

capacity you will be able to tell our English Brethren that, although we decided to rule ourselves as Freemasons, we shall never forget the Grand Parent Lodge from which we derived our Masonic birth, and will always have happy recollections of the time we worked under the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland and Ireland. I trust, at the same time, you will be able to convey to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, whose Representative you have been for a number of years, the thorough feeling of loyalty which permeates the breast of every member of the Craft in this distant land.

We understand that the membership of the 184 Lodges owing obedience to the Grand Lodge of New South Wales is about twelve thousand.

M. W. BRO. THE EARL OF JERSEY,
Grand Master.

R. W. BRO. ARTHUR H. BRAY,
Grand Secretary.

NORTH CAROLINA.—1891.

THE Grand Lodge of North Carolina met in its one hundred and fourth Annual Communication, on the 13th, 14th and 15th January, 1891, at Raleigh.

Grand Master SAMUEL H. SMITH, who presided, delivered an exceedingly brief address, covering a little more than two pages. Yet, we regret to find recorded therein the death of several distinguished Masons of North Carolina, whom their Brethren mourn, here as well as there. Amongst the departed are the Grand Treasurer, Bro. W. E. Anderson; the Past Grand Secretary, Bro. John J. Christophers and the Rev. Bro. J. T. Harris, who had been newly appointed to the superintendency of the Oxford Orphan Asylum.

It is gratifying to learn from the Grand Master's address that perfect uniformity in the work of his jurisdiction has been secured.

The report of the Oxford Orphan Asylum, which is managed by a Board of Directors elected by Grand Lodge, shows the number of inmates to be 210, but they do not all appear to be the orphans of Masons.