

any public calamity gives us cause for gratefulness to the Giver of all good.

We regret that our Anglo-Saxon Brethren of the United States are in the throes of war with Spain, one of the few nations who place any ban upon masonry. We trust that the conflict will soon end and humanity be blest by the result.

NECROLOGY

While we rejoice in meeting together in this our annual gathering, we find our hearts touched with sorrow when we remember those who have gone from our ranks into the great Unknown. While none of the members from our own Grand Lodge have been called, some from our Subordinate Lodges have exchanged worlds. Bro. Jarvis, of King Hiram; Bros. Beairsto and Montgomery of Mount Lebanon; Bro. Pickering of Mount Zion, have gone to their eternal rest.

Our Sister Grand Lodges report the following deaths:--

ARKANSAS—Bro. James M. Harky, M. W. Past Grand Master, died Sept. 28th, 1897.

LOUISIANA—M. W. Past Grand Master, Bro. John Quincy Adams Fellows, died Nov. 28th, 1897.

VIRGINIA—M. W. Past Grand Master, Bro. W. B. Caliaferro, died Feb. 28th, 1898.

IDAHO—R. W. Bro. Charles C. Stevenson, died Feb. 28th, 1898.

MICHIGAN—M. W. Bro. Daniel Striker, Past Grand Master, died April 12th, 1898.

NORTH DAKOTA—M. W. Past Grand Master, W. H. Best, died May 3rd, 1898.

CALIFORNIA—Bro. N. G. Curtis, M. W. Past Grand Maser, died July 12th, 1897.

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