COMMANDERIES ARRIVE IN CITY AND TAKE PART IN DIVINE SERVICES

Read Special Ritual at Mechanics' Pavilion.

California's Choir Joins in With Trinity's.

Preceded by California Commandery's Templar Choir and the choir of Trinity Church singing "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus," the members of California Commandery marched down the aisle of Mechanics' Pavilion yesterday to attend religious services. Every seat in the great building was occupied and many who sought admission were turned away. The Knights in full uniform presented a splendid appearance. At the conclusion of the hymn the reading of responses was begun by Prelate Ferguson in the words "The earth is the Lord's and all that therein is; the compass of the world and they that dwell therein." The Knights responded with the next paragraph of the psalm and it was concluded verse by verse. The Lord's Prayer was then rendered by the Templar Choir, followed by another responsive reading beginning as follows:

Prelate: We remember, O Lord, and we do most humbly beseech thee to remember our country, that our rulers may have grace, wisdom and understanding to execute justice and to maintain the truth; that the people may lead quiet and peaceable lives in all godliness and honesty; that our lands may yield their increase of the kindly fruits of the earth, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater; and that all things may be so ordered and settled upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for generations.

CHOIR SINGS HYMNS.

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul," by the Templar Choir, was the next number, followed by the Declaration of Faith, the Apostles' Creed and Gounod's Sanctus. The first lesson (Psalm 139), the Te Deum, the second lesson (I. Peter, 11:7-17) an dthe anthem "Praise Ye the Father," followed. The sermon by Rev. Dr. Clampett was a splendid effort. Without going back into the history of the order he commented on their adherence to Christian faith, concluding with a splendid tribute to the memory of the late President McKinley. In part he said:

In this capital city of the Western extremity of a vast continent are gathered together under one roof representatives of one of the greatest orders of the world. Out of the mist and fog of human judgment rises the sun of Christian belief. Those here assembled have just repeated the Apostles' Creed. This spirit of this creed is the foundation of all that is best in human belief. It registers a vow which once made on earth is sealed in eternity and is the noblest that a man can make.

PILLAR OF THE KNIGHTS.

This spirit of reverence to obey a higher power, the absolute recognition of the existence of higher powers both religiously and in civic life is one of the pillars of the Knights Templar.

We all remember the late President McKinley during his visit to this city. How sweet and modest he was. How nobly he ministered to the woman he loved before he was cut down by the bloody hand of the assassin.

On his deathbed the faith of the Knights Templar sustained him, and, although his spirit has fled, he still speaks to you of God and the love of men, even though the hand of a fellow-man robbed him of his life. Let us pledge ourselves to God and the love of our fellow-men.

The choirs which furnished the music were made up as follows:

California Commandery Templar Choir—A. A. Batkin, organist and director; D. M. Lawrence, C. T. Wendell, A. C. Lawrence, R. W. Smith, E. C. Boysen, A. A. Batkin, R. D. Burness, H. W. Patrick, L. A. Larsen, W. C. Campbell, A. Mennie, E. G. MacBain.

Trinity Church Choir: Soloists—Miss Millie Flynn, soprano; Miss Una Fairweather, contralto; Chester Rosekrans, tenor; Peter J. Olssen, bass.

The officers of California Commandery are: E. Sir Charles M. Plum, commander; Sir Knight Otto F. Westphal, generalissimo; E. Sir R. P. Hurlbut, captain general; Sir Knight Phineas F. Ferguson, prelate.

SEEKS NEXT CONCLAVE.

New York Delegation Will Boom Saratoga for Meeting Place.

The Grand Commandery of the State of New York, headed by Sir Arthur MacArthur, very eminent grand standard bearer to the Grand Encampment, arrived from the East shortly after 10 o'clock last evening, and went direct to its headquarters on the fourth floor of the Palace Hotel. In the party, which is a representative one, is Mayor Adelbert P. Knapp of Saratoga, who, with other members of the Grand Commandery, is planning to secure, if possible, the next convention for Saratoga. The officers of the New York Grand Commandery are as follows:

Sir Charles D. Bingham, grand commander; Sir John H. Bonnington, deputy grand commander; Sir William F. Elmendorf, grand generalissimo; Sir Adelbert P. Knapp, grand captain general; Sir G. Alfred Lawrence, grand senior warden; Sir Eugene S. Osborne, grand junior warden; Sir Dr. Henry T. Dana, grand prelate; Sir Harry H. Moore, grand treasurer; Sir Arthur MacArthur, grand recorder; Sir Edwin C. Hall, grand standard bearer; Sir Henry S. Mackie, grand sword bearer; Sir Herbert W. Greenland, grand warder; Sir Alden M. Jewett, grand captain of the guard.

Past Grand Commanders—R. E. Sir George McGown, R. E. Sir John H. Bonnington, R. E. Sir Arthur MacArthur, R. E. Evastus C. Delavan.

Among the other New Yorkers who accompanied the Grand Commandery were the following:

Sir Clarence L. Wells, commander, Apollo No. 15, Troy, N. Y.; Sir James H. Lloyd, past commander, Apollo No. 15, Troy, N. Y.; Sir Arthur W. T. Baek, commander, Malta No. 21, Binghamton; Sir A. S. Bump, past commander, Malta No. 21, Binghamton; Sir Hugh Allen Cameron, past commander, Malta No. 21, Binghamton; Sir Frederick W. Putnam, past commander, Malta No. 21, Binghamton; Sir George A. Lawrence, commander, Coeur de Leon No. 23, New York City; Sir T. M. Barber, past commander, Central City, Syracuse; Sir H. W. Greenland, past commander, Central City, Syracuse; Sir Oliver L. Dean, commander, St. Augustine No. 38, Ithaca; Sir Judson B. Todd, past commander, St. Augustine No. 38, Ithaca; Sir H. S. Mackie, past commander, Cyrene No. 39, Rochester, N. Y.; Sir G. L. Warren, past commander, Cortland No. 50, Cortland; Sir H. T. Dana, past commander, Cortland No. 50, Cortland; Sir A. M. Jewett, past commander, Cortland No. 50, Cortland.

Sir W. Frederick Elmendorf, past commander, Hugh de Payne No. 30, Buffalo, N. Y., grand representative of Arkansas; Sir E. S. Osborne, past commander, Apollo No. 15, Troy, N. Y., grand representative of Kentucky; Sir Joseph D. Craig, past commander, Temple No. 2, Albany, N. Y., grand representative of Montana; Sir George L. Warren, past commander Cortland No. 50, Cortland, N. Y., grand representative of Nebraska; Sir Theodore M. Barber, past commander, Central City No. 25, Syracuse, N. Y., grand representative of Tennessee; Sir Austin M. Bump, past commander, Malta No. 21, Binghamton, N. Y., of the committee on foreign correspondence.

Sir Arthur MacArthur, who is the publisher of the Troy Budget, and one of the most active men in the New York delegation, said last night that Saratoga would exert itself to the farthest possible point to secure the next conclave and, through Mayor Knapp, was prepared to offer the best inducements to the Knights.

California Souvenirs.

"Scenic Treasures of California," a beautiful souvenir book of California, for 75 cents; others for less and some for more. Orange, redwood and other good souvenir novelties at lowest prices. Sanborn, Vail & Co., 741 Market st. *

DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF CHICAGO COMMANDERIES WHO WILL BE PROMINENTLY IDENTIFIED WITH THE FUNCTIONS OF CONCLAVE WEEK.

Golden Gate Knights Attend Solemn Ceremony.

Encampment's Grand Prelate Preaches Sermon.

The officers of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States attended special religious services yesterday morning at the First Congregational Church. The members of the encampment were in full uniform and made an imposing sight as they filed into the edifice. On their march to the church they were escorted by Golden Gate Commandery No. 16, in full dress uniform, and as the officers of the encampment filed past the commandery stood at salute, facing the church. As the Knights of this splendid commandery stood in line, with the sunlight gleaming on their uplifted swords, they presented a truly military spectacle. After the officers of the Grand Encampment had entered the church sharp command was given and the Knights marched into the church, two abreast, and entered their respective pews.

Sir William H. Jordan, prelate of Golden Gate Commandery, conducted the beautiful and appropriate special service, while the Rev. George C. Adams, pastor of the church, officiated during part of the service.

The sermon was delivered by Sir Daniel C. Roberts, D. D., grand prelate of the Grand Encampment, who dwelt on the service the idea of knighthood does for the young men of America. He also spoke of the value of time and opportunity and their use and abuse. In it all, he said, was the spirit of the Redeemer warming the breasts of Knights of modern times as He did those of the Knights of old.

At the conclusion of the service the Knights filed out of the church, formed and countermarched on Post street to Market, where they disbanded.

CALIFORNIA AT PAVILION.

California Commandery No. 1 will entertain throughout the week at Mechanics' Pavilion. Its programme, which was completed last evening, contains the names of some of the city's most prominent professional and amateur talent.

Those who have charge of the entertainment and musical programme are: Sir Richard L. Radke, chairman entertainment committee; Sir Alfred A. Batkin, chairman music committee; Mrs. D. E. F. Easton, chairman ladies' entertainment committee.

The following artists will take part in the performance:

Mrs. Wallace Wheaton Briggs, Sir Knight L. A. Larsen, Mrs. Eugenie Barker-Mills, Madame Caro Roma, Leo Bruck, California Commandery Choir, Chinese children, Mrs. W. B. Wheeler, Miss Lulu Purlenky, Miss and Master Roeckel, Boys' Masonic Home Band, Miss Charlotte Mitchell, Mrs. Richmond E. Revalk, Sir Knight D. M. Lawrence, Mrs. R. L. Partington, Mrs. R. E. Revalk, Mrs. Frank Onslow, Mrs. Hall; Herr Paul Steindorff, accompanist.

The programme for to-day will be as follows:

AFTERNOON.

"O, Luce di Wuest' Anima" (Donizetti).....Mrs. Wallace Wheaton-Briggs
Prologue to "Pagliacci" (Leoncavallo).....Sir Knight L. A. Larsen
Aria, "La Reine de Saba" (Gounod).....Mrs. Eugenie Barker-Mills
"Segnai" (Schira).....Madame Caro Roma

EVENING.

Selection.....Orchestra (Under direction of Leo Bruck.)
Sextette from "Lucia," California Commandery Choir, Sir Knight A. A. Batkin organist and director—Sir Knights D. M. Lawrence, C. T. Wendell, R. W. Smith, E. Boysen, L. A. Larsen, Alex Mennie.
Chinese specialties, by Chinese children, Mrs. Wheeler conducting.
Soprano solo, "Let Me Love Thee (Arditti).....Miss Lulu Purlenky
Operatic selections..Maria and Mario Roeckel
"California" (written for the occasion by Sir Knight A. A. Batkin), California Commandery Choir.
Selection.....Boys' Masonic Home Band
Two duets—(a) "My Flag" (Roeckel), (b) "Trust Her Not" (Balte), Maria and Mario Roeckel.

Visit Lick Observatory.

SAN JOSE, Sept. 4.—Pilgrim Commandery No. 11 of Harrisburg, Pa., and Corinthian Chasseur Commandery No. 53 of Philadelphia, Pa., arrived in San Jose this morning at 8 o'clock. The majority of the 180 in the party left at once by stage for Mount Hamilton and the others spent the day riding about the city and suburbs. There were many ladies in the party. A local reception committee met the commandery at the depot. Those that went to Mount Hamilton will return at midnight, and the train will leave at 5 o'clock to-morrow morning for San Francisco.

Chicago's Delegation Adds to City's Throngs.

For the last two days commanderies from Chicago have been arriving in the city and adding their numbers to the great throng already within the city's gates.

The Grand Commandery of Illinois, that had for its escort Apollo Commandery No. 1 of Chicago, is quartered at the Palace Hotel. In the party are several Knights whose standing in the Templar body is very high. Accompanying St. Bernard Commandery was the Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master of Knights Templar George M. Moulton, who is the second highest officer of the Grand Encampment in this city.

Sir Knight A. St. Clair Wilderman is grand commander of the Grand Commandery of Illinois, while Sir Knight George E. Ohara is the deputy grand commander. Sir Knight Smyth Crooks, the grand junior warden, has a record in the Templar order that any one might be proud of. He has been twelve years in Masonry and has risen through the various grades in Apollo Lodge and joint organizations and is an honorary member of several other commanderies. The grand standard bearer, John D. Cleveland, passed through the grades of the Evanston Commandery and has served in the Grand Commandery as grand warden in 1902 and grand sword bearer in 1903. The grand captain, General Albert Frederick Schoch has been in Masonry since 1883 and after service in Illinois organizations, including the post of past grand commander, has reached his present eminent place.

Apollo Commandery No. 1 of Chicago is one of the oldest in the Middle West. It has had jurisdiction over that territory and has assisted at the forming of several Grand Commanderies. Its charter members were among the leading citizens of Chicago and numbers Judges, merchants and statesmen.

ENJOYED UNUSUAL POWER.

Apollo Commandery owed no allegiance to any body except the General Grand Encampment and had at one time powers such as no other commandery of Knights Templar now possesses. It has taken a leading part in all the Triennial Conclaves during the last sixty years. Its membership is over 800 and a good share of them came to the present Conclave.

The following is a list of the officers: Grand commander, James F. Rowins; generalissimo, Urbine T. Hermann; captain general, Frederick Watson Mowr; senior warden, Nelson N. Lampert; junior warden, Aaron G. Diens, and prelate, Everett L. Haynes.

The commandery will hold a reception at 1230 Pine street on Wednesday night and the officers of the Grand Encampment and Knights of other commanderies are invited. On Thursday evening the Apollo pilgrims will start for home by way of the Union Pacific and will visit many places of interest on the journey.

With the arrival of St. Bernard Commandery No. 35 of Chicago, comes one of the best organized drill corps that will be entered by Grand Commander Hiram L. Wiltse in the competitive drill at Golden Gate Park next Wednesday. At many of the past Triennial Conclaves the St. Bernard drill corps has carried off the first prizes. The prizes to be contested for are the most elaborate ever offered at a Templar encampment, the total value being about $20,000. The trophies are all of California make and will be typical in every way of the Bear State, its resources and industries.

COLORS FOR DRILL CORPS.

In addition to the prizes, each commandery that sends a drill corps to Golden Gate country will receive a beautiful stand of colors, consisting of a silk beauseant and the American flag. Each member of the corps winning first honors will be presented by the beautiful sponsors of the California commanderies with an elegant gold medal, significant of champions.

St. Bernard Commandery acted as escort of honor from Chicago to San Francisco to Very Eminent Sir George Mayhew Moulton, deputy grand master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States.

The following Sir Knights of St. Bernard Commandery will compose the formation for the national contest:

Eminent Sir Frank C. Roundy, commandant; Eminent Sir John W. Swatek, first lieutenant; Sir C. B. Plattenberg, second lieutenant; Sir George Weidig, first sergeant; Sir Emil A. Dorner, second sergeant; Eminent Sir Harris W. Huehl, Sir C. B. Ford, Sir Berkeley Brandt, Eminent Sir R. L. Leonard, Sir H. D. Moreland, Sir C. A. Haas, Sir W. J. Weinsheimer, Sir J. A. Pettitt, Sir Charles A. Lott, Sir George A. Eddy, Sir A. C. Maul, Eminent Sir Hiram L. Wiltse, Sir A. W. Rathbun, Sir J. A. Guilford, Sir W. H. Dellenback, Eminent Sir T. L. Miller, Sir H. D. Hinckley, Sir E. Bornhoft, Sir F. H. Barringer, Sir Joseph Butcher, Sir R. J. Hercock, Sir S. D. Simpson, Eminent Sir Wallace Blanchard, Sir Joseph La Rue, Sir O. W. Gill, Sir M. Chapman, Sir C. C. Crabb, Sir George Schmidt, Sir O. A. Rice and Sir C. A. Loomis.

St. Bernard Commandery will tour Southern California and conclude the pilgrimage by visiting the St. Louis exposition, arriving at Chicago Monday, September 19.

ARRIVE ON STEAMSHIP.

A large delegation of Knights Templar from the State of Washington arrived here yesterday on the steamship Spokane. With their wives and families they numbered 181 and within half an hour after the steamer tied up at Broadway dock the crowd that had thronged the Spokane's decks mingled with the multitude that like a tide swept the water front and lost their identity. The Spokane was exclusively a Knight Templar ship for this trip. She carried no second class or steerage passengers. On account of the large number of the Knights and in view of the fact that the regular traffic is very heavy just now the Spokane made a special trip for the benefit of those attending the Conclave. Fine weather was encountered all the way down the coast.

Other commanderies that arrived yesterday were:

Grand Commandery of New York, Princeton, with Apollo No. 15 of New York, headquarters, Berkshire; Montjoie No. 53, Chicago, Ill., Sophronia; Portland No. 2, Portland, Me., Russ; Trinity No. 1, Manchester, N. H., Phillips; Cairo No. 13, Cairo, Ill., Atlanta; Calvary No. 13, with St. John No. 1, Providence, R. I., Edgmere; Springfield No. 6, Worcester No. 5, Worcester, Mass., Commercial; Kokomo No. 36, Frankfort No. 29, Frankfort, Ind., 1006 Haight street; Malta No. 21, Binghamton, N. Y., Angelus; Marietta No. 50, Marietta, Ohio, Stevenson; Peninsular No. 8, Kalamazoo, Mich., Regina; Pueblo Club No. 1, Pueblo, Colo., Grand and Stevenson; Tancred No. 48, Pittsburg, Pa., Lick, Colonial and Granada; Temple No. 4, Des Moines, Iowa, 930 Van Ness avenue; Trinity No. 32, Hudson, Mass., Oaks, with Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island; Washington No. 1, Hartford, Conn., Pleasanton; De Molay No. 7, Boston, Mass., St. Nicholas.

Corinthian Chasseur Commandery No. 53 of Philadelphia, Pa., is due to arrive here early on Monday morning, with over 100 persons and is headed by an old Californian, Richard Torpin, who is still proud of his California affiliation though for many years a resident of philadelphia. The commandery has secured headquarters at the Hotel Franklin and will remain here until Thursday evening next.

EXHIBIT AT THE LICK.

An exhibit of exceptional merit will be made during conclave week by Pacific Commandery No. 3 of Sonora. While it will astonish most of the Eastern visitors, it will be a revelation to the majority of Californians who know little, if anything, of the vast wealth and the inexhaustible resources of Tuolumne County. Pacific Commandery has secured the old and once famous dining-room of the Lick House, where the exhibits will be installed and the Sir Knights and ladies of Sonora will keep open house, entertaining in the cordial and open-hearted style of the Californian mountaineers. The commandery arrived in this city yesterday afternoon. A committee of ladies has been appointed to entertain at the headquarters while the Sir Knights are occupied with other duties.

The following commanderies are due to-day:

Allen No. 20, Allentown, Pa., 9:50 a. m., ferry, Palmetto; Boston No. 2, Boston, Mass., 1 p. m., Third street, St. Francis; Chicago No. 19, Chicago, Ill., 2 p. m., Third street, Cecil; Central City No. 25, Central City, N. Y., 10:25 a. m., ferry, Metropolitan; Cyrene No. 19, Birmingham, Ala., 11:20 a. m., ferry, McAllister, Coeur de Leon No. 34, Boston, Mass., 8 a. m., ferry, Nordhoff; Corinthian Chasseur No. 53; Pennsylvania, 7 a. m., Third street, Franklin; Coeur de Leon No. 17, Scranton, Pa., 8:50 a. m., ferry, Argyle; Melita No. 68, Pennsylvania; Baldwin Nos. 11, 22, Pennsylvania; Denver Club, Colorado, morning steamer, Clay street, Manhattan; El Monte, with Utah K. T., Utah, 8 a. m., ferry, Atlanta; Grand Commandery of Florida, Florida, 8:30 a. m., ferry, Grand and Fremont; Kadesh No. 29, Philadelphia, 7 a. m., Third street, San Marco; Kansas City No. 10, Kansas City, Mo., 7:45 a. m., ferry, Geary; Mary No. 36, Pennsylvania, 8:30 a. m., ferry, San Marco; Mount Vernon No. 73, Hazleton, Pa., 8:30 a. m., ferry, Palmetto; Grand Commandery of Minnesota, Minnesota, 10 a. m., ferry, Palace; Melita No. 8, Oregon, 8:30 a. m., ferry, 1006 Haight street; Sir Knights of New Jersey, 6 a. m., Third street, Grand and Dufferin; Oregon No. 1, Portland, Or., 8 a. m., ferry, Lick, Palace and Graystone; Ottawa No. 10, with Grand Commandery of Illinois, Illinois, 2 a. m., ferry, Hatton; Hammond No. 41, Indiana, 2 a. m., ferry, 230 Powell street; Oswego, No. 7, Kansas, 9 a. m., ferry, 230 Geary street; Pilgrim No. 11, Harrisburg, Pa., 1 p. m., Third street, Russ; Reading No. 42, Reading, Pa., 8:30 a. m., ferry, Auditorium; South Carolina No. 1, South Carolina, 7:30 a. m., Third street, Crocker; St. Aldemar No. 18, St. Louis, Mo., 5 p. m., Third street, St. Nicholas; Vermont, Frisco Club, Vermont, 11 a. m., ferry, Adams House; Ivanhoe No. 24, Milwaukee, Wis., 10 a. m., ferry, Holland; Marion No. 24, Lebanon, Ky., 7:30 a. m., ferry, Rochambeau; Grand Commandery of Nebraska, with Mount Cavalry No. 1, Omaha, Nebr., 6 a. m., ferry, Occidental.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS THAT WILL OCCUPY KNIGHTS TO-DAY

DAY.

Receiving the officers of the Great Priory of England and Wales and the dependencies of the British crown.
Reception by Golden Gate Commandery No. 16 at Golden Gate Hall.
Ladies' reception at headquarters of California Commandery No. 1 from 2 to 5 p. m., Mechanics' Pavilion.
Monday, September 5, is a legal holiday in California and is known as Labor day. The Labor day celebration consists of a parade in the morning; reunion of labor organizations, with literary exercises, afternoon and evening, at Shell Mound Park, Emeryville, near Berkeley. There will also be a celebration by San Francisco Labor Council at the Chutes, near Golden Gate Park, day and evening; fireworks during the evening.
Decoration of grave of Starr King at Unitarian church by De Molay Commandery of Boston, 8 p. m.

EVENING.

Performance by Chinese actors at the Grand Opera-house. 8:15 to 10:15.
Reception at the Palace Hotel, under the auspices of the ladies' committee.
The Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania and the Sir Knights of Pennsylvania will tender a reception to all Knights Templar and their ladies in the Marble and Maple rooms of the Palace Hotel, 8 until 10 o'clock.
Exhibition drill and band concert, Malta Commandery Drill Corps, Binghamton, N. Y., in front of the Palace Hotel, Market and New Montgomery streets.
General reception by California Commandery No. 1 and other commanderies in the Mechanics' Pavilion to Eastern visitors.
Reception by Oakland Commandery No. 11 at Native Sons' Hall, 414 Mason street.
Reception by Golden Gate Commandery No. 16 at Golden Gate Hall.
Open-air concert in Union square, Geary, Post, Stockton and Powell streets, from 8 to 11 o'clock.

Famous Apollo Lodge and Crack St. Bernard Drill Corps Are With the Templar Bodies From the Middle West.

Boats and Trains Bring in Their Quotas.

HAVE NARROW ESCAPE.

Several members of Trinity and Portland commanderies of Manchester, New Hampshire, which arrived in this city last night, narrowly escaped serious injuries on the famous seventeen mile drive in Monterey County yesterday afternoon. While members of the party were enjoying a ride the brakes on one of the carriages failed to work properly on a steep hill and the nine occupants and driver were thrown out. All were more or less injured. Dr. F. E. Brigham of Salmon Falls, N. H., received the worst injuries, being thrown heavily on his head and shoulders against a tree. Three ladies of the Portland Commandery miraculously escaped serious injury, being thrown among the frightened horses.

One of the wheel horses was killed outright and the other three were more or less battered in the accident. Dr. Brigham and the other injured persons were all able to come to this city on their special train.

Fire Destroys Valuable Stable.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Sept. 4.—Fire to-night destroyed the stables of Colegate Hoyt, on Center Island. The stables were said to be among the finest in the country and contained a number of valuable automobiles, together with many horses and carriages. Loss, $75,000.

Sir Knights and Visitors

Should not fail to see the beautiful decorations at Andrews' Diamond Palace, 221 Montgomery street. *

HONOR THE MEMORY OF M'KINLEY

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the thunderbolt, we fell upon the foe. Once more, thank God, once more the north and south stood shoulder to shoulder, under the one flag, while from the blue above, reunited in death, looked down General Grant and General Lee upon their countrymen, reunited forever. Who could prevail against them? Manila, El Caney, San Juan Hill, Santiago—and all was over. Our triumphant war of one hundred days liberated Cuba, extended the wide boundaries of freedom, astonished Europe, added to the glory of the American flag, enhanced the prestige of the American name, and associated forever the name of William McKinley with the expansion of the republic.

Who could foresee that his path of glory was so soon to lead but to the grave? Re-elected to the Presidency, enjoying the love and respect of a nation reunited by common dangers and triumphs in which they all had shared, surrounded by the people whom he served and who hung upon his words for aid and counsel, in the full maturity of his ripened powers, his country at peace, her ensign an oriflamme of liberty flooding the world with our glory—he fell and lay a precious victim upon the bloody altar of that accursed monster, anarchy.

Oh, great indeed was the national loss, great and sincere and poignant was the national grief. But the mighty pillars of the republic were unshaken. Law and order reigned and ruled, and the flag William McKinley followed and lifted floats in security and peace over the dome at Washington.

HE SERVED HUMANITY.

Engrossed with large affairs of public concern, the great man whose memory we treasure yet found time to serve humanity unseen of men, but not unobserved by heaven. President of the greatest republic that ever blessed the earth, he was a member of the greatest fraternal organization that ever existed or exists among men—the order whose emblem is the cross of Christ, whose hope is the crown of immortality—which was born before the dawn of history and has witnessed the rise and fall of dynasties, the birth and decay of nations—which wrought marble into forms of beauty before ever the columns of the Pantheon were reared or Carthage rose to splendor—which lighted the sacred torch of science before Rome was founded and kept it burning throughout the dark medieval ages—which adorned the cities of the old world with masterpieces of architecture and whose genius reverently displayed itself in erecting temples to the living God; which flourished before Jerusalem had fallen, and later, marched and suffered and died to redeem the holy city and rescue the sepulcher of the Lord—the order which has joyfully followed the cross and on whose celestial banner flame the words "In Hoc Signo Vinces."

Unable to enhance by words his unblemished fame, we reverently bow low before God to do honor to the memory of William McKinley.