

NEWS OF THE LODGES.

WHAT GOETH ON AMONG BRETHREN OF THE SECRET FRATERNITIES.

Preparations for Celebrating St. John's Day—A Notable Event in Almas Temple—A Big Batch of Items for Odd Fellows—Happenings Among the Rechabites and Mechanics.

The following Masonic bodies meet upon the evenings of the ensuing week:

Subordinate Lodges.—Masonic Temple—Dawson No. 16, Monday, 23d; Federal No. 1, Tuesday, 24th; New Jerusalem No. 9, Thursday, 26th; St. John's No. 11, Friday, 27th; Hope No. 20, Friday, 27th.

A. A. S. R. Sanctuary, 1007 G street—Cathedral: Harmony No. 17, Thursday, 26th. Blue Room: Arminius No. 25, Monday, 23d; Aecia No. 18, Tuesday, 24th.

Masonic Hall, Georgetown—George C. Whitling No. 22, Thursday, 26th; Stansbury No. 24, Monday, 23d.

Royal Arch Chapters.—Masonic Temple—Mt. Vernon No. 3, Monday, 23d; Washington No. 2, Thursday, 26th; Eureka No. 4, Friday, 27th.

Masonic Hall, Georgetown—Potomac No. 8, Tuesday, 24th.

Commanderies Knights Templar.—Masonic Temple—De Molay No. 4, Tuesday, 24th; Washington No. 1, Wednesday, 25th.

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.—Sanctuary, 1007 G street—Robert De Bruce Council of Kadosh, Tuesday, 24th.

Hope Lodge No. 20 will confer the first degree Friday evening.

Aecia Lodge No. 18 will confer the third degree Tuesday evening.

St. John's Lodge No. 11 will confer the third degree Friday evening.

Arminius Lodge No. 25 will confer the first degree Monday evening.

Dawson Lodge No. 16 will confer the second degree Monday evening.

Harmony Lodge No. 17 will confer the third degree Thursday evening.

It is expected that Federal Lodge No. 1 will confer the second degree Tuesday evening.

New Jerusalem Lodge No. 9 will confer the first and second degrees Thursday evening.

Stansbury Lodge No. 24 will confer either the second or the third degree Monday evening.

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La Fayette Chapter No. 5 will hold a special convocation on Tuesday, June 24, for the Past and Most Excellent degrees.

Washington Commandery No. 1 will confer the Order of the "Red Cross" Wednesday evening on a large class of candidates.

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A meeting of the Savings Association of Columbia Commandery No. 2 was held last Friday evening and important business relative to the Denver trip transacted.

Mount Vernon Chapter No. 3 will confer the Royal Arch degree Monday evening. In case, however, it should be found necessary to postpone this degree the Mark will be substituted.

Potomac Royal Arch Chapter No. 8 have dispensed with the regular convocation of next Tuesday evening on account of the celebration of St. John's day. At the first convocation in July the Royal Arch degree will be worked.

De Molay Commandery No. 4 will probably postpone all degree work on Tuesday evening, as it is expected that the delegation from Chassecour Corinthian Commandery of Philadelphia, who were unable to attend the last convocation, as previously announced, will in all probability be present next Tuesday evening, and if such is the case the entire evening will be devoted to the proper entertainment of the guests.

Twenty new lockers have been built in the ante-room of the asylum at Masonic Temple, and, as each locker will accommodate two Sir Knights, they will prove of great benefit and supply a long-felt want. They have been distributed as follows: Washington No. 1, seven; Columbia No. 2, seven; De Molay No. 4, six. The lockers are sold at \$10 apiece, and can be utilized by forty of the Templars, who wish to leave their uniforms and accoutrements at the temple.

The services at the Dunbarton-street Methodist Church on Tuesday evening (St. John's Day) did fair to be attended by a very large gathering of Knights Templar, and if the weather is cool and pleasant will rival any of the later Temple events. The Rev. Sir Knight Dr. Price, pastor of the church, is one of the most thorough and conscientious Masons in the city, besides being very eminent in his profession. His address on this occasion will undoubtedly be one of the most interesting and instructive discourses which the several commanderies have had the pleasure of listening to, and the Sir Knights who fail to attend the service will miss a very instructive lecture.

Dimly through the arched windows of the cathedral entered the soft and subdued light in many rich-toned colors, and from within stole out on the quiet of the night faint bursts of some entrancing Eastern melody, harmonizing beautifully with the plaintive call of the katydid and illuminating the tiny lanterns of the lightning bugs with the many-hued radiance of the lustre of the Shrine. Such was the exterior appearance of the cathedral last Monday evening; but what facile pen can describe the magnificent scene of Oriental pageantry which was being enacted within? Rich hangings, brought from Eastern lands; luxurious divans, whose soft seductive cushions seemed fit to recline the very God of Sleep; towering palms and flowering plants, amid the romantic fringe of which minstrels with the lute and reed sent forth those beautiful symphonies which the prophet loved, while from above in the half-concealed choir loft the mellow-toned organ pealed forth those delightful cadences in answer to the wild and clashing music of the cymbal and the muffled drum, while above the galleries, rising majestically nearly to the vaulted arch of the roof, stood the Shrine before which in reverent posture knelt the neophytes of the night. Not again until next October will Almas Temple meet for a similar purpose, and this fact was probably the cause for one of the largest attendances known in the history of the temple last Monday evening.

The description of the "Mosque of Omar," which follows, is taken from the writings of an eminent Masonic authority, and throughout will be of interest to Masons in general. "This splendid edifice on Mount Moriah covers a portion of the space once occupied by the more brilliant Temple of Solomon. It is believed to have been commenced by the Caliph Omar, the first of that name and the father-in-law of Mahomet, between the years 638 and 644, and very much enlarged, beautified, and enriched in fact, quite rebuilt by the Caliph Abdel Melek in 686. It was seven years in building—the Moslems believed it to stand over the rock on which Jacob was sleeping when he saw the vision of the heavenly ladder—but it is still more sacred to them, as to us, from having been the sacred rock beneath the altar of Solomon's Temple whereon the daily sacrifices were offered. During the time of the Latin kingdom in Jerusalem this mosque became a Christian cathedral,

where the service was daily sung and an altar erected on the summit of the rock. The building was called by the Crusaders the 'Temple of the Lord.' The fanciful and intricate patterns of the porcelain wall of the mosque, the graceful letters of the inscription round it, and the tracery of the windows are still more beautiful on a closer inspection. Nothing can be more perfect of their kind or more peculiarly charming than the harmony of the colors. The windows are filled with stained glass of the very richest colors. Two rows of columns encircle the centre, forming a double corridor, and support the dome. The rock itself is inclosed in a metal screen of lattice work about six feet high, and to it, we are told, in 333 the Jews came every year and anointed the stone with oil. Below it is the noble care spoken of in the 'Mishna,' into which the blood from the altar drained, and descended thence by a conduit into the valley of Sileam."

Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Fred D. Stuart Encampment is booming.

Capl. Shackelford has been very much under the weather from an attack of muscular rheumatism.

Harmony Lodge No. 9 initiated one candidate. Past Grand J. W. Nicholson, pastor of the First M. P. Church, was present.

Past Grand Master Thomas W. Fowler, although old in the service, does not omit attending his lodge, even for the hot weather.

Grand Secretary Ross, of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, passed through this city on his way to meet the committee on printing at Atlantic City.

Ruth Lodge No. 3, D. of R., on Thursday took a trip to Bay Ridge. The large number attending made it quite profitable as well as pleasant.

Grand Master W. H. Frazier is preparing for the meeting of the Grand Lodge in July, and will submit several important recommendations at that meeting.

Canton C drill every Saturday night, and have an average of twenty at each drill. Members of other cantons are invited to join in the drill when convenient.

Capl. McLean has read the order relative to the Chicago triennial parade so frequently that he can almost repeat the four pages without looking at the text.

Central Lodge No. 1, with their fine set of young men as officers, do the work of the order equal to any in the District. Their excursion to Marshall Hall was a success, notwithstanding the rain.

In the woods adjoining Eckington the Grand Canton Patriarchs Militant propose holding a picnic and garden party next Wednesday afternoon and evening. The committee in charge assure a good time.

Naomi Lodge No. 1, D. of R., initiated four candidates last Monday night, after which the election of officers was held. The visitors from Martha Washington Lodge were numerous and cordially welcomed.

Mount Nebo Encampment No. 5 elected their officers last Wednesday night. J. Frank Whitmore, one of the old members, has accepted the position of Senior Warden, to which he was chosen by a unanimous vote.

Federal City Lodge will make a fine showing at the next grand visitation. The members are in earnest, and the people of the northwest section have begun to appreciate that there is a fine lodge of Odd Fellows among them.

Columbia Lodge No. 10 initiated one candidate in the presence of the Grand Master of Virginia, William F. Larrabee, who dropped in accidentally. Brother Larrabee was on his way to pay an official visit to Potomac Lodge No. 38, at Alexandria, Friday night.

Central No. 1 and Eastern No. 7 meet at Odd Fellows' Hall, Seventh street northwest; Metropolitan No. 16, corner Ninth and D streets northwest; Mechanics' Lodge No. 18, Our Hall, N street, Georgetown, and Federal City No. 20, at Modford Hall, Eighth and I streets northeast, meet next Friday night.

Union Lodge No. 11 conferred the second degree upon five members last Monday night. The annual excursion of this lodge takes place to-morrow to Bay Ridge, and in consequence of it being the regular meeting night the lodge assembled last night in regular session and attended to the ordinary business of the week. Since January 1, 1890, the lodge has initiated twenty-three candidates and have quite a number pending, but the team require rest and have therefore decided to postpone the team work until September 1, when they expect to have at least a dozen or more candidates for their first meeting, and intend to go right along increasing their present number, 206. The exchequer of the Grand Lodge will be materially increased by the work done by this lodge.

Past President Sarah M. Sanderson recom mended to the late Rebekah Convention of this District: First, To acknowledge in the constitution that the convention derives and exercises its powers from the Grand Lodge of this Jurisdiction. Second, That the term of officers shall begin at the installation of the officers elected for the ensuing year. Third, Eliminate the Order of Business and Rules of Order as an article of the constitution. Fourth, That Rebekah Lodges be left at liberty to add to the beauty of illustrating the text of the ritual, thus adding beauty and impressiveness to the lessons as well as creating a friendly rivalry among lodges to present the best work. Fifth, That Rebekah lodges observe promptly the recommendations of the Sovereign Grand Lodge relative to holding memorial services. Sixth, That the addition of a higher degree to the Rebekah branch of the order is not needed or desired. Seventh, That the creation of a permanent grand assembly or convention is not desired. Eighth, Adopt a programme of recitations and readings, interspersed with music and singing at the meetings when no team work is to be performed. Ninth, Avoid lack of dignity in conducting the lodge meetings. Tenth, Offices of lodges should be exclusively filled by sisters. Eleventh, Provision should be made to liquidate the indebtedness of the convention.

Independent Order of Rechabites. The second Tuesday in next month the High Tent meets, remember.

Western Tent No. 165 will locate in Georgetown in the near future.

Peerless Tent No. 21, (Ladies' Branch), Georgetown, it will be next week.

Hagerstown Rechabites are arranging to entertain the loyal visitors in characteristic style.

Eagle Tent No. 2, Odd Fellows' Hall, Navy Yard, always reliable, after a spirited business session had an entertaining good-order programme.

Friendship Tent No. 73, Red Men's Hall, last Monday evening, after a first-class initiation and conferring degrees and transacting important business, was favored with encouraging addresses by High Secretary W. J. Webb and others. Initiation and important business to-morrow evening.

Eagle Tent No. 1 (Juniors) had the usual well attended and interesting meeting last Monday evening, some of the boys becoming quite enthusiastic. Among the Juniors making remarks were Brothers Allie Murray, Ernest Dunn, Samuel Denham, John Wilmutt, Kolvix Harlan, James Bearns, and Will Mahoney.

Redemption Tent No. 144, Masonic Hall, Navy Yard, had a good attendance Wednesday evening. After the usual business and arranging for a cake contest, stirring remarks were made by Grand Representative Logan L. Wright, High Representative William H. Douglass, Past High Chief Ruler J. J. Murray,

Brother Samuel Ellis, Brothers Taylor and Vanderslice, and High Secretary W. J. Webb.

At the recent session of the Grand Tent Grand Chief Ruler E. S. Woodford announced the standing committees, as follows: On State of the Order, A. M. Dewey, L. H. Patterson, and T. S. Dunn; Constitution and Law, J. L. Wright, W. J. Webb, and J. D. Buckner; Appeals, J. J. Murray, A. M. Dewey, and W. J. Webb; Credentials and Returns, L. H. Patterson, A. B. Hurlbut, and G. J. Murray; Finance, W. H. Douglass, E. C. Lucas, and William Pallas.

Purity Tent No. 4 (Ladies' Branch) had a good attendance Monday evening. Members and visitors were favored with remarks by Chief Ruler A. A. Allison, solo by Miss Clara Price, Past Chief Ruler; remarks by Past High Chief Ruler J. J. Murray, song by Mrs. Mary Cecil, remarks by Past Chief Ruler Clarence Mills, reading by Mrs. Lily Murray, Past Chief Ruler; remarks by Brother Andrew Brown and Sisters C. Mills, G. Allen, and Louisa Circle, and song by Past Chief Ruler George J. Murray. A social will follow the business meeting to-morrow evening.

Independent Order Mechanics. Every member of the order should join the Endowment degree.

Brother J. B. Smoot, of Columbia Lodge No. 1, has removed to 455 G street northwest.

P. S. R. J. M. Richards, of Friendship Lodge No. 7, the members of the lodge will regret to learn, is no better.

There are two important things members should never neglect: First, to keep their dues paid; second, to read THE SUNDAY HERALD, the only paper that prints the lodge news.

Good Will Lodge No. 14 meets at Our Hall, 3210 N street, Washington, on Tuesday evening. At the last meeting Brother Walter Handy received the Apprentice degree, and Brother James J. Freeman the Master's degree. This lodge has a musical circle, which greatly enlivens the meetings. At their next meeting the Apprentice degree will be conferred upon six candidates and the Mechanic's degree upon two. Although this is the baby lodge in years, if the older lodges do not hold the pole to recruit their membership, Brother Murphy's smiling face is missed at the meetings of the lodge. At the next meeting, June 24, officers for the ensuing term will be elected, and it is hoped that every member will be present.

Lafayette Lodge No. 13 held one of their old-time meetings Thursday, June 19, at their hall, 609 C street northwest. Brother Jos. G. Love-day was elected to membership. In reporting the visitors of Lafayette Lodge No. 7, of Baltimore, who were with us on May 22, the name of Steinlager was inadvertently omitted. Nominations being in order, the following were made: For Worthy Master, C. A. Evard; for Junior Master, J. R. Fagan; for Recording Secretary, Edw. Hodgkins; for Financial Secretary, C. H. Scott; for Treasurer, R. B. Wilson; for Chaplain, Frank O'Brien; for Conductor, C. O. Horton.

Past Supreme Ruler J. M. Richards is still unable to resume his place in the "house." He will soon take a trip to Ohio for his health. Grand Representative John W. Thompson, of No. 11, and Grand Conductor G. W. Berry, of No. 1, were among the visitors. Election of officers Thursday, June 26. A full attendance of members is requested. The third degree will be worked.

Columbia Lodge No. 1 held a large and interesting meeting on Tuesday evening. Past Master Freedman, residing at 925 E street northwest, and Brother J. W. Nolan, residing at 201 New Jersey avenue northwest, were reported sick. Brother R. G. Finkler received the second and Brother E. F. Earl the third degrees. The lodge decided to have a public installation of the officers for the new term on Tuesday evening, July 1, 1890, and the following named brothers were appointed a committee to make arrangements: P. G. A. D. G. Eichelberger, P. M. Orlé, Schuler, and A. G. Scholten. Visitors present: Grand Architect T. H. Watson, of Anchor Lodge No. 9, and Brother C. A. Evard, of Lafayette Lodge No. 13. The appointments for the recruiting committee were as follows: William E. Lucas, James Lingenfelter, Charles M. Lovelace, James H. Loveless, John W. Lovell, D. C. Lamb, T. L. Lewis, J. H. Lambden, Eugene Long, Jos. S. Martin, Sr., Michael Mc-Nulty, John Mearns, John H. Marvey, William A. Miller, John McCullom, Jos. S. Martin, Jr., Bey. R. Mortimer, E. R. Martin, George Matthews, Richard A. Miller, and Edwin H. Morse.

Golden Cross Notes. The little State of Rhode Island has thirteen working commanderies within her borders.

Knights F. E. Woodward, K. of R. of Meridian, who has been ill for some weeks past, is again able to be at his post.

Mr. Fred O. Congdon and Mr. Edward Allen are among the recent additions to the membership of Mount Vernon Commandery.

Eighty-five applications for membership have been filed with the commanderies in this District, during the present term, up to this date.

Grand Commander Ehle has appointed commandery deputies as follows: For Good Will No. 21, Waldo G. Perry; Meridian No. 178, S. E. Gough; Mount Vernon No. 440, William H. Pope.

Good Will Commandery has 156 members on its rolls, with four applications pending. This commandery has lost but six members by death during the past twelve years, the average membership during that time being 100.

The first grand visitation to Mount Vernon Commandery took place on Tuesday evening last, and was a most pleasant as well as profitable occasion. Great satisfaction was expressed by the grand officers at the excellent condition of the affairs of this young and growing commandery.

The officers of the Grand Commandery visited Anacostia Commandery No. 423, last Wednesday evening, and were welcomed by a goodly number of members. Though somewhat isolated from her sisters in this jurisdiction, yet No. 423 is composed of material that is bound to succeed, with occasional luminous suggestions from "over the river." By the way, the police force of this city seems to be well represented in No. 423, officers F. F. McCarthran, R. O. Prather, and W. T. Anderson being members. They are welcome, fraternally, but are never needed in their public capacity.

Elections for commandery officers to serve during the term beginning July 1, 1890, were held during the past week by the commanderies named, resulting as follows:

Haley No. 125—P. N. C., A. H. Stamp; N. C., Thomas Hamprig; V. N. C., Mrs. Sarah E. Adkins; W. P., Dr. I. P. Lewis; K. of R., Milton T. Adkins; F. K. of R., R. D. Meaton; Treasurer, James S. Starn; W. H., Joseph Trainor; W. I. G., Mrs. M. K. Stetson; W. O. G., George H. Cline.

Mt. Vernon, No. 440—P. N. C., Dr. B. W. Summy; N. C., S. Norris Thorne; V. N. C., Miss Maggie Weaver; W. P., W. H. Stewart; K. of R., M. S. Venable; F. K. of R., David Cranmer; Treasurer, Jos. Jouty; W. H., C. J. Harrison; W. I. G., Miss Emma V. Dulin; W. O. G., William J. Bagley.

National No. 346—P. N. C., L. C. Handy;

N. C., Edward Howison; V. N. C., Mrs. Margaret McBride; W. P., Miss Emma Doyle; K. of R., Leslie R. Trembley; F. K. of R., Jos. B. Bailey; Treasurer, R. H. Yates; W. H., Alex. L. England; W. I. G., Miss Annie Beach; W. O. G., J. W. Speake, Jr.; Organist, Miss Lizzie Howison.

Iron Hall News. At a mass-meeting held at St. George's Hall June 9 quite a large number of prominent men of Washington were present and signed the enrollment book, thereby instituting Branch No. 195 of the popular Order of the Iron Hall.

The following were elected to office in the branch: Past Chief Justice, John J. Gardner; Chief Justice, Charles A. Caho; Vice Justice, Henry E. Riley; Accountant, H. C. Fisher; Cashier, James H. Turpin; Adjuster, William H. Coker; Prelate, John W. Sanderson; Watchman, Charles C. Clark; Herald, Thomas A. Mitchell; Vedette, John A. Bickerton; Medical Examiner, Dr. R. A. Neale. This order has had unparalleled success in the past nine years.

The next meeting will be held at St. George's Hall, 512 Eleventh street northwest, June 23, at 8 P. M. All are welcome. For further particulars send your address to H. C. Fisher, 1271 Thirty-second street, or come to meeting.

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