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OF THE

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Grand Lodge of Illinois,

From Its Organization in 1840
to 1850 Inclusive.

As Ordered by the Grand Lodge, October 8, 1891.

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Proceedings.

At a Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, begun and held at the Grand Masonic Hall, in the town of Jacksonville, on the first Monday in October, being the third day of the month, A. D. 1842, A. L. 5842. Present:

M. W. ABRAHAM JONAS, G. M.
R. W. MEREDITH HELM, D. G. M.
W. ALEXANDER DUNLAP S. G. W.
JOSEPH N. RALSTON, J. G. W. *pro tem.*
WM. B. WARREN, G. Sec'y.
MATHEW STACY, G. T. *pro tem.*
J. H. LUCE, S. G. D.
J. S. POST, J. G. D.
A. C. DIXON, G. M.
JOHN. GREGORY, G. P.
GEORGE HACKETT, G. T.

Representatives:

No. 1—J. H. Ralston, R. M. Young, J. H. Luce.
No. 3—Geo. Hackett, M. Stacy, A. V. Putman.
No. 4—M. Helm.
No. 6—A. Jonas.
No. 8—Henry Prather, J. S. Post.
Rising Sun U. D.—Daniel C. Davis. ✓
Rushville U. D.—L. Lusk.
Nauvoo U. D.—H. Sherwood, L. N. Scovill. ✓

There being a sufficient number of lodges represented, the Grand Lodge was opened according to ancient form and usage, in the Third Degree of Masonry, and the Throne of Grace was addressed by the M. R. Grand Chaplain.

On motion of Brother Dunlap, the reading of the proceedings of the last annual communication was dispensed with.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committees:

On Returns and Work of Lodges—Brothers M. Helm, J. N. Ralston and Henry Prather.

On Petitions and Grievances—Brothers M. Helm, J. H. Luce and J. S. Post.

On Finance and Accounts—Brothers Shepherd, Harvey and Ludlum.

To Examine Visiting Brethren—Brothers M. Stacy and W. W. Happy.

Visiting Brethren—Geo. Henry, W. W. Happy, Jas. T. Holmes of Harmony Lodge, No. 3, J. B. Broadwell, A. F. Ellis, Springfield Lodge, No. 4, Jno. Daly, Virginia U. D., Timothy B. Foot, Nauvoo U. D.

The M. W. Grand Master announced that since the last annual communication of the Grand Lodge, he had granted a dispensation to P. Underwood as Master, A. Bonny as S. Warden and William Bassett as J. W., to form a new lodge at the town of Virginia, Cass County, Illinois.

Also a Dispensation to Luthur Woodward, Master, Andrew K. Patrick, S. W. J. W., to form a new Lodge in the town of Vermillionville, LaSalle County, Illinois.

Also a Dispensation to Levi Lusk, Master, James L. Anderson, S. W., John Todd Hunter, J. W., to form a new lodge in the town of Rushville, Schuyler County, Illinois.

Also a Dispensation to R. H. Marron, Master, C. H. Gatewood, S. W. and George Webb, J. W., to form a new lodge in Shawneetown, County of Gallatin, Illinois.

Also a Dispensation to S. H. Davis, Master, A. O. Garrett, S. W. and John King, J. W., to form a new lodge in the town of Peoria, County of Peoria, Illinois.

Also a Dispensation to George Miller, Master, John D. Parker, S. W. and L. N. Scovill, J. W., to form a new lodge in the city of Nauvoo, County of Hancock, Illinois.

Also a Dispensation to Stephen H. Burton, Master, D. C. Davis, S. W., Christopher Williams, J. W., to form a new lodge in the town of Montrose, County of Lee, Iowa Territory.

The M. W. Master made an explanation and presented a number of letters in relation to Nauvoo Lodge U. D., which were referred to the Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges.

A communication was received from Bodley Lodge, No. 1, in relation to a correspondence between it and Nauvoo Lodge U. D., was received and referred to the Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges.

On motion of Bro. S. G. Warden

The Grand Lodge was called from labor, until 2 o'clock P. M.

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Representatives—No. 4, J. P. Swisler, J. P. Shepherd.

The resolution offered by Bro. D. G. Master at the last Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, as follows:

Resolved, That the By-Laws be so amended, as to give to the Grand Wardens collectively one vote in all elections and questions before the Grand Lodge.

Was on motion adopted.

The Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges made the following report accompanied with a resolution.

The Committee on Returns and Work of Lodges beg leave to report in part, they have examined the returns of Rushville Lodge U. D., consisting only of the usual abstracts of proceeding, that from it, it appears that in several instances, candidates have been initiated within fourteen days after the presentation of their petitions contrary to the previous instructions of the Grand Lodge and the ancient landmarks of Masonry.

In every other respect their work appears to have been correct, so far as may be judged of, from the abstract alone.

M. HELM,
J. N. RALSTON,
A. PRATHER,
Committee.

Brother Lusk having made a satisfactory explanation of the irregularity in the work, referred to in the above report,

Resolved, That a Charter be granted to Rushville Lodge, U. D., as Rushville Lodge, No. 9.

On motion of Brother G. Secretary it was

Resolved, That Bro. Lusk be allowed to take his seat as representative of Rushville Lodge, No. 9.