

The General Grand Chapter held a session in the afternoon, which was attended by R. E. Comp. Henry Robertson, P. G. J., who was received with grand honors, and welcomed and introduced by the M. E. G. H. P. James M. Austin, in a few well chosen remarks, to which Comp. Robertson replied in an appropriate manner. While he was present, a most learned and interesting discussion took place, on some of the secret work of the R. A. Degree, which was participated in by Albert Pike, A. G. Mackey, and other distinguished brethren.

The same afternoon, the Canadian delegation was honored with a serenade, by the band of the Morton Commandery, No. 4, of New York, which was fittingly acknowledged by Eminent Frater Ramsay, and in the evening two other bands paid them alike compliment. The banquet to the Grand Encampment by the Grand Commandery of Maryland, took place also on Thursday evening, and numerous balls, concerts and other entertainments, provided a surfeit of amusements to the visitors.

On Friday, many of the Knights visited Washington, and held a grand parade on Pennsylvania avenue. About 3 000 were present, with 20 bands. The houses on the line of march were decorated with the stars and stripes, and emblematic flags of the Masonic order. On passing the Executive Mansion, the Knights were reviewed by Secretary Boutwell, Postmaster-General Cresswell, and Solicitor-General Bristow, in company with Generals Dent, Babcock, and Dunn. The Templars excited much favorable comment on their fine appearance and military movements. They dismissed at the Masonic Temple, where a banquet provided by the Washington Knights, was served, after which the rest of the day was spent in visiting the Capitol, the Smithsonian Institute, White House, Patent Office, Navy Yard, Agricultural Bureau, and various other places of interest. A ball took place in the evening, at the Masonic Temple, which was attended by the Canadian Delegates in costume, but only for a short time, as they were obliged to leave by the night train for New York.

During the sessions of the Grand Encampment the following items of business, among others were transacted. The Grand Master of the Templars in England, Most Eminent Sir Knight William Stuart, was elected an honorary member of the Grand Encampment, with the rank and title of Past Grand Master. A committee was appointed, to negotiate treaties of amity with the Governing Bodies of Templars in England, Scotland, and Ireland. This committee is composed of the following Eminent Sir Knights: William S. Gardner, of Massachusetts; John W. Simons, of New York; and George S. Blackie, of Tennessee, and in such good hands, we are sure the work will prosper. No change was made in the uniform of the Knights Templar, nor was the adoption of a special drill carried. A tax of five cents per capita, on the membership of the different Grand Commanderies, was levied. The Grand Commandery of Virginia was not allowed to withdraw from the Grand Encampment, but was recognized as holding authority over the commanderies in West Virginia.

The officers elected are as follows:—

J. Q. A. Fellows, New Orleans,	M. E. Grand Master.
James H. Hopkins, Pittsburgh,	R. E. Deputy Grand Master.
Vincent L. Hurlbut, Chicago,	V. E. Grand Generalissimo.
Benjamin Dean, Boston,	V. E. Grand Captain General.
Irving M. Smith, East Saginaw,	V. E. Senior Warden.
William G. Patton, Meridian,	V. E. Junior Grand Warden.