

Other matters of form, etc., would indicate that to require the petitioner to state further that he is a citizen of the United States, or words to that effect, would be in violation of the rule of the Grand Encampment. These provisions dispose of the question, and we are constrained to hold that as the law now is citizenship is not a pre-requisite to receiving the Orders of Knighthood.

The Ninth Annual Report on Correspondence from the pen of Sir Knight A. S. Wait is as able and interesting as his former productions. Canada at Montreal, 1897, comes in for kindly notice. Of the visit of our American Frates upon that occasion, he remarks:

Appended to the proceedings of the Great Priory is a very full and interesting account of the reception, and of the exercises of the occasion, which were in every way such as to do honor to our Frates of Canada, and to leave pleasant memories in the minds of the Sir Knights of Trinity and Lewiston Commanderies.

Sir Knight Wait gives some interesting remarks in his conclusion regarding the doctrine held in some jurisdictions that non-affiliation is to be treated as a Masonic Crime, but as the Grand Encampment has legislated on this, it may be as well to drop discussion and see what results the future has in store.

Membership, 2162 ; increase, 47.

Henry B. Quinby, Lakeport, Grand Commander.
George P. Cleaves, Concord, Grand Recorder.

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R. E. Sir Knight W. H. Sebring, Grand Commander, presided and reported his official actions.

The business of the session was local, and no legislation of outside importance was transacted to comment upon.

R. E. Sir Knight Peter McGill, who was elected Grand Commander at this session (we offer our hearty congratulation), presented his third report on Correspondence.