

BRO. A. F. A. WOODFORD announces that he has been successful in tracing the Willson MS., esteemed very valuable to Freemasons, and that he has obtained a transcript thereof, which he will publish in extenso in the April number of the London *Masonic Magazine*.

BRO. H. W. Rugg, Grand Commander of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, has taken editorial control of the *Freemasons' Repository*, published at Providence, R. I. His best efforts are promised to make this journal more interesting and useful than ever. It has always been a good Masonic periodical, and worthy of a very liberal support.

THE balance in the hands of the Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of England, Feb. 11th, 1876, was £4,375, 17s 4d.

JLL. BRO. JOHN SHEVILLE, 33°, late of New Jersey, now of Chicago, is delivering lectures on Masonic topics. Those who wish to be well entertained and instructed, will do well to engage him to address them.

COLUMBIA COMMANDERY, Washington, D. C., is famous for giving entertainments which are brilliant, tasteful and interesting. Its last *levee* is said to have surpassed all preceding ones. It was attended by distinguished Knights from nearly every State in the Union, and by a large number of the resident fraters.

BRO. L. M. PEASE, of Asheville, N. C., has presented the Masonic Orphan Asylum of that State with a deed for land and property in Asheville.

A MASONIC DINNER was recently given at Long Branch by Sir Knight Isaac B. Smith, to Daniel Carpenter Lodge, No. 643, A. F. and A. M., of New York city and Long Branch Lodge, No. 78, A. F. and A. M. The affair was characterized by great sociability and good humor.

RING.—On Wednesday evening, March 15th, Washington Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of New York city, celebrated its 76th anniversary. During the progress of the festival, Past Master Thomas Forsyth was presented a massive gold ring, as a testimonial of high appreciation by his Masonic friends.

VERY VALUABLE.—Part II. of the Early History and Transactions of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York, has just been issued by Messrs. D. Sickels & Co., of Bleecker street, New York city. It carries the record up to June 24th, 1789.

THE Kane Lodge Library, of New York, contains the first Masonic magazine published in England (1794 to 1798), in eleven volumes, complete, and the first Masonic magazine published in America (1811-12) in the city of Philadelphia.

At a stated communication of Americus Lodge, No. 535, A. F. and A. M., of New York city, March 11th, during refreshment, Bro. Wm. H. Wharton, J. W., gave a recitation of a parody on "Barbara Fritche," and Bro. W. P. Hodson, S. W., gave a reading which portrays a touching incident of the Crimean war.

The Grand Lodge A. F. and A. M., of Mississippi at its last communication, appointed a committee to digest and mature a plan for the organization and maintenance of a Masons' Widows' and Orphans' Home and Industrial School.

The Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company have tendered to the Knights Templars of the United States and Canada the use of Ridley Park at Philadelphia for encampment grounds on May 30, 31 and June 1st, free of charge. The following announcement is made respecting the grand re-union: The route of parade on June 1 has been changed from that at first intended, and will be as follows: The line will form on Broad street with the right resting on Chestnut, and march down Chestnut to Fifth, up Fifth to Market, up Market to Thirteenth, up Thirteenth to Arch, up Arch to Broad, up the east side of Broad to Columbia Avenue, countermarching down Broad to the Masonic Temple at Broad and Filbert streets, where the line will be dismissed.

By this route the line will pass the headquarters of nearly all the Commanderies of Philadelphia, which, so far as we are advised, will be as follows: The headquarters of Philadelphia Commandery No. 2, will be at Horticultural Hall, Broad, below Walnut, where will also be the headquarters of the R. Em. Grand Commander of Pennsylvania, Sir Charles H. Kingston; the headquarters of St. John's Commandery, No. 4, will be at St. George's Hall, corner of Thirteenth and Arch, which will also be the headquarters of the Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States, Sir James H. Hopkins; the headquarters of Kadosh Commandery, No. 29, will be at the Armory, corner Broad and Race; the headquarters of Mary Commandery, No. 36 will be at the hall of the Academy of Fine Arts, Broad and Cherry; the headquarters of St. Alban Commandery, No. 47, will be at the Hall, corner Broad and Spring Garden; and those of Corinthian Chasseur Commandery, No. 53, at the Colonnade Hotel, Fifteenth streets.