

was one who helped to organize the Grand Lodge of the Indian Territory." The following Grand Officers were elected: G. McPherson, Grand Master; R. J. Hogue, D. G. M.; E. H. Wolverton, G. S. W.; J. McD. Coody, G. J. W.; G. W. Stidham, G. Treas.; R. P. Jones, G. Sec.; C. M. Slover, G. Orator; J. S. Murrow, G. Lecturer.

MASONIC CHIT-CHAT.

THE new Masonic Temple in Norfolk, Virginia, is to be completed in Nov. next.

THE Masonic Hall in course of erection at Reynoldsville, Pennsylvania, was destroyed by fire on the 28th of August. The calamity falls heavily on the brethren of that place.

THE New York *Square* infers from the character of the last meeting of the Grand Lodge of Canada, that Masonry in this jurisdiction is in a highly encouraging condition.

ELEVEN members of the Supreme Council for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States have died since the last annual session.

THE *Voice of Masonry* says: "It is an astonishing and not a flattering fact, that of the 600,000 members of the Craft in the United States of America, not a hundred thousand have an interest to fully know the history of the Order to which they belong."

A Worshipful Master in Tennessee, writing of his Lodge, says: "If any member of this Lodge *drinks or swears*, I am ignorant of it. All dues to the Lodge are paid in advance, and not a single instance of failure to collect has been reported by the stewards since the organization of the Lodge." Need we add that the Lodge is very prosperous, works exceedingly well, and is one of the liveliest and best Lodges in the State.

THE Grand Lodge of Nevada has decided, wisely: "that the Tyler always has the right to vote if he is a member of the Lodge; a stranger has no right to demand an examination when the Lodge is at labor, but should apply before the Lodge convenes; a man who cannot write his name should not be made a Mason; the W. M. can remove an appointed officer at will."

ONE of the District Deputies of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina in his report to the Grand Body makes an earnest appeal in behalf of a Fellow-Craft, who has thus far progressed, despite the fact of being minus one leg. The Committee on Jurisprudence reported a decided negative on the proposition, and censured the Lodge for having initiated a person in that condition. The Grand Lodge approved as a matter of course.

THE oldest authentic Masonic portrait in the world—that of Bro. Sir Walter Hawksworth, Knight and Baronet, who was "President" of the Lodge of York, England, in A.D. 1713—one hundred and sixty-two years ago, now adorns the York Lodge.

THE house still exists at Stonegate, England—the Starr Inn—in which Francis Drake, M. D., F. R. S., a celebrated Antiquarian and Historian of York, was initiated, at a private Lodge, on September 6th, 1725, nearly one hundred and fifty years ago.

THE Grand Lodge of Dakota Territory, was duly constituted on the 21st July last, with the following principal Grand Officers: M. W. Bro. Thomas H. Brown, Grand Master; R. W. Bros. F. J. Dewitt, D. G. M.; C. G. Shaw, G. S. W.; H. H. Blair, G. J. W.; G. H. Hand, Grand Treasurer; Mark W. Bailey, Canton, Grand Secretary.

AT REST.

BRO. ANDREW JOHNSON, Ex-President of the United States, died on Saturday July 31st, and on Tuesday, Aug. 3rd, inst., was buried at Greenville, Tenn., with Masonic honors.

BRO. JOHN J. WHITE, a worthy member of Argus Lodge, No. 399, died at his residence, three miles east of Argus, Ind., on the 7th of July last, aged 49 years. He was buried with Masonic honors by his Lodge, a large number of visiting brethren being in attendance. Bro. White had been a Mason twenty-seven years, having taken the degrees at Shelbyville when twenty-two years old.

BRO. WINSLOW LEWIS, M. D., Past Grand Master of Masons of Massachusetts, died on the 3rd August. Bro. Lewis was distinguished in many walks of life. He was a skilled and successful physician, an authoritative medical author, a most valuable public-spirited citizen, a genial man, and an accomplished Mason. He was born in Boston, July 8th, 1799; was made a Mason in Columbia Lodge of that city on November 5th, 1830, and was Grand Master of Masons in Massachusetts during the years 1855 and 1860.