

Annual Conclave at Mont Eagle, in Marion county, on Wednesday, June 14, 1882. Present, Sir Knight Benjamin F. Haller, Grand Commander, and Representatives of fifteen Commanderies.

The Grand Commander, in adverting to the death of Past Grand Commander George Stodart Blackie (a name well known in the world of science), speaks of him thus:—

"Past Grand Commander George Stodart Blackie was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, April 10, 1834, and therefore was about forty-seven years old at the time of his death. He graduated with the highest honors at the University of Edinburgh in 1855, and received the Faculty's medal for the highest standing. In 1856, with the reputation of one of the brightest minds of the age, he came to America, and located in the city of Nashville, and was chosen Professor in the University of Nashville. He was made a Mason in Edinburgh, and Knighted in the same city April the 6th, 1857. In 1871, he was elected Grand Commander of Tennessee, which office he filled with great credit to the Order of Knighthood. As a writer he was especially gifted, his contributions to Masonic literature having made his name familiar to the Fraternity throughout the world. He was an accomplished scholar, pure-minded, honest, and a true Mason."

The Grand Recorder, Sir Knight Morton B. Howell presented an exhaustive Report on Foreign Correspondence.

Canada, for 1881, receives fraternal notice. It is said:—

"The Great Prior, M. E. Sir Knight W. J. B. MacLeod Moore, read an address characteristic of that distinguished and learned Templar, which, to be properly appreciated, should be read as a whole."

The Address is extracted from at some length, but without comment.

The Fratres of Tennessee are told that—

"Sir Knight G. H. F. Dartnell, Chairman, explained that the finances of the Great Priory having been restored to a healthy condition by Sir Knight Daniel Spry, Grand Chancellor, he was enabled to renew 'the usual exchange of Templar courtesies which are embodied in these Reports.'

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