

where he lived many years. The stones which stood at the head and foot of the grave in the old cemetery will be cared for by the Grand Lodge, granite bases having been prepared for their reception. The monument is of hammered granite. The base is 4 feet square by 1 foot 3 inches high, and from this springs the shaft, a perfect cube, 3 feet 6 inches each way. The whole is surmounted by an apex rising straight 3 inches and then coming to a point in the form of a pyramid 1 foot further. The total height is 6 feet. On the face of the shaft in raised letters, upon a polished surface, is cut this inscription: "Henry Price, Founder of Duly Constituted Masonry in America." Upon the back, also finely polished, the inscription has been cut in sunken letters. It is taken from the ancient stone that has marked the last resting place of the remains of the venerable Mason for over a century, though in an abbreviated form. This inscription reads: "Born in London about 1697; removed to Boston about 1723; appointed Provincial Grand Master of New England in 1733, and the same year a cornet in the Governor's Guards with the rank of Major; removed to Townsend about 1863, and died there May 20th, 1780. His life was consistent with his duty as a Mason and a man."—*Boston Herald*, June 22nd.

#### THE MORAL STATUS OF MEMBERS.

Bro. E. C. Blackmar, Grand Master of Iowa, in a pamphlet recently issued deals with the above subject as follows, taking for his text:—"The habitual use of, and illegal traffic in, intoxicating liquors by members of the Craft." He says: "The drunkard-maker and his unfortunate victim have no business in a Masonic Lodge, or to be in any way connected with the institution. The former should be required to change his business or be expelled. Around the latter the broad mantle of Masonic charity should be thrown, and every possible exertion made to accomplish his reformation, bearing constantly in mind our solemn obligations, and keeping in view the fact that a successful effort in such a case will stand as a shining mark to the credit of the institution of Freemasonry, and of those through whom it is accomplished. Having exhausted every available method of reformation, the rigors of Masonic discipline should be applied, mildly at first, sternly as a last resort, to the end that the standard of Masonic

morality and virtue may be placed on the highest plane attainable, and the name of Masonry become the synonym of all that is good and pure."

#### THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE STATUE AT BRISTOL.

The foundation of the Queen's Statue provided by the citizens of Bristol, England, as a memorial of Her Majesty's Jubilee, was laid with masonic honors on June 1st. There was a brilliant gathering of members of the fraternity present, Deputy Provincial Grand Master, W. A. F. Powell, officiating. The statue was unveiled on June 28th, Coronation Day, by Prince Albert Victor. The figure, executed by Mr. J. E. Boehm, R.A., is of the purest white Sicilian statuary marble, 8½ feet high, with crown of marble on the head. The State robes are thrown back, showing the bodice crossed with the ribbon of the garter, this order, together with other decorations, appearing on the left shoulder, from which the folds of the outer robe fall. The front of the skirt of the under robe is enriched with beautiful and delicate carving, including the national floral emblems, this being an exact copy of the state robes worn by Her Majesty on great occasions during the jubilee year. On the evening of the 1st, the Provincial Grand Lodge of Bristol gave a banquet, which is described as "a most sumptuous affair."

The *Bristol Mercury* of June 2nd, in an editorial reference to the foundation-laying ceremony, said:—"It is in consonance with the mysterious secrecy of Freemasonry that a stringent regulation should prevent the unenlightened public from even gazing upon processions of the brethren, clothed with the insignia of the Order, except upon very rare occasions. The curiosity which all mankind inherit from their mother Eve has always been very much piqued by the fidelity to their obligations of the members of a world-wide Order, and the fact that, with the exception of one or two instances of doubtful historical value, even woman's wit has failed to pierce the veil, has led some to the disrespectful conclusion that in reality there is nothing to conceal. No Mason would contest with them this solution of the difficulty, for he is not in a position to suggest any alternative. The Order does not court public discussion in any way, and even keeps very much to itself the knowledge of the splendid benevolent