

The Grand Lodge of Texas has declared that the use of the word "Masonic" for business purposes, or to further private enterprise, is forbidden.

The corner-stone of a magnificent Masonic Temple, to be erected at Denver, Colorado, was laid on the 8th of April. When completed it will be one of the finest temples in this country.

Bro. R. McMillan, of Minneapolis, a former Canadian, has secured the contract to build the Masonic Temple in Duluth. The job is a very large one, and will take upwards of two years to build.

It is probable that Bro. Wilson of the Sov. Sanc. Royal Masonic Rite U.S.A., will soon visit England, Scotland, France, and possibly Ireland, in the interest of the Royal Masonic Rite and other organizations with which he is connected.

W. Bro. Adolphus Andreas was initiated in German Union Lodge in 1819, and will celebrate his 70th Masonic anniversary on June 4th next, the annual session of the Grand Lodge of Maine. Bro. Andreas also enjoys the distinction of having been created a K.T. in company with General LaFayette in 1824, and is therefore the oldest Knight Templar in the U.S.

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The Guernsey and Alderney Lodges, which are at present independent, will probably be united to Jersey, and so form a Provincial Grand Lodge of the Channel Islands.

The Grand Lodge of England held its Annual Grand Communication on April 24th ult., Bro. Major Goldie Taubman, Provincial Grand Master of the Isle of Man, presiding. Bro. the Prince of Wales was proclaimed Grand Master.

The last Grand Lodge Calendar shows that in Africa (including St. Helena, West Coast, etc.), there are 44 lodges under the Grand Lodge of England not under any D.G.M.; 9 in the Western Division of the Cape Colony; 13 in

Natal; and 26 in the Eastern Division of the Cape.—*South African Freemason.*

Bro. Sir Charles Warren, ex-commissioner of the London Police, and first W.M. of the Lodge of Quatuor Coronati has been appointed Commandant at Singapore. His removal from active participation in the work of the lodge must be regretted by all who have its welfare at heart.—*London Freemason.*

In his capacity of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales, &c, the Prince of Wales has issued orders that all Mark Lodges meeting during the next twelve months, and all Mark Masons attending them, shall wear mourning, as a mark of respect to the late Bro. the Rev. G. R. Portal, Past Grand Mark Mason.

A deputation from the Grand Lodge of Scotland, headed by Sir Archibald Campbell, of Blythswood, Bart., M. P. Grand Master of Scotland, met in the lodge room of Lodge St. John, No. 16, for the installation of Bro. Michael Hugh Shaw Stewart, of Carnock, M.P., as Provincial Grand Master of Stirlingshire, in succession to the late Earl of Mar and Kellie.

The difficulties and trial of an editor's position are aptly set forth in the New Zealand *Masonic Journal* for March, where that unhappy functionary has brought down upon himself the wrath of five brethren, officers of a certain lodge, who were present at one of the installations, but whose names were omitted from the *Journal's* report. These brethren have it in their mind to mark their sense of the irreparable wrong they have suffered by withdrawing their subscriptions. Verily, an editor's lot is not a happy one.

It may not be generally known to professional Freemasons that Herr Unthan, the marvellous performer who was born without arms, is one of the craft. At the Paragan, last Saturday week, Bros. Barwick and Eaton put him to the test, and not only did he prove himself a proficient Craftsman,