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| consistories nud a large number of subo | us us a clandestine Scottish |
| odies of the rite, in Now York, Now | rite body without any wecognition except |
| leans, South Carolina, Connecticut. Massa- | from its foster mothes, the Pilse council of |
| tts, New Jersey, New Hampshire and |  |
| Whsconsin, and in forclish conntries, at Brus- | the celiseat puta, |
|  | This furisilction, whieh has been and is |
| na, La Guayra and Port of Spain, The United States furisdiction t | now being usel as the selting mand by the |
| ive operation with a continuance of itw | southern and northern jurisdictions against |
| grand commanders from $150 \%$ to this dato, ex- | Masons who aro members of the Unitel |
| for a short portod during the anti-Ma- | States jurisdiction in Ohio, Iowa and Nebras- |
| sonicexcitenent when all Masonry was for a | ka, should be properly called by its proper |
|  | name, i. e, "The seymour-Peckham-Gourgas |
| In 1811 Governor De Witt Clinton of New | body." Liko the northera jurisdiction it has |
| deputy grand commatider, | had many changes to which it is needless to |
| and in 1498 sovereign commander, remainitis | gn |
|  | nd commander, Brother Gourgas of Balti- |
| 158s, having beel a |  |
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| In 1814 the United States comncil organized | To thoroughly explain this supposed Cerneau |
| and officered the first crand encampment of | Scottish rite boily fud not confound it with |
| Knights Templars in the United States, for | the United States rite, the following corre- |
| the state of New York. Since its organiza- | spondence betwoen the grand master of the |
|  | District of Columbla and Judge Gorman will, |
| p | to any enlightened Mason, mako everything |
| prominent Masons as De Witt Clinton, who | plain and easily understood: |
| was grand commander of the New York |  |
| grand commandery of Knights Tomplar, and | 1.k, Washisgros.July 25, 1880. |
| grand high priest of the state of New York: |  |
| Brother Mullizan, deputy frand master | - |
| New York, who at the same timo wns minis. |  |
| ter to Greece from the United States; Broth- | Mrsons of the Distrlet of Colmmblat it of |
| er Hoffman, grand master of Now York for | stated communtentiot, held thdet date of |
| two terms; Brother Colden, senior grand |  |
| warden of the grand lodiso of New York for | ton reporgo from the cornuttee on jurispru- |
| thirteen years, Brother Hicks, ermud secre- |  |
| tary of the arand lodge of New York for six |  |
| years: Brother Bacit, grand mnster of North |  |
| Carolma; the Marquis de Lafayette, who was | resolutions, revognizing the spurlous gratid |
| grand commander of the United States rito | 10 |
| in 1824: also grad masters of lodges in New | 1 |
| Hampshife, Cowreticut and New Jersey and | this grand hodes be and is horely di-s iven: |
| hundreds of other promineat Masous through- | and all Frcemasons owing alleghtace to this |
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| d communder of this body is J |  |
| J. Gomman of Now York, a gentleman well | orient of Erance or any body under its Jurla- |
| known and hoiding high Masonic ottice, being |  |
| at the present timo grand treasurer of the | That commition consisted of slast Worthy |
| grand lodge of Now York, presidont of the | Brother Bonjamin B. French. Most Worthy |
| Masonic hall association und president of the | Worthy BrothorJohin Eockle |
| Masonle orphans' home. Judge Gorman is | n- |
| also a mernber of the board of police, justico |  |
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| tleman and a schiolar and beloved by all who | rite has cuterod into and holds fratimal rela- |
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| suprome council of the so-called north. | this grand lodee has declared unlawful und |
| risiliction has been an unlawful and an | forbdaden intereourse with. |
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| ence, mad during its many chan |  |
| acter it has beyra, with only one exception. | thou thereunto belonging, by virtue of the |
| when it conmolidated in 7 sis with the United | powers and tuthotitios in us vested.and in |
| States jurisdiction, in molawful organization | performanee of the dutles of our otfice do |
| and a usurper. To give in detail tho many | thereby deriare that it is not consistont with the dut of any hivther under the grand todse |
| changes of the nortionn juristiction would | the duty of any hather under the erand lodge |
| take up too mach time and space, but a fow |  |
| of tho changes will be brielly noted. The | ganization, and any brother of this Jurisdio- |
| northorn jurisdiction was first brought to | Eton continuthe lis momber-hip in siny sald |
| light by De la Motti on his own responsibil- |  |
| ity, May 1, 1814. in Now York city facven | thisecalet in the Masonle lodge of which ho |
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| orgmized), who invited Brothers Stupson |  |
| and J.J.J. (iourgas not Gorgas of the Cor- | otution of the grand lodge of date of Jan- |
| ite) to noet him, which they did and |  |
| surcil of the 83 o on tho ubove | Wedo also prohibit any of the lodges of |
| date. The next moeting of this illegal coun- | this furiddetion granting the use of their |
| cil was not held until thirty years afterward, | place of meoting for the practiou of the sald |
| on Juno 15. 1044, and was only atteaded by J. |  |
| J. J. Gourgns and G. F. Fonda. During the | by my body knomn as the Gorgas-Cerneau |
| ons were made, |  |
| and not one of the five, except Fonda, ever | And we do furthiffirect all masters of |
| any active part or interest in the work, |  |
| Well knowing that they had no logal founda- | Visitar to their rodges any person elaimink to be a Eree and Acoepted Mason who is a mum- |
| tion to build upon. In September, 1844, an- |  |
| other moeting of this comncil was held, but |  |
| vo $23-$ Masons (Gourgas und Yutos) | dintion, and to include in the reegznized and |
| prssent. Another meether wha called for | imperative tost to be admintstered of perions |
| ut only the sume two were present | examined as viditors to their lodges, the state- |
| to answer to tho roll, and a third call was | of any body achnowledging allegiatace to the |
| made for November 13, at which mecting | sati Corgas-curneaurie, Had whoto ustabery |
| Gourpus and Yutis elovated Brothens Kay- |  |
| thd, Baker and Moore of Buston to the ats ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | of Freonud Accepted Masons withlu the Dis |
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| sos and Yutes held anotber moothig of | eordance with the resolutions of thls geand lodse, heretofore olted. |
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| this Illogal Northern council elevated but two | of the brothren of this Jurisfictlane 1 bhall |
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| zation is 1014. Since its organixation it has | socritaries of lodeses are directed to prorupt- |
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| and commander is H. L. Paimer, who re- |  |
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