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## *Foreign Items.*

### GERMANY.

The Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of Germany, celebrated on the 24th of June its centennial birthday. The festivity was rendered more attractive by the anticipation of members from home lodges, also from all daughter lodges. The Grand Lodges of Sweden, Denmark, England, Netherlands and Belgium sent also representatives. The festivities began with a prelude on the evening of the 23d, consisting chiefly of receptions and the introduction of representatives from abroad. The Crown Prince, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Russia, took part in these ceremonies, and was in the uniform of a General of Infantry. A collation was served, after business was ended. The main feast on St. John's day began at 1½ p.m., and lasted until 4 o'clock, the Crown Prince presiding. In a lengthy speech H. R. Highness spoke of masonry and lodge work and its practical application, and alluded eloquently to the historical value of the day. The different deputies followed in short salutations. The King of Sweden, Grand Master of the Lodge of Sweden, besides sending a very kind letter, had deputed Baron Salza, in his and Prince Oskar's name. Consul Gad expressed his regards, as representative from Denmark, and afterwards read the Crown Prince a letter from the King of Prussia sent from Ems. About 5 o'clock the grand collation was served, and the G. M. the Crown Prince, gave the first toast in honor of his majesty, the King of Prussia as Grand Protector of the Grand Lodge of Prussia.

The Lodges in New Mexico are talking of organizing a Grand Lodge. They are at present wholly, we believe, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Missouri.