

the degrees should be paid to the Lodge conferring them before they are given. I notice also that persons who are so unfortunate as to be physically disqualified have received the degrees of Masonry in this Jurisdiction in violation of Sec. 22 of by-laws of subordinate Lodges. Brethren, surely the obligations of an installed Master should not be so soon forgotten, nor should Worshipful Masters be so ignorant of the well established rules, practices and ancient landmarks of Masonry as to allow such innovations. Our institution is for men morally and physically upright, and only as we live by that rule can we prosper.

We have been requested by the Methodist people of Margate to lay the foundation stone of a church at that place on the 27th inst. Arrangements have been made for a special communication of Grand Lodge to be held at the Masonic Hall, Kensington, on Monday, the 27th inst., for that purpose. I hope this may be approved by you.

And now brethren you have a review of the past year. I hope that what I have said and done meets with your approval. I am sorry that I was not able to visit all the Lodges, but I am glad to know that they are all doing fairly good work.

I thank you for the great honor you conferred on me by electing me to this high office, and if I can lay down my gavel, feeling that I have wounded no heart nor given pain to any one, and have been privileged in any way to help some brother over a rough and difficult place, I shall be grateful.

And now may the Great Architect of the universe, our Ever Present Helper, guide us in all our deliberations and may the cement of brotherly love be so spread among us that we shall all seek each other's good and our conclusions conduce to the best interests of the craft.

Fraternally submitted,

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