



MONTREAL, SEPT., 1860.

The visit of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales has delayed this issue beyond its usual time of publication; now, however, things being again more settled, we consider it our duty to return our sincere congratulations for this auspicious event, portending probably more for the future than we are yet aware. It is a matter of regret with the Craft generally that neither H. R. H. nor his father belong to the Order; since, had such been the case, the craft in general would have given him a truly Masonic welcome. During his stay here, our city has been one round of gaiety, while his frequent appearance in public must have afforded every one an excellent opportunity of seeing him. Of his appearance we need not speak, though his urbanity and kindness, inherited from his illustrious mother, will ever render him a universal favourite and call forcibly to our minds that most expressive prayer—*God Bless the Prince.*

We have received from Bro. J. B. Beardslee, Mount Vernon, Ohio, a masonic song called "A Song to the Craft." From the well-known abilities of the composer, those of the Brethren who purchase it, will find themselves amply repaid, both the music and words being excellent and truly masonic.

We publish below, at the request of numerous subscribers, the time and place of meeting of the various Lodges in this city:—

St. Paul's Lodge, No. 514, R. C., meets 2nd Tuesday of each month, from Nov. 1 to May 1, inclusive at the St. Lawrence Hall, Great St. James Street.

Elgin Lodge, R. E., No. 348, meets 1st Monday of each month, at the Masonic Chambers, 304 Notre Dame Street.

St. George's Lodge, R. E., No. 643, meets 3rd Tuesday of each month, at the Masonic Chambers, 304 Notre Dame Street.

St. Lawrence Lodge, R. E., No. 923, meets 1st Tuesday of every month, at the Masonic Chambers, 304 Notre Dame Street.

Antiquity Lodge, R. C., No. 00, meets 1st Thursday of every month, at the Masonic Hall, corner Place d'Armes and Notre Dame Street.

Zetland Lodge, R. C., No. 21 meets 2nd Thursday of each month, at the Masonic Hall, corner Place d'Armes and Notre Dame Street.

St. George's Lodge, R. C., No. 19, meets 3rd Thursday of each month, at the Masonic Hall, corner Place d'Armes and Notre Dame Street.

Kilwinning Lodge, under dispensation, G. L. C., meets 2nd Monday of each month, at the Bonaventure Building, Victoria Square.

St. George's Lodge, Mark Masters, R. E., No. 643, meets 2nd Thursday in months of March, September and December, at the Masonic Chambers, 304 Notre Dame Street.

St. Paul's Royal Arch Chapter, meets 3rd Thursday in the months of January, April, July and October, at the St. Lawrence Hall, Great St. James Street.

Victoria Royal Arch Chapter, R. E., No. 643, meets 4th Wednesday in February, May, August and November, in the Masonic Chambers, 304 Notre Dame Street.

We caution the craft to beware of the following impostors, who, though they have not yet probably reached our shores, nevertheless we may as well be on our guard:—

"J. E. Herrick," about 25 years of age, nearly 6 feet high, black hair, and one or two upper teeth gone, good look and unassuming in his manners. Professes to hail from Acadia Lodge, No. 126, Louisiana. No such person belongs to that Lodge.

"Robert Cochrane," hailing from Union Lodge, No. 2, Madison, Indiana. We believe there is a real brother by that name a member of that Lodge, but the real Robert Cochrane does not live nor travel in that way.

"A. H. French," a native of Rochester, N. H., who professes to belong to Blazing Star Lodge, he is not and has never been a member of Blazing Star Lodge.

We have taken the above from our exchanges, and are indeed happy to see, and will be ever most willing to aid in exposing any impositions like the above. We are ready at all times to publish any names which our exchanges may desire, provided they are accompanied with the same authority as those above mentioned.

The excellent Editor of the *Mirror and Keystone* has arrested, if not given a complete death-blow to "Adoptive Masonry," "Mason's Daughter," "Eastern Star," and "Androgynous Masonry," generally. It is but a short time ago that we read of a new degree to be called the 34th, which, however, thanks to the energy of the craft, suffered the same fate as many others of like import. For our part we find that to study and appreciate the science of masonry, as far as the R. A. or 7th degree, a vast amount of time, no small degree of mental labour and determined perseverance are absolute requisites. Many thanks for the exposure, Bro. Hyneman, and we shall be on the look out for it.

We would specially call the attention of the Brethren to a work shortly going to press, and of incalculable advantage to the craft, viz.:—*The World's Masonic Register*; it will contain a complete list of all the Masonic Lodges in the world, together with the names, numbers and time of meeting, and also the name and address of the Master and Secretary of each lodge in the United States and Canada.

We sincerely trust Bro. Hyneman will not be at any pecuniary loss by the transaction, and that it will not only find a place in every lodge, but also in the libraries of the members themselves.

Bro. Hill, at No. 2 Place D'Armes, has been appointed agent here, where he will be happy to receive subscriptions.

## ADDITIONAL EXCHANGES RECEIVED.

Sunday Courier, Louisville, Ky.

Mirror and Keystone, Philadelphia.

The Ashlar, Chicago, Ill.

Freemason's Monthly Magazine, Boston.

French American Advertiser, New York.

The Crystal, Portland and Coateville.

The oldest lodge on this continent is the Alcion Lodge, No. 17 R. E. Quebec, and which is still in existence, though organized in 1721.

In reply to many of the assertions so frequently made against the antiquity of our order we cannot do better than call the attention of those making these assertions to the subjoined extract from the *Sunday Courier*:

"Of the Provincial Grand Lodge extracts the Committee cannot overlook that of Lanarkshire, and from the Lodge of St. John at Glasgow. During the year 1856, the Lodge met in St. Mark's Hall, Buchanan st., and celebrated their seven hundred and ninety-ninth anniversary, by the election and installation of its officers, and a supper, at which some 70 brothers participated. A pleasant and happy evening was spent; pledges of prosperity, toasts and presents enlivened the scene, and a speech from the Sub-Provincial Grand Master, Bro. Walker Arnott, tracing the history of Masonry, and proposing the prosperity of the Lodge of Glasgow, St. John. The feast closed by the effusive toast, 'Happy to meet, sorry to part, and happy to meet again.' What a glorious spectacle must this have been, and how confounding to the enemies of Masonry, who assert that the Order is of Modern origin, dating little over a century back, whilst here, without efforts, we have a record running back into the middle of the eleventh century, and extending as far back as the reign of Duncan, King of Scotland, Edward the confessor, of England, and Philip the First of France, some ten years before the Saxon government was overthrown by the Battle of Hastings, and the accession of William the Conqueror to the Crown of England. Whilst Macbeth was about usurping the throne, having put Duncan to death, and caused the flight of Malcolm, the rightful heir, into England, we find that in such times as these Masonry had a hold in this land, and whilst the conflict was raging without, the Order was flourishing, and in the ancient city of Glasgow this Lodge (St. John's) was instituted, and has kept the even tenor of its way through scenes which cluster and gather around the wild imagination whilst contemplating a subject fraught with so much interest to the antiquarian."

We clip the following from the *Brooklyn Standard*, and from a mistaken zeal by which the masters and members of Lodges are frequently misled, recommend it to their attention:—

## MAKING TOO MANY MASONS.

From all parts of the Union, indeed from all parts of the world, there seems to be a general feeling prevailing that too many Lodges are constituted, and that Lodges are making too many Masons, without proper discrimination. The following passage which we extract from the remarks of a foreign brother in the pages of a pamphlet, recently issued by the "Brooklyn Masonic Historical Society," is worthy of more than a passing thought, and Masters of Lodges should reflect upon it:

"In order to raise the requisite sums of money, charters are issued with a lavish hand, and the Subordinate Lodges, in order to bear the taxation, initiate men who should never cross the threshold