

MASONRY IN NEBRASKA.

Started brothers—not that they are to be commiserated. Their celestial associations are beyond compare to earth's poor fellowships.

They have taken the supreme degree in life's Masonry. For as in our brotherhood we proceed from degree to degree, 'going on,' in true Methodist style 'and perfection.' So in life's progress, year after year marks the advance, another degree is taken, another board of character is added.

'Let age approve of youth, And death complete the same.' is Browning's prayer, fulfilled in the experiences of 'Our Departed Brothers.'

'There are certain milestones placed by fate to enable us to mark our progress on life's pilgrimage. First, a plant lump of common clay, emblem of babyhood, helpless, impressive, to be shaped for good or ill by the plastic art of circumstance.

'And, brothers, this modest marble slab is the token of life's highest degree. 'Tis the crowning monument we, as architects of fate, erect. Not the manufactory, counting house, university, state house or temple, but the tomb bears record of that building of character—that house not made with hands eternal in the heavens—the supreme creation of humanity's aspiration, faith and effort.

'Our departed brothers, whose names we have reverently carved upon that marble which shall crumble, have each builded a monument—a structure of immortal life—which, in the words of Horace, is 'more enduring than brass,' and which shall never decay.

'The tear which falls tonight as their memory is recalled, crystallizes into a jewel of purest ray serene,' reflecting for us heaven's brightest hope.

'Our Mothers and Sister' was the next toast on the printed programme, which was to have been responded to by Brother Benj. F. Thomas, but who was unable to remain and participate in the services. The toast was thereupon changed to 'Our Better Half,' and was responded to by Chas. J. Phelps, of Schuyler, Neb., grand junior warden of the state of Nebraska.

The banquet closed at 11:30 p. m., and everybody went home well pleased with the success which attended the celebration.

The following gentlemen were present with their ladies: W. W. Keyser, Alfred Oelsson, C. W. Baker, John Pray, A. H. Nichols, C. J. Phelps, P. C. Lusk, G. J. J. Phelps, Rufus S. Parker, W. E. Gipson, J. E. Simpson, Oscar R. Allen, S. B. Bachelor, Wm. S. Brooks, Dowditt C. Bryant, James W. Bouk, C. Wilbur Bouk, Frank E. Caldwell, Frank Canning, Lemuel H. Case, Wm. F. Church, Geo. W. Covell, John Cowles, William Clawson, Sam'l M. Crosby, William W. Cole, Ed. R. Duffie, Wm. N. Doward, Henry Dethlefs, Henry Falvey, Wm. S. Felker, Fred V. Fowler, Walter T. Gilbert, Alva J. Grover, Theo. Graepengiser, John J. Halligan, Wm. Hogeboom, Frank J. Hetzel, Conrad J. Hetzler, A. Hugh Hipple, John D. Howe, Harry Hopkins, U. Grant Huiszler, Orestes F. Jaynes, John Jenkins, John W. Johnson, Samuel Kline, Wm. Kragoskow, Enos L. Martin, Wm. J. Meals, Wm. A. Messick, Bryant McBride, Wm. C. McLean, Philip Nathan, Herbert H. Neale, George S. Powell, Geo. W. Poynton, Frank L. Prewer, Wm. Robinson, John W. Rowley, C. H. M. Rosecrans, Wm. D. Rowles, J. H. Rosenbutter, Ripley L. Reed, Aug. Schenbittler, H. W. Shriver, T. W. Shillington, Jacob Sliothower, George S. Smith, Jacob J. Smith,

Seymour H. Smith, Winfield S. Strawn, Fred J. Sackett, Benj. F. Thomas, John C. Thompson, John Wall, D. H. Wheeler, sr., D. H. Wheeler, jr., John T. Woolley, J. M. Gillan, W. H. Christie, Wm. Hodges, W. O. Rodgers, W. O. Chrisman, S. G. Hoff, Geo. Pleronetti, Jas. Gardner, Canon A. W. White, R. W. MacBride, marsh, J. M. McDowell, E. A. Togggenbery, W. E. Martin, W. P. Murray, W. F. Leonhardt, Ed. F. Schurig, Gustav Hold, Thos. G. Macgram, A. H. Peckham, and a number of others whose names we failed to secure.

Much of the credit for the success of the entertainment is due to the untiring efforts of Brother John Dickes Howe and Brother Frank Canning and the officers of the lodge.

The programme was a tasty bit of the printers' art, and was turned out by Brother Reed.

TOLERATION.

The Chicago Times in an editorial under the head of "Dogus Americanism" in speaking of the American Protective Association says, "this congeries of fanatics, many of them in Chicago of Canadian birth, has taken the contract of protecting America and the Americans from the pope of Rome, the Irish, and other aliens of divers stock."

Is it not a fact that Roger Williams, the founder of Rhode Island, and a Protestant, had to fly from Massachusetts two years before the Maryland colony was established because of his liberal views and his toleration? Is it not a fact that before his wanderings ceased he had established a colony in which religious toleration was the cornerstone?

And is it not a fact that the toleration of the Maryland Roman Catholics was a stroke of policy in order to secure a charter from a Protestant government? Would the Times have us believe that its editorial staff is so devoid of common sense that it does not know the boast of the Roman church is *semper eadem*—that it never changes? Would it have us believe that today she is not the most intolerant of creeds? Did we not have the spectacle, last May or June, of Protestant ministers of Chicago petitioning Satoll to use his influence with the pope so that they might enjoy religious freedom in certain Roman Catholic countries? Then why this constant insulting of Protestantism and of Protestants by belittling everything that is not under the control of the priests—the abject slaves of the pope of Rome? It is because the daily press is afraid of Rome. It is afraid of the influence of the priests, of the boycott of the ignorant dupes who know only enough to do as they are told, and it insults Protestants and Protestantism whenever it holds up Romanism—corrupt, licentious, debased Romanism—as an example, instead of condemning it until it would hide its festering, putrid head from very shame.

Out upon such damnable trucklers as edit the daily press. They deserve the contempt of decent men and of virtuous women, and the wrath of Almighty God.

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J. W. ELLER, Attorney-at-Law, 500 New York Life Building, OMAHA, NEBRASKA.

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