. Williamson and P. W. Grand Matron Sister A. S. Williamson of the District of Columbia, and the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Virginia were severally introduced and saluted with the Grand Honors.

Sister Sawyer, Grand Ruth and Past Matron of Virginia Chapter, Norfolk, extended to the delegates and visitors the thrice welcome of the tide-water city. She closed her remarks with: "In the spirit of love you came—love for our beautiful Order—and in that same spirit we welcome you."

The Associate Grand Matron, Sister Spatig, gave a gracious, appreciative reply, after which the Grand Representatives from the several Grand Chapters were introduced, and Sister Wallace welcomed their presence with beautifully chosen words, giving high praise to woman as a guide to the weak as well as a co-worker in the noble cause of fraternity.

Sister E. W. Heath expatiated eloquently upon the beauties of nature, the planting and the harvest, apropos to the Grand Chapter of Virginia, which six years ago was a tiny seed. The plant had grown and borne rich fruitage of helpful fraternity; this they were celebrating with happy hearts and joyful faces.

The Grand Matron's address was forceful, comprehensive and encouraging. She gave words of comfort to the afflicted and an impressive, hopeful thought in memory of the departed ones.

Her decisions, thirty-six in number, were of local interest and in accordance with their Grand Constitution.

All recommendations and decisions approved by the Grand Chapter since its organization were codified and embodied in the appendix of the Proceedings. We cull a few: The Signet to be placed on the left of the Worthy Patron; the Bible to be opened at the second chapter of Mathews; the signs and passes given by all members before the closing prayer; the sign of salutation never given when addressing the East; stereopticon views not to be used in connection with the initiation; no rituals are to be owned by members; no offices filled by proxy in installations; no card parties or dances given for the benefit of Eastern Star Chapters, and no talking indulged in during balloting.

Escort duties are performed by the Conductress and Associate Conductress. The former escorts the sisters.

Installations occur chiefly in March.

The Grand Matron gave pleasant accounts of sixteen official visits. These necessitated three thousand miles of travel.

Fraternal love had attended her throughout the duties of the year.

"There are many kinds of love, as many kinds of light,
And every kind of love makes a glory in the night;
There is love that stirs the heart and love that gives it rest,
But the love that leads life upward is the noblest and the best."

The absence of the Grand Patron caused the mantle of authority to rest on the shoulders of the Associate Grand Patron, Brother Reade. He told with pride of being Past Master in the lodge which laid the corner-stone of the State Capitol in 1785, the lodge of which John Marshall, Edmund Randolph and other illustrious Masons had been active members. He had also been District Deputy and Grand Master of the largest and most important Masonic District in Virginia, serving the second time. He then boldly asserted that he felt that the honor conferred on him by the Grand Chapter of Virginia surpassed them all.

His address was replete with glowing, enthusiastic optimism; high ideals marking every paragraph.

The number of chartered Chapters was twenty-two, with a membership of 1,175. Balance in the Grand treasury, \$590.79.

Election results gave evidence of the desire to promote efficient Grand Officers.

The Floral Work was given by officers chosen by the Grand Matron.

The following drastic amendment laid over to the next session: "That when an elective officer is absent for four consecutive meetings, without giving sufficient reason for such absence, that the Chapter may by a majority vote declare the office vacant and request the Worthy Grand Matron for dispensation to elect such officers as will be necessary."

The Fraternal Correspondent was allowed \$25 for her services, but her report was not printed in the Proceedings. Many Grand Jurisdictions will regret not seeing themselves depicted in the light of this Virginian Star; at least we do.

Sister Barbour installed the Grand Officers and the many beautiful gifts which followed gave tangible reminders of the love all bore their retiring Grand Matron.

The committees being appointed, Grand Chapter closed in ample form.

Seventh Annual Session. Roanoke, May, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Lula S. Spatig, Lawrenceville.

Grand Patron—Dr. Frank M. Reade, Richmond.

Grand Secretary—Chas. A. Nesbit, Richmond.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Annie S. Reade, Richmond.

WASHINGTON.

Twenty-second Annual Session, Tacoma, June 23, 24, 25, 1910.

"Let us stand by our principles, dare to do right,
Do deeds to find favor in God's holy sight,
Speak kindly of others while yet they are here,
Wait not till their cold forms are laid on the bier.
The head bowed by sorrow and care, let us raise
And heal breaking hearts by kind words and praise.
Bring solace and hope to the joyless again,
And instill sunny cheer where now is dull pain.
We all need encouragement here every day,
While earnestly striving on life's busy way,
We have it within us to make or to mar
The name and the fame of our loved Eastern Star."

—Mrs. Eugenia Smith, Washington.

The Grand Chapter convened in Masonic Temple, at 2:30 P. M., and was called to order and opened by the Grand Matron, Sister Rosa G. Ruth. Four appointive offices were filled *pro tempore*.

The visitors, Sister Delkin, Past Grand Matron of Georgia, and Brother Boyd, Grand Patron of Oregon, were escorted to the East, introduced and given Grand Honors.

In behalf of Tacoma's Chapters, with their united power of 640 members, Sister Warren extended the "Welcome, thrice welcome!" The appreciation of Grand Chapter was well told in the response by the Associate Grand Matron, Sister James.

Sister Winnifred B. Hare gave a beautiful address. The following life-germ is culled: "Unkindness has no remedy at law, therefore let its avoidance be with you a point of honor."

The silent Reaper had gathered a bountiful harvest; seventy-seven sisters and brothers had been taken from life's field of action. Grand Chapter was called up, and listened reverently to the roll call and the following:

"We saw not the lift of the curtain,
Nor heard the invisible door,
As they passed where life's problems, uncertain,
Will follow and vex them no more.
We lingered and wept at the threshold,
The threshold each mortal must cross;
Then laid a new wreath down upon it,
To mark a new sorrow and loss."

The Grand Matron constituted five Chapters and granted nine dispensations.

She denied permission to receive, elect and initiate the same evening.

An anonymous request for re-ballot was received by telephone. The lady stated that she had misunderstood the ballot, and felt badly about the result.

The Grand Matron wisely refused to grant the request, and thereby avoided establishing a dangerous precedent.

The by-laws of twenty Chapters were examined and approved. Sixty official visits were made. Floods caused the cancellation of several dates.

By the exercise of gracious, tactful measures she was able to harmonize the opposing factions in a controversy which had occasioned the arrest of their charter, and as the parties concerned pledged themselves to harmony, she caused the charter to be restored. The Chapter is now flourishing. It was simply a case of differences exaggerated.

"Don't look for flaws as you pass through life,
And even when you find them,
It is wise and kind,
To be somewhat blind,
And look for the virtues behind them."

Every Chapter, worthy of perpetuation, must show by the fruits of its labors good reasons for its existence, else it will cease to exist and be forgotten.

The Grand Patron, Brother James H. Heasley, presented a full account of his stewardship. In speaking of the progress of the Order, he reiterated the truism that its strength is in its principles, and its prosperity in the character of its members. "Preferment in this institution should follow good work, and be regarded as the fitting reward of zeal, and devotion to its principles, and not for the sake of distinction."

Seven new Chapters had been instituted, four personally.

He attended the Grand Chapter session in Oregon, and was much impressed by their Memorial Services.

Sister Demorest presented her eighteenth annual report. Much interest had been shown by the Chapters in the prospective Home. The donation for the year was \$314.75. Every Chapter sent returns and dues.

Brother Casimir J. Wood's communication was acknowledged, also the Return Relief Fund of \$76.90, which was placed in the Home Fund.

Membership, March, 1910, 10,244; initiated, 992; affiliated and re-installed, 336; by organization, 129; loss by dimit and suspension, 451; net gain for the year, 995. Electa Chapter, Spokane, has 600 members; Fern Chapter, Tacoma, 463.

The balance in the General Fund, \$6,963.67; in the O. E. S. Home Fund, \$10,163.44.

Ninety-four of the 112 Chapters were represented at the session.

The Grand Representatives of eighteen States were asked to take stations west of the altar. Here they were welcomed and presented with bouquets. Sister Eugenia Smith, the Poet Laureate of Washington, gave a poem of greeting, which included the gift of flowers to the Represented, also to the Grand Matron, Associate Grand Matron, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary. Her closing poem we quote in full:

“From the sunny tranquil South,
And the busy, hustling North,
From the noisy thriving cities
With their hum.
From the broad Atlantic East,
And the grand Pacific West,
From the vales of fruit and flowers
You have come.

So with pleasure now we meet you
And joyfully we greet you,
To our very best we'll treat you,
Sisters, dear.
Our hearts will all be lighter,
Our smiles will be the brighter,
And our true hand-clasp the tighter
For your cheer.

The skies will seem much bluer,
Our love and friendship truer,
And disappointments fewer,
With you here.
May Chapters, near and far,
Unite here in this grand Star,
No doubts or fears our sweet joys mar—
Welcome here!"

From Sister Stevens, of the Pine Tree State, came sweet reply:

"These beautiful flowers speak to us of a love that is strong and true,
An inspiration to cheer us, as we pass life's journey through.
They tell of the ties that bind us, and help us on our way,
Each step growing brighter and brighter, on to the perfect day."

The new Chapters received representation and their charters.

A grievance, brought irregularly before Grand Chapter, was disposed of by giving suggestions as to legal procedure, and the Grand Matron was authorized to deal with the same according to her judgment, if further action be taken by the aggrieved.

A resolution was passed to define the status of the Amaranth. It stated that from the nature of their constitution, there cannot be higher degrees of the Eastern Star.

Sister Mendenhall submitted the Masonic and Eastern Star Home report, showing the total, \$10,163.44. She said the kind of work that pays is caring for the homeless. A committee of five will confer with, and co-operate in any action taken by the committee appointed on Masonic and Eastern Star Home at the session of the Grand Lodge of Washington.

Under finance we find: Grand Matron's Expenses, \$400; Grand Patron's expenses, \$100; Grand Secretary's salary, \$650; Grand Treasurer's salary, \$100; Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, \$100; Grand Chaplain, \$25; Grand Matron's Jewel, \$25; expenses of Grand Matron, or proxy to General Grand Chapter, \$250; expenses incident to Grand Chapter session, \$150.

Sister Perry, Worthy Matron of Vancouver, Chapter No. 2, and Sister Fugler, Worthy Matron of Burrard Chapter No. 3, both of British Columbia, were escorted to the East and introduced.

The Constitution and By-Laws were considered section by section, and so adopted.

"Advance them!" is the Washingtonian cry, so the Associate Grand Patron and Associate Conductress are the only new elective officers.

Exemplification by Sehome Chapter of Bellingham, and the addendum and drill by Myrtle Chapter of Seattle, were beautifully given.

The A. Y. P. Exhibition Committee submitted their final report, showing a balance of \$450.98, which was placed in the Masonic Home and Eastern Star Fund.

After the retiring Grand Matron had installed the Grand Officers, she was presented with a Past Grand Matron's jewel. Many floral gifts added their charm of fragrance and brilliancy to the closing moments of the session.

Sister Hare, Past Grand Matron, had the care of the Fraternal Correspondence. Her aim was to be precise and brief; she considers the misuse of the ballot the one great grievance of the Order in general. California receives one page. We cull: "The Grand Patron presides, excepting at the times specified, and is still the *de facto* presiding officer. Ah, well! Great, (or grand) bodies move slowly, and perhaps the wedge once entered, further changes may come."

Twenty-third Annual Session. Spokane, June 15, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Miss Linnie W. James, 812 Second Ave., Seattle.

Grand Patron—W. H. Acuff, corner Frederick and Havana Sts., Spokane.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Libbie J. Demorest, 3317 No. 29th St., Tacoma.

Fraternal Correspondent, Mrs. Winnifred B. Hare, Tacoma.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Seventh Annual Session. Wheeling, October 5, 6, 1910.

"Like ships upon the sea that meet, and hail and greet,

Then part again and go their way,

So meet we with a friendly grasp,

A look, a word, a little stay,

Then part again, and each one goes his chosen way.

And though perhaps we may forget the faces on our journey met,

An influence each leaves on each, for good or ill,

A something which no word can teach nor time can kill.

So live that all who meet with thee,

May better, truer, nobler be,

Leaving on each other an imprint of thine own Christ-like divinity."

This dainty volume of light sage-green and gold trimmed cover is further embellished with clear cuts of the Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Matrons of 1909 and 1910, and the Grand Patrons of these two years. Generosity marks the Proceedings in other directions. The memorial pages for their own and other Grand Jurisdictions are beautiful, and we notice that Chapters under dispensation pay no dues, and that their Grand Matrons received jewels of office. Encouragement to new Chapters, and a reward of merit, however small intrinsically, is like mercy twice blessed. We predict a splendid future for West Virginia Stars. But, we are digressing.

This Grand Chapter, aged six years and five months, convened at Scottish Rite Cathedral with a good attendance of delegates, forty-one Chapters being represented with sixty-one members, carrying a voting power of 111.

All Grand Officers, save one; all the Past Grand Matrons; all the Past Grand Patrons, except one; twenty-seven Past Matrons and nine Past Patrons were in attendance.

Grand Chapter was welcomed to Wheeling, its birthplace, by Sister Birch, Worthy Matron of Miriam Chapter, No. 1, the banner Chapter of the State in membership. Worthy of perpetuity is her closing, admonitory thought: "Our success depends upon unity of purpose, freedom from prejudice and love for the Order."

In response the Associate Grand Matron reviewed the Grand Chapter history, its inception in 1904, and the brilliant success thus far attained.

"May we sow the seed of a golden deed
In the heart of each one here;
And our love will grow from the seeds we sow,
A hundred-fold year by year."

The Grand Representatives were invited to the East, accorded Grand Honors and welcomed most heartily, the Representative of Arizona responding graciously.

In the introduction to the recital of her official transactions, Sister Sobanski gave a happy retrospective view, saying also:

"O praise our God to-day!
His constant mercy bless!
Whose love has helped us on our way,
And granted us success."

The Grand Conductress and Grand Associate Conductress draped the altar in memory of the seventeen of the subordinate Chapters and the five Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions who had answered the call of the silent messenger. As an emblem of their immortality, a wreath was placed on the white-draped altar.

“They are gathering homeward from every land,
One by one.”

Her wishes reached the Chapters in the form of circular letters; loyalty to obligation, harmonious effort, knowledge of the secret work, and of the Constitution and By-Laws was asked, and the appointment of five District Deputy Grand Matrons announced.

A committee was appointed to draft a form for instituting and constituting new Chapters. Their report was adopted and embodied in these Proceedings.

Several Chapters received dispensation to receive and ballot the same evening, and one permission was given to re-open the ballot; thirty-four in all, were granted.

Grand Representatives were appointed for thirty-three Grand Jurisdictions; five waivers granted and four received.

In visiting officially thirty-seven different Chapters, she traveled 4,168 miles, and the installation of officers in nine Chapters were deemed honors conferred. She was present at the institution of one of the U. D.'s.

The visits to the Grand Chapter of Ohio, and to Crystal Chapter, Ohio, were much enjoyed. A set of Knights Templar plates and a Lincoln plate were reminders of these occasions.

The decisions were in accordance with their established laws.

The subject of the ballot: “It is true, the ballot is the only safeguard we have; nevertheless we should at no time bring personal affairs into our Order, thereby depriving others of the same privilege we at one time asked for; and, before doing an act that would be detrimental to the petitioner, let us reflect and remember that it also injures the Chapter and ourselves.” Ten Chapters had reported rejections, ranging from one to three.

The Grand Matron lost her mother in December, 1909, yet we find her bravely at work with Christmas and New Year's greetings, and an official visit is recorded for January.

Brother Davis, Grand Patron, stated that the office, aside from institution of new Chapters, was chiefly advisory. He had endeavored through the Chapters' co-operation, to organize the State and further

the growth of the Order. He had been successful in the seed planting, and believed that when prejudice dies, the harvest will be abundant.

The idea was expressed that the pursuance of a definite policy by the Chapters was of paramount importance. Something to do, some object of worth to attain, literary charity and the like.

"Be mine some simple service here below,—
To weep with those who weep, their joys to share,
Their pain to solace, or their burdens bear;
Some widow in her agony to meet,
Some exile in his new-found home to greet;
To serve some child of Thine and so serve Thee,—
Lo, here am I! To such a work send me."

"We must move or we must die. Activity is the law of life. The activity must be guided; we must progress." All were asked to be like her who

"Doeth little kindnesses
Which most leave undone or despise;
For naught which puts one heart at ease,
And giveth happiness or peace,
Is low esteemed in her eyes."

Past Grand Matron, Sister Debendarfer, filled the responsible office of Grand Secretary. Her report is complete in detail and well tabulated statistics of all kinds are added.

All dues were collected, and all bills were paid, leaving a balance in the hands of Sister Park, Grand Treasurer, of \$1,968.56.

The returns showed a present membership of 2,846; initiated, 368; dimitted and suspended, 92; net gain, 247.

An appropriation of \$100 for charitable purposes is to be made annually by setting the same aside from the Grand Chapter Funds.

One hundred dollars is also to be contributed yearly for the entertainment of Grand Chapter. The Grand Treasurer and Fraternal Correspondent will each receive \$15 annually. Mileage is paid the Representatives, also per diem, "providing it does not exceed the dues of said Chapter."

Charters and representation were granted the three U. D.'s.

The officers of these Chapters were installed into office by Sister Debendarfer, Past Grand Matron.

The exemplification of the work by Miriam Chapter, the banquet, the souvenir glass etched with, "Compliments of Miriam Chapter, No. 1,

O. E. S., Grand Chapter, October 5, 6, 1910," at each plate of the eight long tables, all told of love for the Order.

The Secretary of State, Stewart F. Reed, was toastmaster. He conveyed Governor Glascock's greeting and regrets. His address was a tribute to woman. He referred to the Taj Mahal, the costliest monumental tribute to woman.

Responses and remarks by the Past Grand Patrons made the feeling of re-union complete. If aught was left undone at the opening reception, 'twas surely completed here. In conclusion, woman was named as "the stone which the builders rejected, possessing merit to them unknown," and who "may yet become the head of the Order." True Southern chivalry!

Election results were of special interest. Grand Adah was given the responsible station of Associate Grand Conductress, and the Grand Sentinel was elected to the honorable office of Associate Grand Patron. The incoming Grand Matron advanced the Star points toward Adah's station, each one star point. Her Grand Warder and Grand Sentinel were the only new appointees. This was the only instance found in Grand Chapter Jurisdictions where such a contented condition was found.

The Grand Officers were installed by a Past Grand Matron, Sister Jacobs. Immediately thereafter, all Past Grand Matrons were escorted to the East and all five received a beautiful Past Grand Matron's jewel. Grand Chapter then closed regularly.

Thirty-seven good short reviews are given by Sister Williams, the Fraternal Correspondent. In her preface she says that systematic effort is realizing ideals, "and just

'As one lamp lights another, nor grows less,
So nobleness enkindleth nobleness.'

Greetings and appreciation are sent to the Grand Officers of the Jurisdictions "for the splendid addresses containing messages of hope and cheer which reach directly or indirectly the 420,000 members of 5,500 Chapters."

To the Correspondent, Brother Frazer's accomplishments in Grand Chapter work seemed so great that he expressed the soft impeachment of our Grand Patron's having fastened his wagon to a star. He *did* travel some, and so did his successor, Brother Ferguson. We are proud of our standard bearers.

Eighth Annual Session. Hinton, October, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Sallie D. Kneeream, Ravenswood.

Grand Patron—O. C. Ogden, St. Mary's.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Minera C. Debendarfer, 206 Locust St., Man-
nington.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Eleanor R. Williams, Buckhannon.

WISCONSIN.

Twentieth Annual Session. Milwaukee, October 5, 6, 1910.

Very attractive indeed, is this volume of 363 pages, dressed in white and gold, it presents an air of elegance. The frontispiece displays a group of nineteen Grand Officers of 1910. Every face is clearly shown; it is a group of highly intelligent, refined featured sisters and brothers. A fine large cut of the Grand Matron is given with her address, and, facing the account of *his* service as Grand Patron, is given a fine half-tone of Brother Hayhurst.

The session was held in the Masonic Temple, and was called to order by the Grand Marshal, who directed the Associate Grand Conductress to invite the Grand Matron and other Grand Officers to enter.

Opened by the Grand Matron and her full corps of officers, the Grand Chapter received the welcome of Milwaukee. Able reply in appreciation of their "twentieth home-coming" was expressed by Sister Mead, Associate Grand Matron.

Three distinguished guests received the honors of their respective stations,—Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron and their own Past Grand Matron; Sister Wilcy, Grand Matron of Iowa, and Sister Krebs, our erudite Past Grand Matron. Following these was the conduct to the Grand East of seventeen Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Wisconsin; they were presented and likewise accorded Grand Honors.

Past Grand Matron, Sister Budd, who had not missed Grand Chapter for sixteen years, sent a letter of regrets, being too ill to attend. A telegram was sent her by vote of Grand Chapter, expressive of best wishes for a speedy recovery.

A semi-circle in the West was formed by the twenty-nine Grand Representatives present. Here they were tendered the Grand Chapter welcome.

"In this golden, glad October,
Laden with its fruits and flowers,
We are here to bid you welcome
To this Grand Chapter fair of ours.
Let our hearts be knit still closer.
Praise our God in life and prayer.
He is 'Altogether Lovely,'
Among ten thousands, none so fair."

Sister Kenny, Grand Representative of Michigan, replied for her associates.

Many telegrams and letters of greeting were received, showing the fraternal love for Wisconsin's Stars.

Through the change of time of meeting, from February to October, the Grand Matron and her associate Grand Officers held over one year and seven months.

The Grand Matron, Sister Gardner, stated that no brilliant flights of rhetoric, and no startling growth of our Order would be found in her report; she had striven to be true to her trust and uphold the honor of the Order of the Eastern Star. She said of the fraternal dead: "Throughout life, with all joy comes a measure of sadness. The light of our existence burns with uncertainty. One by one our friends are drifting away from us. One by one they are crossing the silent river and led by the Star of Bethlehem, are passing into the city not made with hands."

Brother James W. Watson, whose half-tone is given in these Proceedings, was called May 21, 1910. He was a Past Grand Patron, much loved, and will be much missed. Twenty-nine Present and Past Grand Officers of other Grand Jurisdictions had answered the last earthly summons; among these, Sister Kingsley and Brother Wright of California are enumerated.

Her official acts were necessarily many during the interim of nineteen months' service. Soon after entering upon her duties, her mother passed out through the shadow, led by the Star of the East, leaving her too sore at heart to attend celebrations and gatherings to which invitations had been received.

Of the five Chapters constituted, two received her personal service; thirty-six Grand Representatives received appointments through or by her, among which were Sister Mary Elliot Seymour to represent Wisconsin near California Grand Chapter, and Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron, to represent California in Wisconsin.

Of the thirty-two dispensations granted, two were to waive time in conferring degrees; twenty permissions were given to receive, ballot and confer the degrees the same evening. All her dispensations were approved as being issued "strictly in pursuance of, and under the powers and prerogatives of the Worthy Grand Matron."

The Warder does not give the raps before she notifies the Sentinel in closing.

In moving to a new hall, the charter was forgotten, and the meeting was held without it; the occasion was also the Grand Matron's official visit. Was the business of the meeting legal? Answer—Yes. The presence of the Grand Matron made the meeting legal, otherwise it would have been illegal.

The brilliant Grand Chapter Stars flashed various rays, while endeavoring by the light of their knowledge and experience to reconcile the Grand Matron's decision with Ritual requirements. The Jurisprudence Committee approved, and submitted supposedly good reasons for so doing, but were asked to reconsider. Later they brought a verbal report of refusal to recede from the position taken. The subjects of controversy were ordered stricken out and their report adopted. The question was then taken up and considered, resulting in the following: (a) "The law is mandatory that the charter must be present, and that the proper place for the charter is in the Chapter room. In view of the fact, however, that there was no intention to violate the Constitution or any of our regulations, and in view of the further fact that some of the members elected at this meeting have already received their degrees, we are of the opinion that it would be unjust to deprive them of the benefits already obtained in which they were innocent participants, and that they should in all respects be considered members in good standing in the Order. (b) That the candidate rejected at this meeting be given another opportunity, if he or she should so elect, to present another petition without awaiting the lapse of time as provided in the Constitution in such cases, and have it considered at a meeting regularly called." Adopted.

Another vexing question worried Grand Chapter: At an election, a sister was elected Worthy Matron on the third ballot; after she was declared elected she declined the office. Notwithstanding her statement, election of the other officers followed. Another ballot was *then* taken, but the vote was scattering and the hour late, so a motion to adjourn the election until the next meeting prevailed.

At the following meeting the election of Worthy Matron was resumed. The ballots were as follows: First ballot—Sister A., 12; Sister B., 11; Sister C., 1. Second ballot—Sister A., 12; Sister B., 11; one blank.

Third ballot—Sister A., 11; Sister B., 12. Sister B. was declared elected, and she then resigned the office of Associate Matron to which she had been elected the previous meeting. An Associate Matron was then elected. At the next meeting there was a lengthy discussion as to the legality of the election. The Worthy Matron stated that according to our laws, blanks did not count in an election, and, therefore, Sister A. was elected on the second ballot of the previous meeting. After an argument *against* the Worthy Matron's decision the minutes were approved. Installation had previously been announced for that evening. Worthy Matron, Secretary, Treasurer, and all others except Associate Matron were then installed. Was the election legal? The Grand Matron decided "No." The Jurisprudence Committee said "No." No other business could legally intervene until a Worthy Matron had been elected. When the Worthy Matron *permitted* and the Chapter *proceeded* to elect the other officers before electing a Worthy Matron, they proceeded in an irregular manner, and violated every usage and spirit of the by-laws and regulations as laid down by Grand Chapter for the government of subordinate Chapters.

"The Committee are of the opinion that the officers elected at the meeting held for the regular election of officers were legally elected, providing the meeting was held the first stated meeting in December as provided. (b) Referring to the argument against the decision of the Worthy Matron, we are of the opinion that the decision of the Worthy Matron was final and should *not* have been argued by the members." Another Past Grand Patron made the statement that the decision of the Grand Matron was good law and should stand, and that that part of the Jurisprudence Report should be rejected. Carried. It was then left as decided by the Grand Matron: A special meeting must be called for the purpose of election, each member to be so notified, as the election described was illegally conducted.

The Grand Matron recommended that a committee prepare a book on floor work, as there was great need of uniformity in details. It received a decided rebuff. "Your committee is of the opinion that there are books of law enough now, much more law in them than is practiced. What the Grand Chapter needs is the same teaching, the same interpretation of that law, and in order to do so we must have the same teacher, the same instruction. Changing the instructor each year as this Grand Chapter has done ever since it was first organized, with their different interpretations of the law, honestly made, have made a confusion in the work. The only remedy we can see is to keep the same Grand Lecturer year after year, just the same as the Grand Lodge."

The pass is still taken during opening, as a means of purging the Chapter.

The Grand Matron visited forty-four Chapters officially, and enjoyed most the small Chapters, as they had needed her help and encouragement. She wrote 2,137 letters.

The Grand Lecturer, Past Grand Matron Sister Little, did valiant service. One hundred and eighteen Chapters were visited. Many of these needed instruction very much. Her expense account was \$91.95. Grand Chapter commended her economy.

Brother Hayhurst, Grand Patron, held firmly to the old principle that new Chapters should be petitioned for, not solicited.

Four dispensations for new Chapters were granted. All of these he instituted personally, with the assistance of near-by Chapters.

He refused a dispensation to establish a Chapter until the Lodge of the town receives its charter from Grand Lodge.

Lack of harmony caused the dissolution of one Chapter. A dispensation was granted about nine months later in the same place. The name was different, the number was revived, and the books and property returned. Grand Chapter continued this Chapter under dispensation, and requested that the Eastern Star members residing in this town "do everything in their power to heal the wounds of the past, and come together as they should, whether present or past members."

The other four U. D. Chapters received their charters.

Of the Grand Secretary, the Grand Matron said: "Nothing ever seems a hardship to her, and for promptness she has no equal." Her twentieth report was submitted.

Certificates of membership were issued to 39 members of the Chapter surrendering its charter.

Returns to January 1, 1910 show: Number of Chapters, 183; initiated, 1,403; affiliated and reinstated, 249; suspended and dimitted, 536; total membership, 16,579; net increase, 961; Rituals furnished, 12; sold, 672; largest Chapters, Milwaukee, No. 2, 476; Bethany, No. 105, 444.

Sister Lucille W. Parker gave her twentieth report of the Grand Chapter's cash. Disbursements, \$7,861.22, and cash balance on hand, \$2,899.54. Other bank certificates, mortgages, etc., made the total as per trustees' report, \$3,839.30.

The President of the Eastern Star-Masonic Home Association reported free-will offerings since last session, \$1,204.60, which, when added to the five-cent per capita tax from Grand Chapter, will make the accrued assets \$7,427.04, a gain of \$2,133.34 during the nineteen months.

At the evening session, Grand Chapter invited Oriental Chapter, No. 16, to give the *Floral Work*, which was done most beautifully. After a short intermission Milwaukee Chapter, No. 2, exemplified the Ritualistic work. A fancy opening march was executed which received hearty applause, and the degrees were conferred almost perfectly.

During the interim of reception of reports the Grand Chapter enjoyed music, and an interesting instructive talk by Sister Krebs of California. She was made an honorary member of Wisconsin Grand Chapter. Sister Pitkin, the Right Worthy Grand Secretary, also enjoys that honor.

Elected Grand Officers included Grand Chaplain, Trustee and the President and Treasurer of the Eastern Star Home Association.

Progression makes election easy. We note that every Associate Grand Matron has been advanced and that progression from the Associate Grand Conductress has not been deviated from since 1900.

Sister Washburn, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, installed the Grand Officers. The retiring Grand Matron was presented with a Past Grand Matron's jewel. Other gifts of silver and flowers followed. Every elective officer received flowers, the Grand Patron included.

All business being completed, Grand Chapter closed regularly.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Sister Adency Irons, Senior Past Grand Matron, reviewed seventy-four Grand Chapter Proceedings. The report occupies 142 pages, and is very interesting. She made no attempt at witticism or criticism, and avoided giving personal opinions. In reading an extract from the address of M. E. David Harlowe upon the subject of foreign correspondence, questioning its importance and usefulness, and giving his reasons therefor, he says: "The functions of a committee on foreign correspondence consist in reviewing and reporting the acts and declarations of other Grand Chapters to their own Grand Body. To report what is essential and leave out what is trivial. To give facts without expressing personal opinions; to instruct rather than to amuse. These reports would then be of considerable value and interest."

California for 1908 and 1909 are given five pages of terse yet comprehensive reviews. We are gratified for your consideration, and have tried to find all the essentials of Wisconsin's interesting session.

Twenty-first Annual Session. Milwaukee, October, 1911.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Rose Mead, Plymouth.

Grand Patron—Raymond L. Williams, Appleton.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Helen M. Laffin, Milwaukee.

Fraternal Correspondent—Mrs. Helen M. Budd, Lancaster.

WYOMING.

Thirteenth Annual Session. Masonic Temple, Rock Springs, Sept. 6,
1910.

Fifteen Grand Officers, eight Past Grands, and seventy-four Delegates from twenty Chapters were present at the opening of Grand Chapter, by Sister Estelle R. Barnett, Grand Matron, and were cordially welcomed by Sister Stevenson of Mountain View Chapter of Rock Springs. The Associate Grand Matron accepted their generous offers of hospitality, in behalf of Grand Chapter, wishing every hour of the meeting to be crowned with pleasure that would ripen into precious memory.

From the Grand Matron's address we learn of the many duties that filled the year.

Twelve decisions were rendered, among which: A dimit from a Chapter dimit that Grand Officer from Grand Chapter.

Grand Representatives, 29 in number, were appointed. Ten dispensations to elect and install were granted during the year.

New Year's greetings and many letters sent.

Although absent four months, because of her mother's illness in another State, she visited all Chapters except two, traveled 3,500 miles, 250 of which was by stage.

Wyoming O. E. S. members are aiding the Masons in the maintenance of their Masonic Home. Ten cents per capita is collected for this purpose.

The return Relief Fund from California was recommended to be placed in the Masonic Home Fund.

The Grand Matron spoke most tenderly of their beloved Grand Chaplain, Sister Ellen Davis, whose sweet face illumines the dark memorial pages. Below her portrait we find:

"Calm on the bosom of thy God,
Fair spirit rest thee now;
E'en while with us thy footsteps trod,
His seal was on thy brow.
Dust to its narrow house beneath,
Soul to its place on high
They that have seen thy look in death
No more may fear to die."

Through the recommendations of the Grand Matron several pertinent matters received attention, and the following adopted:

A form for the minutes, to be used by the Secretaries of U. D. Chapters, whereon to record the transactions of their first meeting. A form was prepared, and a copy placed in the Proceedings.

The completed list of Present and Past Elective Grand Officers was also given in the Report.

No Chapter will be permitted to initiate more than four candidates at one time.

An affiliate may join the nearest Chapter.

The Grand Matron will visit the Chapters, officially, during the fall and winter, when practicable.

The use of the Ritual in the Chapter, after the lapse of one month from the time of installation, is forbidden. It was considered that the work could be committed during the first month of service as officers.

The Grand Secretary's salary was placed at \$200, and the Grand Matron was allowed \$250 for her necessary expenses.

Brother J. M. Lowndes' greeting was hopeful and his advice helpful. He reported the institution of Gentian Chapter U. D., also the prospect of Chapters being formed at Worland and Powell.

Several Chapter visits were enjoyably described.

He urged the adoption of the Card Index System of Records and Accounts, and thought Rituals should never be used in the Chapter room by a regular officer. The Card System was adopted.

All were reminded to be true to their obligations; personal feeling has no place in the Chapter. Gossip and the misuse of the black ball were plainly shown to be reactionary.—veritable boomerangs.

The Grand Secretary reported 22 Chapters, and one U. D., with a total membership of 1,867; General Fund, \$2,095; Home Fund, \$194.40.

Memorial Services and the Roll of the Departed brought before all the uncertainty of life, and the necessity of being kind to the living.

The proposed Constitution of the General Grand Chapter was ratified by the Grand Chapter.

Progression of office is apparently one of the landmarks of Wyoming Grand Chapter. Brother Jensen climbed high the ladder of popularity and gathered the ripe plum, Associate Grand Patron; while the gleaner, Ruth, joined the line of progression, the honor falling on the ready shoulders of Sister Dickenson.

Sister Barnett installed the Grand Officers, assisted by Sister Tilton, Past Grand Matron, acting in the capacity of Grand Marshal.

The Past Grand Matron's jewel was received by Sister Barnett with well-chosen words of thanks and appreciation.

We have enjoyed the reviews of Sister Chamberlain, Fraternal Correspondent, especially her impartial synopsis of California's Thirty-seventh Annual Session.

After a grateful talk by the newly installed Grand Matron, Sister Daley, the Grand Chapter closed with becoming ceremony.

The Blue Lodge, A. F. and A. M., joined with Mountain Lily Chapter in caring for the comfort and pleasure of the delegates and visitors of Grand Chapter. Exemplification of the work, an informal reception, a visit to one of the large coal mines and auto rides over the city were enjoyed. On Wednesday evening, after the close of Grand Chapter, a banquet of magnificent proportions, included all visiting Masons and members of the O. E. S. They certainly demonstrated their hospitality.

Fourteenth Annual Session. Thermopolis, Sept., 1910.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Miss Irene Daley, Rawlins.

Grand Patron—Harold Banner, Casper.

Grand Secretary—Mrs. Inez M. Robinson, 812 E. Sixteenth Street, Cheyenne.

Correspondence Committee—Mrs. Grace Godwin, Sheridan; Mrs. Ellen J. Tilton, Encampment.

SCOTLAND.

Sixth Annual Meeting. Glasgow, March 19, 1910.

Half Yearly Meeting. Glasgow, Oct. 29, 1910.

"Love rules the court, the camp, the grove.

And men below, and saints above;

For love is heaven and heaven is love."

The Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland met in annual session in the Royal Arch Masons' Hall and was opened in regular form by the Grand Matron, Sister Keith. The stations of Senior Grand Chaplain, Grand Marshal, and Grand Ruth were filled, pro tem.

She cordially welcomed the delegates, saying: "The object of this meeting is to weld more firmly the fraternal chain." If the members would keep in mind and practice in their lives the sublime principles there need be no fear for the future success of the Order.

Two dispensations were granted, permitting the use of the regalia for stated occasions.

Petitions for dispensation to establish Chapters had been granted to worthy Masons in New Zealand and Transvaal. Charters were granted four Chapters.

The Grand Matron and Grand Secretary visited the daughter Chapters, and were received with uniform courtesy. They were careful to inspect the books and reports and to pass upon the legality of each Chapter's official acts. The Grand Matron was made an honorary member in twenty-two Chapters.

Often Grand Officers (called office-bearers) accompanied the Grand Matron and Grand Secretary on these visits, which had extended from Dundee in the north to Ebbchester, England, in the south.

A salary of £222, 8s., or about \$1,080, is paid to Brother Gunn, the Grand Secretary.

The Fraternal Correspondent is a brother, so, also, are the Senior Grand Chaplain, Junior Grand Chaplain and Grand Sentinel.

The Grand Chapter agreed to receive Grand Representative commissions from America; sixteen were presented, and the representatives named and welcomed. They were requested to convey hearty greetings from the Grand Chapter of Scotland to the Grand Chapters they represented.

Sister Elizabeth Hamilton speaks for California, and their interests are in the able hands of P. G. A. M. Sister Catherine E. Merritt, of Oakland.

Twelve daughter Chapters enjoyed having their office-bearers installed by Sister Keith.

She found the visits to the daughter Charters were fast becoming too heavy for the Grand Matron, and recommended the appointment of a Deputy, or Assistant. After some discussion, as to its necessity, the subject was left undecided.

She requested the Grand Patron, Brother Gibson, to preside during the transaction of business.

Charters were ordered engraved, bronze and blue, on parchment; also one hundred each of Past Matron's and Past Patron's diplomas.

Sashes and jewels were ordered. The Grand Sentinel will have charge of the sashes, and each office-bearer will have the custody of her respective jewel.

A new seal was ordered made, bearing the word "Supreme."

The question of membership followed, emanating from Brother Menie's speech, which he based on extracts from the Mosaic Book and the

Manual by Robert Morris. He contended that no one could become a consistent member unless he or she believed in Jesus Christ.

The covenant of secrecy, being perpetual, precluded the possibility of worthy Roman Catholics conscientiously keeping the obligation. The ultimate result was the appending to all petitions for membership this statement: "The Order of the Eastern Star is purely a Christian Order, and this matter should be pointed out to all applicants for admission." The vote which decided this stood 71 for, 45 against.

The Order of the Eastern Star does not ask a candidate whether he or she believes in *any* creed. Since he is not asked to express his belief, any honest Jew or Catholic is eligible, methinks.

The proceedings are condensed and concise and bespeak harmony and prosperity, while no business lags. Two meetings and various Grand Committee meetings keep the minutiae well in hand.

Sister Keith was re-elected Grand Matron.

The gentle admonition given by their Grand Matron, that they forget all differences, keep to their high ideals and strive to attain them, will surely bring about prosperity and unity, if carried into daily practice.

California sends greetings, warm and true, to her noble Scottish sisters and brothers, and wishes added prosperity and harmony to crown their efforts.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Matron—Mrs. Margaret Lawson Keith, Dundee.

Grand Patron—Mr. William Jack, Violet.

Grand Secretary—Mr. Gilbert Gunn, 112 Bath Street, Glasgow.

The Half Year Meeting. Glasgow, Oct. 29, 1910.

This meeting was opened in due form by the Grand Matron and her office-bearers, all of whom were present with the exception of Grand Conductress, Grand Adah and Grand Electa. The Welcome extended to all members and visitors was brief, but cordial. The minutes of the last annual were "held as printed," and those of the Grand Committee of September 16th and October 5th were adopted and the "by-laws" of Chapters Margaret and Martha adopted as amended.

A draft petition for initiation in the Subordinate Chapters was prepared, after rescinding the act of the last annual meeting, relative to the appending of the clause stating that this is purely a Christian Order. This objectionable clause was changed to read: "The Order of the Eastern Star is founded on Christian principles, and this should be pointed out to all applicants for admission."

A communication from Sister Hart, P. M. W. Grand Matron, Chairman of the Committee on Appeals, was read. She asked for a copy of their last proceedings and urged attendance at the General Grand Chapter. "Reasons devious." The Grand Secretary was instructed to reply that the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland is a separate Sovereign Body, under the Concordat with the General Grand Chapter, and that they cannot recognize any appeal from their members to any other body.

An appeal of a sister against the Matron and Patron of her Chapter was considered, and partly investigated, when the parties concerned affected a settlement and withdrew the appeal.

An organization of colored people, styling themselves "Ruth Supreme Grand Chapter, O. E. S., of the State of New York," asked that the Grand Chapter of Scotland enter into fraternal correspondence with them. The Grand Secretary was instructed to reply declining such fraternal correspondence.

The Revised Form of Petition for the use of all Subordinate Chapters, has the "Objects of the Order of the Eastern Star," and a short account of its history and present numerical condition given on the back of the petition.

Of Scotland it says: "August 20, 1904.—The Scottish Chapters were united, forming the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland, having jurisdiction over the British Dominions, except upon the Continent of North America.

"October, 1910.—The Order has obtained a firm hold in Scotland, where there are 3,709 members and 29 Chapters holding of the Supreme Grand Chapter of Scotland, of which there are 27 in Scotland, 1 in England, and 1 in New Zealand. The membership is increasing with great rapidity."

The half yearly meeting will be held on the last Saturday of October each year, and at the same hour and place as the annual meeting.

The question of the term of validation of Proxy Commissions was ultimately referred to the Grand Committee, *primo loco*.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Grand Matron and Grand Patron for presiding, and Supreme Grand Chapter closed in due form.

GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER.

Thirteenth Triennial Assembly. Jacksonville, Florida, Nov. 8, 9, 19, 1910.

"He calleth us to deeds and words of love,
As Spring calls forth from wintry crust, the flowers;
He breathes within us spirit from above,
As zephyrs breathe within the sunny bowers;
He saith, 'Arise,' and forth you must go,
Where duty calls, where sorrow hath its sway;
He points our feet the proper path, and lo,
He promiseth to be with us always."

—Quoted by *E. S. W., P. M. W. G. M.*

The Triennial Assembly at Jacksonville was especially interesting to California, because of the prominence given our Past Grand Patron, Casimir J. Wood, as Chairman of the Jurisprudence Committee, and the deference shown his various reports throughout the session.

Past Most Worthy Grand Matron, Mary Partridge; Worthy Grand Matron, Ada M. Dalton; Associate Grand Matron, Nellie A. Darling; Grand Secretary, Kate J. Willats, and Past Grand Matron, Abbie E. Krebs, held the banner of California high during their attendance at the session.

This grand body is a sovereignty of unity in essentials, a modicum of liberty in non-essentials, and a charity in all things permitted.

The General Grand Chapter is the conservator of the Order of the O. E. S. Its landmarks, twelve in number, are recorded in the Ritual, pages 2, 3 and 4.

A concordat with Scotland is part of its Constitution. By this agreement the "Supreme Chapter of Scotland" was changed to the "Grand Chapter of Scotland." It has exclusive jurisdiction over Great Britain, Ireland and the British Empire, save that of British America.

A Supreme or General Grand Chapter is to be instituted when it seems expedient to do so. They use the Ritual supplied by General Grand Chapter. Their Past Supreme officers are now termed Past Grands, and given Past Grand recognition, and Grand Honors.

The General Grand Chapter is supreme in all matters pertaining to its own organization, and work therein, and has sovereignty over the Ritual of the Order, prescribing landmarks, obligations, degrees, installations, burial service and all matters pertaining to the Ritual of the Order. It furnishes Rituals to all the Grand and Subordinate Chapters under its jurisdiction.

It has authority to settle inter-state Grand Chapter difficulties, relative to law and polity. Power is vested to levy upon Grand Chapters not to exceed two cents per capita per annum, also to recognize a Grand Chapter outside of the United States as an independent Supreme body within its prescribed jurisdiction.

No one who has not been installed Grand Matron or Grand Patron of a Grand Chapter is eligible to office in the General Grand Chapter.

Each Grand Chapter has four votes: G. M., G. P., A. G. M. and A. G. P. Each subordinate Chapter under the jurisdiction of General Grand Chapter has one vote.

A proxy for the Chapter must be a member of said Chapter, and a proxy for a Grand Officer must be a member of Grand Chapter.

The Most Worthy Grand Matron presides. She exercises all the executive powers of General Grand Chapter, except that of organization—here the Most Worthy Grand Patron is supreme. Her decisions are in force until the General Grand Chapter approves or disapproves.

The assembly of 1910 was the greatest in the history of General Grand Chapter. All the Worthy Grand Officers were present.

Mary E. Partridge was given the honor of calling the assembly to order and inviting the Worthy Grand Officers into the General Chapter room.

When seated, the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister Washburn, and the Right Worthy Grand Secretary were the recipients of yellow and white chrysanthemums by the Grand Matrons of their respective States.

A song, dedicated to the Most Worthy Grand Matron by Sister Atwood, formed part of the opening ceremony.

The Past Grand Matron of Scotland, Sister Foulds, sent a package of heather, to be distributed among the members, also a letter of greeting. In her conclusion she quoted from Seneca: "True friends are the whole world to one another, and they who are friends to themselves are also friends to mankind."

Addresses of welcome and response were given with all the fervor and beauty found in the Grand Jurisdictions.

Eight Past Most Worthy Matrons were presented to the East by the right Worthy Grand Conductress and Associate Conductress, where they received Grand Honors.

The wife of the Most Worthy Grand Patron, and the husband of the Most Worthy Grand Matron received enthusiastic welcome.

The addresses of the Most Worthy Grand Matron and Most Worthy Grand Patron were elevating and inspiring, filled with helpful, loving thoughts and lofty moral precepts.

They included interesting statements of what had been accomplished for the advancement and extension of the Order and its present high standard. Both bore the indelible evidence of the superb devotion to duty, and high degree of efficiency and zeal manifested.

The policy pursued promoted fraternalism, the self-sacrifice manifested, and words of love and harmony at all times expressed, had been of incalculable value in the upbuilding of the Order.

These sweet home truths from the address of Sister Washburn must have fallen as gentle manna on the minds of her hearers: "We, as a people, need sunshine. We need bright things around us. We crave the love of our fellow beings, and their approval. We need to look into happy faces. God has given us these requirements; how shall we best attain them? By first looking into our own hearts, by casting out all bitterness and jealousy, by never letting an opportunity pass for doing some kind act, be it ever so simple. * * * The Order of the Eastern Star needs to be taught fraternalism more than it needs constitutions and books of instruction."

Touching and beautiful memorial to the fraternal dead formed a part of her address. The passing beyond of their late Worthy Grand Martha, Sister Mary Pickney Ouzts, received gentle loving tribute, not only by Sister Washburn, but by the Committee on Necrology, at which time sympathy was expressed to the Most Worthy Grand Matron, in the loss she had sustained in her home circle, by a rising vote.

Her request that a page "In Memoriam" be set aside for each Grand Jurisdiction and the record of the departed placed thereon, was complied with. On the page preceding these, we find:

"There is a stream that we all must cross,
The River of Human Years;
Now lying calm in the summer light,
Now splashed with a rain of tears;
Out from the hills of God it flows,
And on the shoreless sea,
Where the noontide sun no shadow throws,
And time is eternity."

Her official acts corresponded in kind to those of the Grand Matrons, as there are 27 Chapters under the direct jurisdiction of General Grand Chapter.

Visitations to 41 Grand Chapter Sessions in the three years, and the trip to Honolulu kept her busy for the good of the Order, aiming to bring about a fraternal spirit and to bring love and harmony. A

feeling that Grand Chapter rights were being usurped by General Grand Chapter had caused some unrest; this she had sought to quiet.

The Honolulu Chapters had an under current of dissatisfaction, which had wrought havoc in the Order on the island, many, having become disgruntled, dimitted. Those remaining were loyal as any to be found. A desire to form a new Chapter resulted in a petition for a dispensation being received by the Most Worthy Grand Patron. Considering all the past disquietude he did not grant it, so action was held in abeyance.

One of the most gratifying features in O. E. S. labors is the work accomplished for Masonic and Eastern Star Homes. On her visit to the Home at Louisville, Ky., on a beautiful Sabbath, two hundred and fifty children assembled in the chapel. While gazing in their upturned faces the Master's words: "And a little child shall lead them," came back to her.

The desire—to have had the members see, as she had, the Homes, where "those for whom the shadows of life have long since lengthened," are comfortable and happy—was expressed with joyous enthusiasm.

Books of instruction have been issued and adopted by most of the Grand Charters. All conform to the laws of General Grand Chapter, except Kansas, which gives to the sisters the power of giving the obligation when instituting Chapters. The Most Worthy Grand Matron called their attention to the Ritual—"a brother must give the obligation."

One brother said the Grand Chapter of Kansas was Supreme and would continue to let the sisters give the obligation at institution.

Although informed by the Most Worthy Grand Matron that *she* decided in favor of the *Ritual*, the opposite was adopted, and she "wondered what a Most Worthy Grand Matron was for, and why there was a General Grand Charter."

The Committees on Jurisprudence and Ritual, acting jointly, censured Kansas Grand Chapter, stating, "the allowance of such utterances was a gross error, and that they had departed from the Ritual, and whether led by intention or lack of knowledge should change, and so render the work as to conform to the Ritual."

The power of General Grand Chapter is very closely circumscribed where Grand Chapters are enjoying autonomy within their own jurisdictions.

The Most Worthy Grand Matron had varied experiences with the laws she found existing. She said in this connection: "We gave away our birthright when we told Grand Chapters to follow Masonic Law,

and in the same breath called for uniformity of law and work. Masonic Law differs in different States."

In one State she found members of Chartered Chapters holding office in a Chapter under dispensation, also in the Grand Chapter—all was in accordance with the Masonic Law. She also found a law whereby Honorary Members may vote and be appointed on committees.

She reported: "In the two Grand Chapters, California and Vermont, the Grand Patron presides and is the head. I believe the Grand Matron is the head officer of the Grand Chapter, and that these Grand Chapters should come into line. They certainly have women who are fully as capable as the men."

Later the Joint Committee congratulated the Most Worthy Grand Matron upon the success of her efforts in California, and that Grand Jurisdiction upon its upward step (giving the Grand Matron the power of presiding during the opening, reception of Grand Officers and Grand Representatives and closing) and trusted it would continue to advance. And in this connection Vermont was commended to the special attention of the incoming officers.

The noble character of Sister Washburn was nowhere so well expressed as in her attempts to bind the Chapters of New York and New Jersey to the General Grand Chapter by silken cords of love, saying: "They have the same foundation stone of love as we have. They derive light and joy from the same central star. They listen to the cry of the widow and orphan, the call of want and the piteous wail of sorrow. I love them as I love you, and although we do not see things from the same point of view, let us join hands in carrying on the work intended for the Order of the Eastern Star."

The Grand Chapters contributed liberally to the expenses of the Most Worthy Grand Matron \$625 being accredited to 17 Grand Jurisdictions; fourteen different States enjoyed making her the "Guest of Grand Chapter," while California, Wyoming and Montana added personal pocket money.

Most Worthy Grand Patron, William H. Norris, felt that the arduous duties of his stewardship would have proven onerous and exacting had not the altruistic purposes of the Order brought an atmosphere of fraternity.

Three years ago the Order was practically an unknown rite in the Dominion of Canada, now there are 20 Chartered Chapters in seven Provinces, from British Columbia and the Yukon on the west to New Brunswick in the far east.

Requests for the organization of Chapters in Mexico, South Africa and various isles of the sea, were refused, as he considered the condi-

tions did not offer permanence, since many were temporary sojourners in these lands.

A Chapter has been chartered at Ebbchester, Durham, England. The Worthy Patron is a clergyman of the Church of England. The numerical strength of the Grand Chapter of Scotland was estimated at 900. The opposition to the Order in England will soon be overcome. "Ireland is not yet ripe for the establishment of the O. E. S."

Oklahoma and Indian Territory having attained statehood, the two Grand Chapters agreed on a plan of consolidation, and called a convention to meet in Guthrie, Oklahoma, Feb. 12, 1909, for the purpose of carrying into effect said proposed consolidation. Sister Washburn, Most Worthy Grand Matron, was commissioned to serve as the Most Worthy Grand Patron's Special Deputy. She presided over the deliberations and assisted in the organization of the new Grand Chapter.

As closing thoughts: "After all, and over all, and above all, it is the pulse-beat of fellowship, the mystic tie of humanity, the indescribable hope of immortality, which brings to the hearts of our votaries, that spirit of *fraternity*, the sunshine of which illumines the world." The story was told of the Pagan, the Christian and the Jew, who, differing in their appellations of the Deity, found in the word "Father" a reality from the heart; whereupon, their differences forgotten, they raised their eyes heavenward and said, with reverence and love, "Our Father." Then they took each other by the hand and communed together in the spirit of true *fraternity*.

"For kindly thoughts and kindly deeds,
Are treasures more than crowns and creeds."

The Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Lorraine J. Pitkin, submitted her seventh triennial report, a most interesting history of the numerical and financial growth of the Order during her twenty-one years of incumbency.

By the judicious exercise of courage and rare business acumen she has brought this organization to its present stable condition financially. Throughout her 33 years of General Grand Chapter service, her aim has been its advancement. The Proceedings give a page of six photogravures of her, giving her official title, terms of service, and words of praise; closing by saying: "We all agree that among our vast collection of gems or jewels treasured in the hearts of our members, there is no duplicate, there is none other just like Lorraine J. Pitkin, *The Jewel of the General Grand Chapter*."

The photogravures are produced from photographs taken in 1878, 1883, 1889, 1897, 1902 and 1910.

During her term of office she has seen the General Grand Chapter grow from the following in 1889:

39 Chapters under G. G. C. with membership.....	2,013
696 Chapters in 16 Grand Chapters, membership.....	33,567
90 Chapters in N. Y., N. J., Conn. and Vt., membership.....	5,300

825 Chapters, with a total membership of..... 40,880
In 1910:

27 Chapters under G. G. C., membership	1,501
6,109 Chapters in 46 Grand Chapters, membership.....	487,537
516 Chapters in N. Y., N. J., and Scotland, membership.....	44,499

6,652 Chapters, with total membership of..... 533,537

Number of Rituals sold, 177,136, of which 190 were German Rituals.

The finances of G. G. C. are in excellent condition; cash on hand, \$23,253.36; total assets, \$26,585.94.

Every Grand Chapter, except Vermont, was represented.

The total vote cast by delegates was 311.

There are twenty-seven Chapters under General Grand Chapter Jurisdiction, located as follows: Two in Alaska, with a membership of 126; one in Cananea, Sonora, Mexico, with 53 members; one in Manila, Philippine Islands, numbering 82 on its roll; two in Honolulu, 137 strong, and one at Hilo containing a membership of 40, making 177 on the Island of Hawaii.

Canada has made a wonderful record—from three Chapters in 1907, it now boasts *twenty*, with 1,061 members.

Sister MacLaren, Worthy Matron, of Chinook Chapter, Alberta, Canada, was proxy for three other Alberta Province Chapters and two Hawaiian Chapters, 6 in all; Sister Perry, Worthy Matron of Vancouver Chapter No. 2, Vancouver, enjoyed the privilege of being the proxy for two other Chapters of British Columbia; Sister Nichols, Worthy Matron of Cananea Chapter No. 1, Mexico, was the representative of the Chapters in Saskatchewan and Alaska as well; Sister Watson, Worthy Matron of Maple Leaf Chapter No. 3, St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada, held the voting power for the Chapters of Brockville, Ontario, and Quebec, and Sister Sewell, Worthy Matron of Victoria Chapter No. 1, Windsor, Ontario, was likewise honored by being permitted to cast the vote for Windsor Chapter, No. 4.

A contingent fund of \$1,500 was set aside for the Most Worthy Grand Matron's expenses. Her salary is \$1,000. The Grand Patron's salary

is \$500. His fund for traveling expenses is \$1,000. The Right Worthy Grand Secretary receives \$1,200 per annum.

Chief among the interests of Assembly was the consideration of proposed amendments to the Constitution and Ritual. For the government of subordinate Chapters' membership we find: "Petitions for the degrees and membership must be received at a stated meeting, referred to a committee and lie over until the next stated meeting, when a ballot may be had thereon."

"Petitions for degrees or membership and reports or balloting thereon cannot be had at a special meeting."

"It requires seven, including one of the first three officers, to constitute a quorum, unless the by-laws shall prescribe a larger number."

Chapters may have collars, robes and other regalia at the discretion of each Grand Chapter. A Chapter may also have banners with proper emblems thereon.

The chairs for the Star Officers may either face the East or be partially turned toward the altar.

Amendment to the Ritual adopted: Page 1 of the Ritual, the following will be introduced in lieu of the section as it now appears: "Master Masons in good standing in a Masonic Lodge, their wives, daughters, legally adopted daughters, mothers, sisters and half-sisters; also the widows, daughters, legally adopted daughters, mothers, sisters and half-sisters of Master Masons who were in good standing at the time of their death, are eligible to membership in this Order; provided that all petitioners shall have attained at least the age of eighteen years."

The Secret Work cannot be used in addenda.

No elaborate marches, requiring the moving of the altar to one side, will be permitted.

An amendment, looking to the entrance of the officers in two files (page 15), leaving out the words "led by the Conductress and Associate Conductress," was considered and disapproved. The clause remains unchanged.

The attempt to amend page 49 of the Ritual, that the word "glean" be substituted for the word "gather a supply," was also unsuccessful.

The Grand Chapter of Missouri petitioned the General Grand Chapter to so change the Labyrinth that the candidates are conducted around the chairs of Martha and Electa before the lectures instead of after, as required by the Ritual (pages 53-58). Their petition was not granted.

Several Grand Jurisdictions sought to secure a change in the requirement of a unanimous ballot for membership, but it was deemed inadvisable to make any alteration in the language of landmark number seven.

On page 4 of the Ritual the bracket and the words "if desired" were ordered stricken out.

The misspelled word "Orphah" was left unchanged, as "we are not strictly following the Bible names."

The request that Chaplain kneel or that General Grand Chapter adopt a uniform position for the Chaplains during the work at the altar was not granted. Her position is still left optional.

On page 5 of the Ritual: That the sentence, "The committee can only report at a regular meeting," be changed to read: "The committee may report to the Worthy Matron at any time and place, and the report must be private and verbal." Disapproved. The Ritual will not be changed in this respect.

The last two sentences above the note on page 33 will be transposed hereafter.

Page 36 of the Ritual, third line, will now read: "The Worthy Patron taking the gavel, says:"

Under "Members' Badges," on page 10, the words "members shall wear" will read "members may wear."

Page 63, Ritual, cannot be changed to read "with the assistance of our Conductress the Worthy Matron will repeat them with explanations."

It is not permissible for a Worthy Matron to leave her station, and with most of the other officers to form a Passion Cross around the altar during the prayers in opening and closing.

Arkansas Grand Chapter desired that: "In No. 3, page 2, fifth line, of the Secret Work, introduce the words, 'as though,' so that this section shall read: 'As though raising,' etc. The amendment to the Secret Work was not adopted.

Hereafter add to "Form for Petition for Degrees" the following words: "Have you ever before petitioned a regularly constituted Chapter of the O. E. S.? Answer, —."

The committee submitted the following without recommendation: Page 23 of the Ritual, at the end of the eighth line strike out the word "by."

An attempt to so amend that the Worthy Patron shall examine the ballot and report the condition previous to the declaration by the Worthy Matron as to the nature of the ballot, but the General Grand Chapter decided that the Ritual should be adhered to, as it now stands, in this respect.

Later the following amendment was adopted (Ritual, page 7, second paragraph): That inserted instructions be amended to read: "After the

Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron have inspected the ballot and no black balls appear, the Worthy Matron will say:"

The Jewish membership under the Grand Chapter of Scotland sent a protest to the resolution by that Grand Body to print at the foot of the petition forms for use in Chapters under its jurisdiction the words, "This is purely a Christian Order," believing it affected vitally the best interests of the Order.

To meet this grievous measure, the General Grand Chapter amended the Ritual as follows: "Amend eighteenth line, page 67, of the Ritual by adding after the word 'reward,' 'The ceremonies through which you have just passed are not intended to teach any particular creed or dogma, but may be applied in accordance with the dictates of your individual conscience, as indicated by the Golden Rule.'"

Several questions were asked concerning which the Ritual is silent. Such were left unanswered. The committee considered that they properly belonged to the various Grand Jurisdictions.

A communication from the Past Grand Matrons and Past Grand Patrons of Texas asked that a remedy for the black ball be included in the landmarks of the Order, in the interest of harmony and progress in all Grand Jurisdictions. The committee felt the landmarks could neither be modified or dispensed with and that relief could only come as the result of admonition, instruction and education.

The subject of incorporation was formulated and holds over till next Assembly. It looks to the permanent location of General Grand Chapter at Washington, D. C., using as an argument, "As a national body, its headquarters should be at the capital of the nation." Why not make it the geographical center, or nearly so? Iowa or Kansas looks good to us in California. Of course, to Brothers Williamson of the District of Columbia and Norris of Indiana it seems different, but why not look to the good of the majority?

During the morning session of the second day Sister Nichols, Worthy Matron of Cananea Chapter, No. 1, Mexico, presented the following, which was referred to the Committee of Jurisprudence: "We, the members of Cananea Chapter, No. 1, ask your consideration of the following request: Owing to the benefits which we believe will be derived from being under the jurisdiction of a Grand Chapter, *Resolved*, That if it does not conflict with your rules and regulations, we request that the jurisdiction of old Mexico be released by the General Grand Chapter, and we be transferred to the jurisdiction of a Grand Chapter near the jurisdiction of old Mexico."

The committee were of the opinion that this would necessitate a change of law, and it was not submitted on the first day of the Assembly. They were also of the opinion that the invitation should come from some Grand Chapter asking this action, as they could not attach territory to any Grand Chapter without the same being mutually agreeable. They therefore recommended that no action be taken.

During the same morning session came a memorial from the Grand Chapter of Texas, petitioning for a release of jurisdiction over the Republic of Mexico, and permission for that territory to be governed by Texas Grand Chapter. The memorial was signed by the Grand Matron, Past Grand Matrons Hart and Lane, and Past Grand Patron McDaniels.

The prayer of this memorial was refused, considering that "conditions were not such as to warrant the waiver of jurisdiction being granted."

The Right Worthy Grand Secretary, Sister Pitkin, moved that an amendment be framed covering such cases. Action on the same was deferred until 1913.

An appeal from Lake City Chapter, Colorado, submitting in full the proceedings of the trial and expulsion of a member whom they believed, upon investigation, to have gained admission by misrepresentation of her husband's Masonic standing. The Grand Chapter had set aside the action of Lake City Chapter and ordered her reinstatement, believing that she was ignorant of the fact that her husband was not in good standing at the time she made application to become a member of the O. E. S.

The General Grand Chapter, concurring in the opinion of the committee that they had no jurisdiction over the case, recommended the return of the appeal to the Chapter in question.

An appeal was made to General Grand Chapter by a Vancouver brother, asking for a Chapter to be instituted in Vancouver, the petition containing fifty signatures, having been sent to the Most Worthy Grand Patron, but he had not considered it advisable to organize the additional Chapter at Vancouver. The matter was referred to the incoming Most Worthy Grand Patron for action.

The incoming Most Worthy Grand Matron was instructed to send out to the different Grand Chapters a circular letter to ascertain the feeling regarding a small per capita tax and to report the result of the investigation at the next Assembly. If such a tax is made, then mileage will be paid one representative of each Grand Chapter in attendance at the Triennial Sessions of the General Grand Chapter.

The Right Worthy Grand Conductress and Right Worthy Grand Associate Conductress are elected by ballot.

The Assembly was, to all outward appearances, like a Grand Chapter session. The accompaniment of entertainments, reception, gifts and speeches had the familiar air.

Three day sessions and two evening sessions were required to complete the minutia of business which should launch the great fraternal ship, well freighted, for its next three years' voyage. It will sail into the lake port, Chicago, in 1913, bringing the news of the fraternal gleanings of the world of the O. E. S.

To the Most Worthy Grand Matron, Sister M. Alice Miller, of El Reno, Oklahoma; Rev. Willis D. Engle, Most Worthy Grand Patron, and Sister Lorraine J. Pitkin, Past Most Worthy Grand Matron and Right Worthy Grand Secretary, have been entrusted the guidance of this mighty vessel. May they be blessed in their labors and be granted the requisite health, strength and wisdom needed in the accomplishment of their highest ideals.

GRAND SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY. }
GRAND CHAPTER, O. E. S., OF CALIFORNIA. }

I CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proceedings of the Thirty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Chapter, O. E. S., of California, held in the City of San Francisco, October 17th, 18th, 19th, and 20th, 1911.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF,
I have herewith affixed the
Seal of the Grand Chapter,
O. E. S., of California, this
4th day of January, A. D.
1912.

Kath J. Willats
Grand Secretary.

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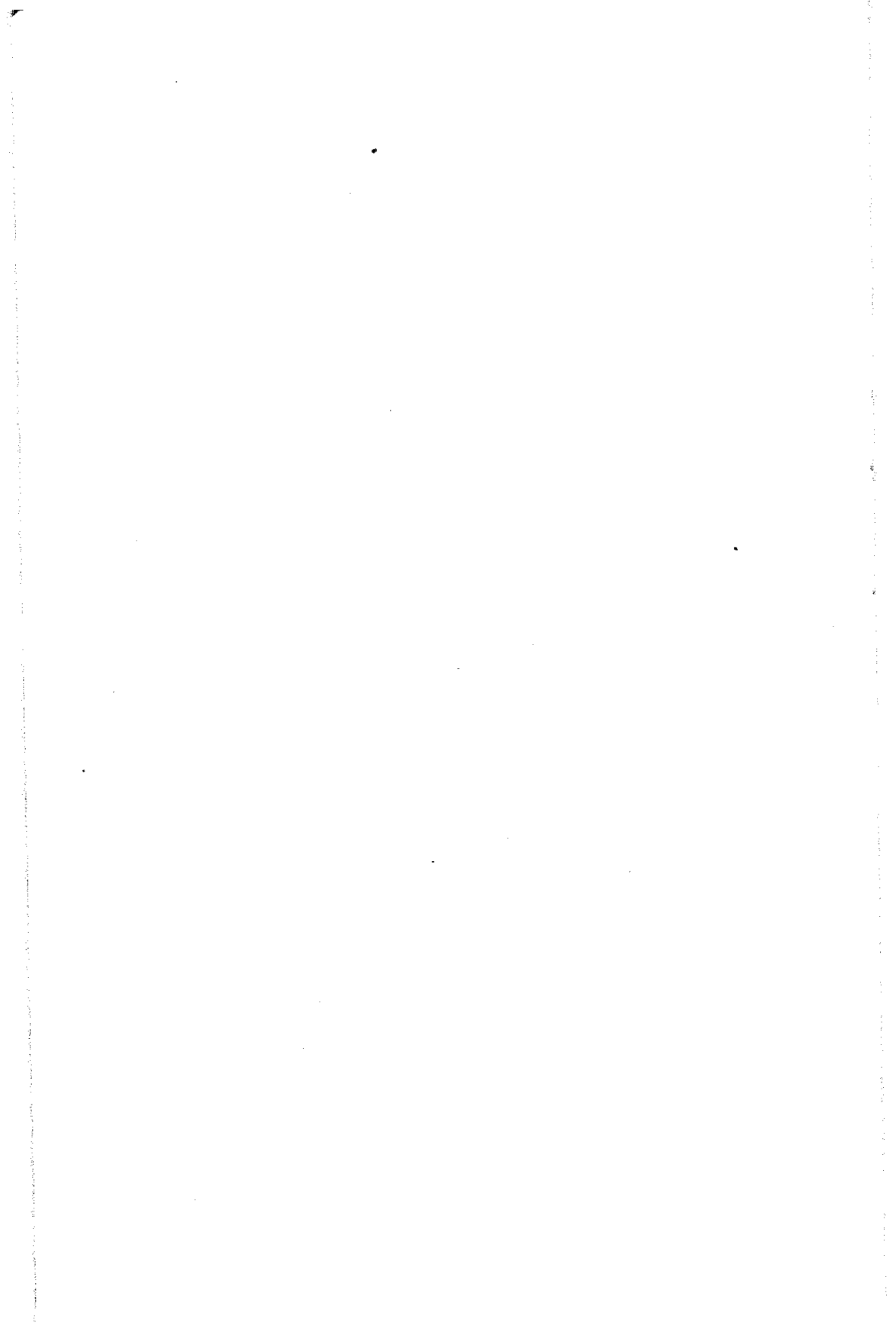
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• **NOTICE.**

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