

Utah has fallen into procession with the other Grand Lodges that issue Jewels to their Grand Representatives in other Jurisdictions, and an illustration of the new Grand Lodge jewel appears in the proceedings before us. Its origin and design is thus described by the Grand Secretary :—

“At the Nineteenth Annual Communication, a Committee consisting of Bros. Scott, Diehl and Van Horne was appointed to procure Jewels for our Grand Representatives near Sister Grand Lodges. The Grand Lodge voted that the Jewels should be made of Utah silver, and appropriated one hundred and fifty dollars for the purpose. For various reasons it took the Committee two years to comply with the instruction of the Grand Lodge. At last the Jewels have come and are here for your inspection. But they are not made of silver, because silver, even ‘pure Utah silver’ is not appropriate for a Grand Lodge Jewel. In this instance the Grand Lodge was a little too much for home product. Gold, the most valuable metal, and purple, the cardinal color, for a Grand Lodge; silver and blue for a constituent Lodge. This, the cause of the change, which had been approved by the M.W. Grand Master Van Horne.

The design of the Jewel speaks for itself. It represents Utah’s greatest phenomenon, the Great Salt Lake embellished with Masonic emblems. Black Rock displaying the square and compass; on the right the pillar ‘to establish;’ on the left the pillar of strength; the waves of the water, bearing the motto *Semper Fidelis*, breaking on the Masonic pavement; in the distance the Islands, and over all the sun setting in the West. It is a beautiful picture. The Jewel will be admired hundreds of years hence. Besides being a home scene it will reveal to our Grand Representatives the story of Utah Freemasonry. For centuries the salty waves have dashed against Black Rock, and they will dash against it for centuries to come, but firm and solid has it stood, and so will it stand until the great luminary ceases to shine, and this globe of our’s becomes again a cold, lifeless body without form and void. So and until then will Utah’s Freemasonry stand firm, it will uphold its principles, it will practice its teachings; it will be ‘always faithful.’”

What a swell our good R. W. Bro. S. P. Franchot will be when he appears in Grand Lodge, wearing this beautiful jewel upon his breast! It could not be worn by a worthier Brother.

Bro. Diehl favors us with another of his very readable Reports of Foreign Correspondence, in which Quebec for 1891 has kind and flattering notice.

After giving at some length a synopsis of the contents of M. W. Bro. I. H. Stearns’ address, he deals with other portions of our proceedings as follows :—