

In the Quarterly of September 12th, we have the report of the "Commissioners of Trials."

From this report we gather : That one Lewis A. Perkins, an unaffiliated Mason was charged with unmasonic conduct in seducing the daughter of a Master Mason, he knowing her to be such at the time of holding criminal intercourse with her. The Respondent was found guilty and sentenced by the Board to expulsion from the rights and privileges of masonry. The report was accepted and the finding confirmed by Grand Lodge.

DEDICATION OF THE ARMY AND NAVY MONUMENT ON BOSTON COMMON.

A Special Communication was held at Masonic Temple, Boston, September 17th, for the purpose of dedicating the Army and Navy Monument at the request of the City Government of Boston.

Grand Lodge was opened in ample form, when the M. W. Grand Master announced that Right Eminent Rev. Henry W. Rugg, Grand Commander of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, had courteously offered the Grand Commandery and Subordinates as escort to Grand Lodge, and Boston Commandery as body-guard for the Grand Master, and that he had accepted the offer. We here insert the following as showing the valuable aid rendered by the Sir Knights under very eminent frater Rugg's Command, and as indicating, in the opinion of the Grand Master of Massachusetts, the great importance attached to the presence of so distinguished a body of gentlemen on so important an occasion :

"The Grand Lodge, with its large Templar escort and Boston Commandery, numbering about 200 Knights as body-guard of the Grand Master, formed a brilliant and imposing part of the immense procession, which, by official count, numbered 25,429. The Grand Commandery and 14 of its subordinate Commanderies, forming the escort and body-guard of the Grand Lodge, numbered 1,293 Knights, with 13 bands, numbering 306 musicians,—making in all 1,599 men.

"The route of the procession was six miles in extent. The head of the column started at twenty minutes past eleven o'clock, A. M. The Grand Lodge arrived at the Monument at twenty minutes past five o'clock, P. M."

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION—The One Hundred and Forty-fourth Annual Communication was held at Masonic Temple, Boston, Dec. 12, A. D. 1877, M. W. Percival Lowell Everett, Grand Master, presiding.

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