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The writer's last report was that of 1879. It has been noticed that it was inserted in our proceedings without a signature. The fact is that the sheets went through the press without his revision, and several annoying misprints thus crept in. In addition, the concluding pages and signature were omitted, the "tailless" report going forth without them.

Your Chairman had the privilege of attending the Triennial at Chicago. What was done there has been set forth in the preceding pages in more fitting language than can flow from his pen. In the hurry and crowd he failed to make the acquaintance of many of those whose names and thoughts have alike become familiar to him. For many acts of personal kindness he has to express his thanks, and in particular to those Sir Knights from Rochester, Baltimore, Detroit, Kentucky and California, he feels deeply indebted for the Knightly courtesy and consideration shown to him and his friends.

It will be seen by the proceedings of the Great Priory that the undersigned was appointed chairman of a committee to draft an address to His Excellency the President of the United States, Sir Knight James Abram Garfield.

This address is appended hereto, and, in view of the deplorable event, possesses a sad significance. The writer penned it with a sad and heavy heart, hoping against hope. It has been deemed proper by Grand Officers that it should appear as an appendix to this Report.

An event so full of moment to the Great Republic as the death of their President, their "Uncrowned King," is not one to be lightly passed over; but it is, in an especial manner, befitting that the Templars of this and every other jurisdiction should join in the universal grief attending the