

In a large jurisdiction like New York the death roll is always a heavy one, and full and loving tribute is paid to those who have gone before.

\$1000 was voted towards the expenses of the Grand officers at the Pittsburg Triennial.

Report on uniform was held over until next annual Conclave.

The report on Correspondence, embracing 43 Grand Jurisdictions, was presented by the Chairman, Sir Knight Jesse B. Anthony, and covers 130 pages. He hopes to see the time when continuous membership in Lodge and Chapter will be required to the maintenance of Templar standing. As this doctrine or dogma is American and not British, we merely look on while our American fratres thrash it out among themselves.

Referring to Turkish and Armenian affairs, he says:

We do not ourselves believe that the Templar or Masonic Grand Bodies should take action upon matters which properly belong to the body politic and which should emanate from us in the character of citizens.

Sir Knight Anthony does not believe in the harsh measures adopted in some jurisdictions regarding non-affiliates and rightly says any fiat which destroys a Templar's Masonic life, without trial, is "an outrageous law and contrary to the principles of Masonry, and will result in its own correction by a demand for repeal in self protection."

Canada for 1896 has fraternal notice; and a number of quotations approvingly made from the Grand Master's address.

Some very interesting tables of Knights Templar statistics are given as well as a comparison table and the membership of the Masonic grades: from which the relative membership in the three great branches are shown as follows:

The proportions of Knights Templar to Master Masons in the United States is in the ratio of 122,835 to 768,689; equal to 1 to 6.27.