PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO,

OF THE

MOST ANCIENT AND HONORABLE FRATERNITY

OF

FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS,

AT ITS

SEVERAL COMMUNICATIONS,

FROM A. L. 5861 TO A. L. 5869, INCLUSIVE.

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Published by authority of the following:

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be authorized to have reprinted 800 copies pf the past proceedings of this Grand Lodge, *providing* the fraternity of this jurisdiction shall subscribe for 300 copies of the same, at an advance of fifty cents per copy upon actual cost. The price per copy not to exceed two dollars; 300 copies to be retained in Library of the Grand ▭, for future use.

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MASONIC CONVENTION

TO ORGANIZE

THE GRAND LODGE

OF THE

TERRITORY OF COLORADO,

HELD IN GOLDEN CITY, AUGUST 2, A. L., 5861.

GOLDEN CITY, C. T., August 2, 1861.

In accordance with the previous agreement, and appointment of the Masters and Wardens of the several ▭ of Free and Accepted Masons, of the Territory of Colorado, viz Golden City ▭, of Golden City; Summit ▭ No. 7, of Parkville; Rocky Mountain ▭ No. 8, of Gold Hill; a Convention was held this day for the purpose of organizing a Grand ▭ for the Territory of Colorado.

On motion, Bro. Eli Carter, of Golden City ▭, was called to preside, and

Bro. O. A. Whittemore, of Summit ▭, was chosen Secretary.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to report to the Convention what action is necessary to carry out the design of this Convention, namely, the formation of a Grand ▭ for the Territory of Colorado.

Bros. C. F. Holly, of Rocky Mountain ▭, S. M. Robbins, of Summit ▭, I. E. Hardy, of Golden City ▭, were appointed said committee, who made the following

REPORT:

The committee appointed to report what action is necessary to carry out the design of this Convention, respectfully report the following resolution:

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Resolved, That we deem it highly expedient to organize a Grand ▭ for this Territory, and that the following order of proceeding be observed, to that end:

1. That a ▭ of Master Masons be opened in due form, the Master of the the oldest ▭ present presiding.
2. That the charters of the ▭ represented, and the credentials of the representatives, be presented and acted upon.
3. The election of officers, and
4. The installation of the officers elect.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. HOLLY,
S. M. ROBBINS,
I. E. HARDY,
} *Committee.*

The report of the committee was unanimously adopted.

Whereupon, a ▭ of Master Masons was then duly opened, —Bro. James Ewing, of Summit ▭, presiding, (Bro. Eli Carter, Master of Golden City ▭, waiving his right,) Bro. I. E. Hardy, of Golden City ▭, acting as Senior Warden, Bro. S. M. Robbins, of Summit ▭, as Junior Warden.

Prayer by Rev. Bro. J. M. Chivington.

On motion, a committee of three, consisting of Bros. Robbins, Carter and Holly, was appointed to examine charters of ▭ claiming to be represented in this Convention, and credentials of representatives, under the same, which committee made the following

REPORT:

The committee appointed to examine the charters of the ▭ claiming to be represented in this Convention, and the credentials of the representatives under the same, have had the same under advisement, and respectfully beg leave to report the following ▭ duly chartered, and represented as follows, to-wit:

Golden City ▭ No. —, at Golden City, C. T. Chartered by the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Kansas, October 17th, 1860; and represented as follows: Bro. Eli Carter, W.·. M.·.; Bro. I. E. Hardy, proxy for S.·. W.·.; Bro. J. A. Moore, J.·. W.·.

Rocky Mountain ▭ No. 8, Gold Hill, C. T. Chartered June 5th, 1861, by the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska; and represented as follows: Bro. C. F. Holly, as proxy for W.·. M.·. and S.·. W.·., and Bro. J. Chivington, as proxy for J.·. W.·.

Summit ▭ No. 7, Parkville, C. T. Chartered June 5th, 1861, by the M.· W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska, and represented as follows: Bro. James Ewing

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W.·. M.·.; Bro. O. A. Whittemore, proxy for S.·. W.·., and Bro. S. M. Robbins, proxy for J.·. W.·.

Your committee therefore beg leave to report the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the brethren heretofore named, are entitled to seats in this Grand ▭, here to be formed.

Resolved, That Bro. L. L. Bowen, Past Deputy Grand Master of Nebraska, and Bros. W. T. Wade and L. M. Frary, Past Masters, be allowed seats in this Convention.

S. M. ROBBINS,
ELI CARTER,
C. F. HOLLY,
} *Committee.*

Which report was unanimously adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the following grand officers be now elected by ballot, viz: M.·. W.·. Grand Master; R.·. W.·. Deputy Grand Master; R.·. W.·. Senior Grand Warden; R.·. W.·. Junior Grand Warden; R.·. W.·. Grand Treasurer, and R.·. W.·. Grand Secretary.

Bros. Chivington and Carter were appointed tellers, when the ▭ proceeded to ballot for Grand Officers with the following result:

J. M. CHIVINGTON, Gold Hill, Grand Master.
S. M. ROBBINS, Parkville, Deputy Grand Master.
JAS. EWING, Parkville, Senior Grand Warden.
J. M. HOLT, Gold Hill, Junior Grand Warden.
ELI CARTER, Golden City, Grand Treasurer.
O. A. WHITTEMORE, Parkville, Grand Secretary.

The Grand Officers were then regularly installed into their respective stations.

The following officers, appointed by the Grand Master, were then installed by him.

C. F. HOLLY, Gold Hill, Grand Orator.
I. E. HARDY, Golden City, Grand Lecturer.
J. M. FERRELL, Golden City, Grand Marshal.
JOSHUA MILLER, Parkville, Senior Grand Deacon.
C. W. SMITH, Gold Hill, Junior Grand Deacon.
D. T. ROBLEY, Parkville, Grand Tyler.
E. S. GLOTFELTER, Gold Hill, Grand Steward.
J. A. MOORE, Golden City, Grand Sword Bearer.

The Grand ▭ of Colorado was then declared regularly organized, and its officers installed in due form.

JAMES EWING, *W. M.*

O. A. WHITTEMORE, *Sec'y.*

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The Grand ▭ of Colorado being now regularly constituted,

On motion, a committee of three, composed of Bros. J. A. Moore, C. F. Holly and S. M. Robbins, was appointed to report a Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Order, for the government of this Grand ▭, and Rules and Regulations for the government of subordinate ▭▭.

The Grand ▭ then called from labor until 8 o'clock Saturday morning, the 3d inst.

SATURDAY MORNING.

The Grand ▭ resumed labor at 8 o'clock, when the committee on Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Order for the government of this Grand ▭, and Rules and Regulations for the government of subordinate ▭▭, made their report, (see Appendix,) which was adopted.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the several ▭, under the jurisdiction of this Grand ▭, be numbered anew, according to the age of their charters, beginning with number one.

The several subordinate ▭▭ were then declared to be as follows:

Golden City ▭ No. 1, at Golden City.
Summit ▭ No. 2, at Parkville.
Rocky Mountain ▭ No. 3, at Gold Hill.

On motion, Bros. Robbins, Holly and Carter were appointed a committee to draft and procure the passage of a suitable act of incorporation for this Grand ▭, at the ensuing session of the General Assembly of Colorado.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to draw on each of the ▭ under this jurisdiction for the sum of $25.00, to meet the expenses of this Grand ▭, if necessary.

It was also

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be directed to procure the necessary printing for this Grand ▭,—such as the proceedings of this session, Con-

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stitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, blank charters and dispensations; also a seal and seal press.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That a school of instruction be established by this Grand ▭, and that at least one day, at each Grand Communication, be set apart for the purpose of instruction by the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, in order that uniformity in the work may be obtained in this jurisdiction.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the work in this jurisdiction be adopted as exemplified in the present session of this Grand ▭.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That when this Grand ▭ adjourn, it be to meet at Denver City, on the first Monday in December, 1861.

The Grand ▭ then called from labor until 1 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand ▭ resumed labor at 1 o'clock.

After some deliberation, and no further business appearing, the Grand ▭ then closed its session in peace and harmony.

J. M. CHIVINGTON, *Grand Master.*

O. A. WHITTEMORE, *Grand Secretary.*

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO.

WHEREAS, Every Grand ▭ possesses the inherent power to form a Constitution, as the fundamental law of its Masonic action, and to enact such By-Laws from time to time as it may deem necessary for its own government, and to make such rules and prescribe such regulations for the administration of its subordinate ▭▭, as will insure the prosperity thereof, and promote the general good of Masonry; and, WHEREAS, Every Grand ▭ is the true representative of all the fraternity in communication therewith, and is, in that behalf, an absolute and independent body, with supreme legislative authority: *Provided always*, That the ancient Landmarks of the Order be held inviolate.

Therefore, Upon these principles, which have never been disputed, the Grand ▭ of Colorado does hereby ordain, establish and promulgate the following Constitution and By-Laws for its future government, and does make and prescribe the following rules and regulations for the government of the ▭▭ under its jurisdiction.

ARTICLE I.

This Grand ▭ shall forever hereafter be known by the name and style of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Colorado.

ARTICLE II.

The Grand ▭ shall consist of a Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, Junior Grand Warden,

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Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, Grand Chaplain, Grand Orator, Grand Lecturer, Grand Marshal, Senior Grand Deacon, Junior Grand Deacon and Grand Tyler, with such other officers as it may, from time to time, create; together with the Masters and Wardens, or their proxies, duly constituted, of the chartered ⧉ under its jurisdiction, and such Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters as shall be present, and are members of a subordinate ▭.

ARTICLE III.

The Grand ▭ shall hold a stated communication, at least once in every two years, at such time and in such place as may be designated in its By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV.

The Grand ▭ shall not be opened, nor shall any business be transacted therein, unless there be present a representative from at least three of the chartered ⧉; but a smaller number may meet and adjourn from day to day, until a constitutional quorum shall attend.

ARTICLE V.

The officers of the Grand ▭ shall be styled, and take rank, as follows:

The Most Worshipful Grand Master.
The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master.
The Right Worshipful Senior Grand Warden.
The Right Worshipful Junior Grand Warden.
The Right Worshipful Grand Treasurer.
The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.
The Right Worshipful Grand Chaplain.
The Right Worshipful Grand Orator.
The Right Worshipful Grand Lecturer.
The Right Worshipful Grand Marshal.
The Worshipful Senior Grand Deacon.
The Worshipful Junior Grand Deacon.
The Grand Tyler.

ARTICLE VI.

No brother shall be eligible to the office of Grand Master,

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Deputy Grand Master, or Grand Warden, who has not been duly elected, installed, and presided over a subordinate ▭.

ARTICLE VII.

At each stated communication of the Grand ▭, there shall be elected, by ballot, from among the brethren who are at the time constitutionally eligible to seats therein, a Grand Master, a Deputy Grand Master, a Grand Senior Warden, a Grand Junior Warden, a Grand Treasurer and a Grand Secretary; all other Grand Officers shall be appointed by the Grand Master, with the advice and consent of the Grand ▭.

ARTICLE VIII.

No Grand Officer shall officiate in the station to which he is elected, until he has been legally installed.

ARTICLE IX.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master has the right to convene the Grand ▭, in special Grand Communication, on any emergency which, in his judgment, may require it. He has the power at his discretion to assemble any subordinate ▭, and preside therein, inspect its work, and require a strict conformity to the constitutional rules and regulations of order. For good cause, he may suspend the functions of any such ▭, until the ensuing stated communication of the Grand ▭. It is his prerogative to make Masons at sight, and, for this purpose, may summon to his assistance such brethren as he may deem necessary. He has the command of every other Grand Officer, touching the duties and ministrations of their several offices, and may call on any and all of them, at any time, for advice and assistance on all business relative to the craft.

ARTICLE X.

In case of the death, absence, or inability of the Grand Master, the powers and duties of his station, for all regular and necessary purposes, shall, for the time being, devolve upon the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden, or Junior Grand Warden, in the order here enumerated.

ARTICLE XI.

During the recess of the Grand ▭, the Grand Master, and

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Deputy Grand Master, severally, have power to grant dispensations, under their private seals, for instituting new ⧉.

ARTICLE XII.

No dispensation shall be granted for constituting a new ▭, except upon the petition of eight Master Masons, one of whom must be a Past Master, and the recommendation of the chartered ▭ nearest the location of the new ▭, vouching for the moral character and Masonic qualifications of the petitioners.

ARTICLE XIII.

No warrant or dispensations, for the institution of a new ▭, shall be granted for a less sum than twenty-five dollars, and thirty dollars additional for the charter.

ARTICLE XIV.

No charter or dispensation, for constituting new ⧉, shall be granted to any person or persons whomsoever residing out of this Territory (or State), if within the jurisdiction of any other constitutional Grand ▭.

ARTICLE XV.

The Grand ▭ has original and exclusive jurisdiction over all subjects of Masonic legislation, and appellate jurisdiction from the decisions of the subordinate ⧉; and its enactments and decisions upon all questions shall be the supreme Masonic law of the Territory or State. It shall prescribe such rules and regulations for the government of the subordinate ⧉ as will, in its arbitrament, conduce to the welfare, prosperity and happiness of the craft; and may require from them such dues and fees as will at all times discharge the engagements of the Grand ▭.

ARTICLE XVI.

The Book of Constitutions hereunto attached, this Grand ▭ does recognize and adopt as the fundamental Laws, Rules and Regulations for the government of Masons; and declares that it should be frequently read and perused by Masters, and other craftsmen, as well within the subordinate ⧉ as thereout, to

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the end that none may be ignorant of the excellent principles and precepts it inculcates.

ARTICLE XVII.

This Constitution may be altered or amended, in the following manner only: The proposed alteration or amendment must be made in writing, at some stated communication. If seconded by a majority of votes, it shall be entered upon the minutes, and be then submitted to the several subordinate ⧉, for their approval or rejection. If two-thirds of the ⧉ approve thereof by certificate, over their respective seals, to the next succeeding Grand ▭, the Grand Master shall put the question upon its adoption; and if concurred in, by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, it shall, from thenceforth, be considered as a part and parcel of this Constitution.

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BY-LAWS

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO.

SECTION I.

There shall be an Annual Communication of the Grand ▭, except, for good cause, the same be adjourned for a longer period; but in no event shall such adjournment extend beyond the period of two years.

SECTION II.

The stated meetings of the Grand ▭ shall be held at Denver, on the first Monday in December, annually.

SECTION III.

On the day appointed for the meeting of the Grand ▭, a Master Mason's ▭ shall be opened, in ample form, at 10 o'clock A. M., when the M.·. W.·. Grand Master shall appoint a committee to examine visiting brethren, and a committee to examine credentials, each to consist of three members.

So soon as a constitutional quorum of ▭ is ascertained to be present, the Grand ▭ of Colorado shall be declared open for the despatch of business, and the Grand Master shall then appoint the following standing committees, each to consist of not less than three nor more than five members, to wit: A committee on Accounts; a committee on Charters and Dispensations; a committee on Foreign Communications; a committee on Ways and Means; a committee on Charity; a committee on Grievances; a committee on Unfinished Business; a committee to prepare a Pay Roll; a committee on Masonic Jurisprudence; a committee on School Fund; and a commit-

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tee on Returns of subordinate ⛀, whose duty it shall be to examine and correct such returns.

SECTION IV.

The standing committees of the Grand ▭ shall perform and discharge the following specific duties, to wit:

1. The committee to examine visiting brethren shall perform the duties of their appointment according to established Masonic usage.

2. The returns of the subordinate ⛀ and the credentials of representatives and proxies shall be referred to the committee appointed to examine credentials, who shall report the number of ⛀ that are represented, the names of representatives and proxies, with the number of votes to which each is entitled.

3. It shall be the duty of the committee on Accounts to examine the books and vouchers of the Treasurer and Grand Secretary, settle and balance the same, and report the actual state of the funds to the Grand ▭.

4. The committee on Charters and Dispensations shall particularly examine the work, records, and By-Laws, of all ⛀ under dispensation, and the proceedings of the Grand Officers granting the same; they shall examine the amended By-Laws of all chartered ⛀ submitted for the approval of the Grand ▭; they will note all matters that are improper or unconstitutional, in any of such work, records and By-Laws, and report to the Grand ▭ with such recommendations as they shall deem meet and proper in the premises.

5. The Foreign Correspondence of the Grand ▭, including all communications made by other Grand ⛀, shall be referred to the committee on Foreign Communications, whose duty it shall be to examine the same, and report all matters found therein which effect the general or local welfare of the craft, accompanied with such recommendations as they may deem expedient.

6. It shall be the duty of the committee on Ways and Means to take into consideration the condition of the funds

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and estate of the Grand ▭, and all propositions and resolutions, affecting its revenue, which may be offered; they shall specifically report thereon, and may recommend any measures, which in their opinion, will operate financially for the benefit of the institution.

7. All applications for appropriations from the charity fund of the Grand ▭ shall be submitted to the committee on Charity, who shall consider the same, and make report thereon to the Grand ▭.

8. All matters of controversy and grievance brought before the Grand ▭, shall be referred to the committee on Grievances, whose duty it shall be to examine into the same, and report, for the action of the Grand ▭.

9. It shall be the duty of the committee on Unfinished Business, to examine and report from the journal of the previous session, all such matters as were then pending and undetermined.

10. It shall be the duty of the committee to prepare a pay roll, to ascertain and report the per diem and traveling compensation allowed to the representatives and members of the Grand ▭.

11. It shall be the duty of the committee on Masonic Jurisprudence, to investigate and report upon all questions that may be referred to them by the Grand ▭: *Provided*, That, with the consent of the Grand ▭, said committee may retain any question or paper referred to them, and report thereon at the next regular Grand Communication.

12. It shall be the duty of the committee on the School Fund, to report to the Grand ▭ on all matters referred to them in relation to the school fund. They shall also make a report annually to the Grand ▭, of the state and condition of the school fund; and they shall also make a separate report, upon the particulars required in the several resolutions of the Grand ▭ creating said school fund.

SECTION V.

It shall be considered the duty of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, to communicate in writing, immediately after the appoint-

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ment of the standing committees, a statement of his official acts during the recess of the Grand ▭, with such other matters as he may deem advantageous to the craft. He shall also give to the Grand ▭ information upon subjects of Masonic interest, and recommend for its consideration any measures he shall deem expedient; which communication shall be referred to such appropriate committees as its various details require. The Deputy Grand Master shall also report, in writing, any official acts performed by him during the recess of the Grand ▭.

SECTION VI.

The M.·. W.·. Grand Master is not authorized to make or second any motion; but on all questions where there is an equal division, he shall give the casting vote.

SECTION VII.

It is the duty of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master to install his successor and his Deputy when present; but he may if he see fit, authorize any worthy Past Master to install all the other Grand Officers.

SECTION VIII.

The M.·. W.·. Grand Master shall appoint at each stated communication of the Grand ▭, a Grand Steward, a Grand Sword Bearer and two Grand Pursuivants.

SECTION IX.

In the event of the death, resignation, or removal of any of the Grand Officers during the recess of the Grand ▭, the M.·. W.·. Grand Master has authority to appoint any suitable brother to fill the vacant station and to install into office.

SECTION X.

It is the duty of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master in office or *pro tempore* to subscribe the journal of the Grand ▭ at every Grand Communication, and no transcript or minutes therefrom shall at any time be printed or published until examined by him and subscribed as aforesaid.

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SECTION XI.

On all questions arising in the Grand ▭, the Grand Officers together with such Past Grand Masters and Past Deputy Grand Masters as may be present and are members thereof, shall each be entitled to one vote, and the Master and Wardens of each subordinate ▭, or their regularly constituted proxies, shall each be entitled to one vote; but in no case whatsoever shall a member by virtue of any proxy or authority cast more than three votes.

SECTION XII.

The Grand Tyler shall not, *ex officio*, be entitled to any vote in the Grand ▭.

SECTION XIII.

It shall be competent for the Master and Wardens of any subordinate ▭ to appoint a suitable brother, being a member of some ▭ under this jurisdiction, his or their proxy to the Grand ▭ certified under their official signature; and it shall, in like manner, be competent for any ▭, the officers of which decline attending the meeting of the Grand ▭, and to appoint their proxies as aforesaid, to designate and make choice by resolution of some brother having the qualifications aforesaid, the proxy of said ▭, which resolution must be certified by the Secretary thereof, and shall entitle the brother appointed to three votes: *Provided, however*, that no representative or proxy from a subordinate ▭ shall hold a seat in the Grand ▭ until he shall produce evidence that the ▭ he represents has discharged in full its Grand Dues.

SECTION XIV.

All decisions of the Grand ▭ shall be determined by a majority of the votes given. The yeas and nays may be ordered upon any question at the request of three members, when the roll shall be called and every vote counted.

SECTION XV.

The Grand Treasurer shall have charge of all the funds, securities and vouchers of the Grand ▭, and shall pay all orders

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from the moneys on hand that may be directed by the Grand ▭, or otherwise constitutionally drawn. It shall be his duty to attend all the communications of the Grand ▭ with his books of account, vouchers for money paid out, and all necessary papers relating to his office, in order that the same may be inspected and his accounts settled; and he shall meet with any Grand Committee when required, whose general or special province it may be to act in relation to the fiscal concerns of the Grand ▭. Before entering upon any of the duties of his office, he shall give bond with security, as the Grand ▭ may direct, conditioned for the faithful discharge thereof.

SECTION XVI.

It shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary to record the transactions of the Grand ▭, and he shall attend, personally, each Grand Communication, with the necessary books and papers of his office; he shall keep the seal of the Grand ▭ and affix the same with his attestation to all instruments required to be so executed; he shall receive, receipt for, and immediately pay over to the Grand Treasurer, all Grand Dues, fees and other moneys handed in at any communication of the Grand ▭, taking a proper voucher therefor; he shall keep a faithful journal of all its proceedings, distribute the same when ordered to be printed for circulation, and conduct any correspondence required of him under the orders of the Grand ▭, and the directions of the Grand Master; he shall procure all necessary books and stationery, and shall have charge of all the records, papers, parchments, certificates and documents, other than those belonging to the Grand Treasurer; he shall do and perform any other duties customary to his office and the established usages of Masons; and for his services in full he shall receive a salary of fifty dollars per annum.

SECTION XVII.

It shall be the duty of the Grand Lecturer to attend the communications of the Grand ▭. He shall, under the advice and with the concurrence of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, cause the work of the several ▭ to be uniform; and upon any ques-

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tion and difference of opinion arising in the discharge of his duty, the decision of the Grand ▭, when in session, and of the Grand Master, at all other times, shall be final. He shall visit the subordinate ▭ when called upon for that purpose, and communicate the proper and uniform mode of work; and for his services he shall be paid by the ▭ requiring them.

SECTION XVIII.

Each subordinate ▭ is required to be represented at the stated communications of the Grand ▭, such representation shall be paid out of the funds of the Grand ▭, one dollar and fifty cents for every twenty-five miles going to, and returning therefrom, to be estimated by the most direct and traveled route, and one dollar and fifty cents for each day's attendance: *Provided*, that no brother shall receive compensation as the representative or proxy of more than one ▭, or more than one representative from one ▭: *And, Provided, also*, that no representative, delegate, or proxy, who leaves said Grand ▭ before it is closed shall receive any compensation for his travel or attendance, unless he be excused on account of sickness, or other providential causes arising after his leaving home to attend said Grand ▭.

SECTION XIX.

Every subordinate ▭ shall pay annually to the Grand ▭, at the stated meetings thereof, the following Grand Dues, to wit: For each initiation, the sum of five dollars, and for each member, the sum of one dollar and fifty cents, but no Grand ▭ dues shall be required for any member for whom an initiation fee is paid during the same year.

SECTION XX.

Every subordinate ▭ which shall not be represented for two successive Grand Communications, and neglect for two consecutive years to discharge its Grand Dues, shall be suspended from all its Masonic functions; and it shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary to give such delinquent ▭ immediate notice thereof, and, unless within one year from date of suspension, the said ▭ shall faithfully discharge all arrearages, and show

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good cause to the contrary, it shall forfeit its charter and be struck from the roll of ⊡; and in no case, and under no pretence, whatever, shall such ▭ be resuscitated until all Grand Dues be paid, together with a dispensation fee of twenty-five dollars.

SECTION XXI.

When a charter shall be surrendered or become forfeit, the whole of the property of the subordinate ▭ of every kind and description shall be vested in the Grand ▭ and subject to its disposal.

SECTION XXII.

The subordinate ⊡ shall have authority to assess such dues upon their members, from time to time, as they shall deem just and expedient; and the By-Laws of each ▭ shall designate the amount of dues so assessed, and the times for the payment thereof, which shall be considered sufficient notice to each member. And it is hereby made the imperative duty of the Master to cause the Secretary to enter "suspended" every member who shall be in arrears, and forthwith to notify him of the same; if, within a reasonable time thereafter, as the ▭ may determine, the member so suspended does not discharge his dues, he shall be expelled.

SECTION XXIII.

The Master of each ▭ shall cause the Secretary to give immediate notice to the Grand Secretary of every suspension or expulsion that is ordered in his ▭, whether for non-payment of dues, or otherwise; and it is hereby declared that suspension or expulsion for non-payment of dues, works an absolute forfeiture, for the time being, of all Masonic privileges.

SECTION XXIV.

It shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary, in making up the annual minutes of the Grand ▭ for publication, to embrace therein a list of the suspensions and expulsions from the several subordinate ⊡, setting forth the cause in each particular case.

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SECTION XXV.

Whenever the Grand ▭ shall abrogate the decision of a subordinate ▭ suspending or expelling a brother, and thus restore him to the benefits and privileges of Masonry, he shall not thereby be reinstated to membership in the subordinate ▭ without its unanimous consent.

SECTION XXVI.

Every society of Masons applying for a dispensation shall, before the same be granted, deposit with the M.·. W.·. Grand Master or Deputy Grand Master issuing the same, the sum of twenty-five dollars for the use of the Grand ▭, which shall entitle the ▭ so constituted to a charter upon the additional payment of thirty dollars, provided its work is approved by the Grand ▭.

SECTION XXVII.

No dispensation shall authorize a ▭ to work beyond the period fixed for the next succeeding stated meeting of the Grand ▭; at which time the dispensation, together with a copy of its By-Laws and a record of its proceedings, shall be presented to the Grand ▭ for inspection; when the dispensation may be continued, a charter granted, or its labors interdicted, as the Grand ▭ may deem meet.

SECTION XXVIII.

No ▭ under dispensation shall be permitted to hold a public celebration on any Masonic occasion, whatever, unless the consent of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, or in his absence, of the Deputy Grand Master, be first obtained.

SECTION XXIX.

No ▭ is authorized to commence work under its charter until the officers thereof have been regularly installed, and for this purpose, whenever a charter is granted, the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, or in his absence, the Deputy Grand Master, shall appoint a suitable and early day for constituting said ▭, and for the installation of its officers, and, when convenient, shall in person conduct such ceremony. They have the power, how-

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ever, at their discretion, to appoint some worthy Past Master to act as their proxy on such occasions.

SECTION XXX.

Every resolution or motion contemplating an appropriation from the funds of the Grand ▭, shall be proposed by, or referred to, some standing committee of that body before it can be acted upon.

SECTION XXXI.

When an appeal from the decision of a subordinate ▭, on any matter of Masonic discipline, shall be perfected and entered in the Grand ▭, it shall be referred to the standing committee on Grievances, or decided without such reference if deemed most expedient; and in either case the subordinate, or the appellant brother, shall have the benefit of any additional testimony, providing the same has been taken agreeably to the notice prescribed in the Rules and Regulations of the Grand ▭ for the government of the ▭ under its jurisdiction.

SECTION XXXII.

No By-Law shall be altered or done away, or any new one adopted, until the proposed alteration, amendment, nullification, or addition be reduced to writing and seconded by five members; it shall then be entered upon the minutes, and lie over until the next succeeding stated meeting of the Grand ▭, when, if approved by two-thirds of the members present, the same shall be adopted: *Provided*, that by an unanimous vote, any proposition as aforesaid, may be acted upon instanter.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO,

FOR THE

GOVERNMENT OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

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1. A subordinate ▭ shall consist of at least a Master, a Senior and Junior Warden, a Treasurer, Secretary, Senior and Junior Deacon, a Tyler, and as many members as are convenient.

The officers above enumerated shall be elected by ballot by a majority of votes, at the stated meeting in November or December, annually, and be installed into office as near the festival of St. John the Evangelist as practicable.

2. No brother shall be eligible to the Mastership, unless he has been elected and served in the station of Warden, in some regular ▭. In the absence of the Master, the Senior and Junior Warden, according to rank, shall succeed to the duties of his station.

3. Each subordinate ▭ possesses the inherent right to enact By-Laws and ordinances for its own government, provided the same are not inconsistent with the Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Grand ▭, and the fundamental principles of Masonry. And to the end that there shall be preserved always inviolate, it is hereby declared that no By-Law or ordinance of government of a subordinate ▭, shall be of any permanent validity until approved by the Grand ▭.

4. Each ▭ shall assemble for work at least once in every

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calendar month; and if any ▭ under this jurisdiction shall cease to meet for twelve successive months it shall forfeit its charter, and be erased from the Grand ▭ book.

Previous to advancements, all candidates shall be examined in open ▭, in the degree which they have taken, and be found to possess at least a knowledge of that degree.

5. All the proceedings, ballotings and business of the ▭▭ shall be had in a ▭ of Master Masons, that of conferring the inferior degrees alone excepted.

6. No religious test shall ever be required of any applicant for the benefits of Masonry, other than a steadfast belief in the existence and perfections of Deity; and no ▭ under this jurisdiction shall receive any candidate without the acknowledgment of such belief.

7. No ▭ shall confer the first three degrees in Masonry for a less sum than thirty dollars.

A *unanimous* vote must be had in favor of the applicant for each degree, but in no case shall a ballot be taken until the money required for the fee shall be in actual deposit.

8. No ▭, in the absence of the Master and Wardens, shall initiate, craft, or raise, unless a Past Master be present and presiding.

9. All applications for initiation or for membership, shall be made at the regular stated meeting of the ▭, and lie over at least from one communication to another, unless, by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, it shall be regarded a case of emergency, when, by a unanimous vote, a ballot may be ordered.

10. After a petition is regularly received by a subordinate ▭, and entered upon its minutes, it shall not be drawn without the consent of the ▭,—at least three-fourths of the members present concurring therein.

11. If any member of a subordinate ▭ shall, from trifling, captious, sinister or unworthy motives, attempt to arrest the legitimate work of the ▭, he shall thereby be rendered amenable to Masonic discipline. And it is made the duty of the ▭▭, in all such cases, to proceed to the investigation

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thereof, and to reprimand, suspend or expel the offending member, as a majority present may deem best.

12. No ▭ shall initiate into the mysteries of the craft, any person whomsoever, without being first satisfied, by a test, or otherwise, that the candidate has not made application to some other ▭ and been rejected; and if it shall appear that he has been rejected, then the ▭ must be satisfactorily convinced that such rejection has not been on account of any circumstances that ought to preclude him from the benefits of Masonry; otherwise, the interdiction is positive and peremptory.

13. No ▭ shall receive into membership, a Mason from any other ▭, until he shall produce satisfactory evidence that he has paid all dues to the ▭ of which he was last a member.

14. No one can become a member of a subordinate ▭, or be entitled to a vote therein, until he has received the third degree in Masonry.

15. No candidate shall be received in any ▭ out of the county in which he resides, if there is a regular working ▭ in such county, unless with the unanimous recommendation thereof. If there are two or more ▭▭ in any county, then the candidate must apply to the ▭ nearest his residence. In a town, or city, any ▭ therein may receive an applicant, resident of such town or city.

16. It shall be unlawful for any ▭ under this jurisdiction to receive, as a visitor, a brother while known to be under sentence of suspension or expulsion from any constitutional Masonic body.

17. When the physical disabilities of a candidate are not such as to prevent him from being initiated into the several degrees and mysteries of Freemasonry, his admission shall not be construed an infringement upon the *ancient landmarks*, but, on the contrary, will be perfectly consistent with the spirit of the institution.

18. In no case, for non-payment of dues, shall a subordinate ▭ publish, in a newspaper, the suspension or expulsion of any

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of its members, unless the consent of the Grand ▭, or of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master be first obtained.

19. The subordinate ▭▭ have the power, at their discretion, to require of all Master Masons residing within their respective jurisdictions, to contribute pecuniary aid to purposes strictly Masonic. But this power shall not be exercised except with proper caution and deliberation.

20. Each subordinate ▭ shall bury a deceased worthy member of its body with Masonic rites, if requested by decedent in his lifetime, or by his near relations, after his death; and in all other cases, such Masonic honors may be granted or withheld, as the ▭ may consider best.

21. When convenient, the several subordinate ▭▭ should be supplied with libraries of useful and practical books; and it is enjoined upon them, as often as it is feasible, to introduce into their meetings, lectures and essays upon Masonic polity, and the various arts and sciences connected therewith.

22. Subordinate ▭▭ not only possess the power, but it shall be their express duty, to take cognizance of brethren within their vicinity, whether subordinate to the jurisdiction of this Grand ▭, or otherwise, and to suspend or expel from the privileges of the order, any brother who shall be found guilty of unmasonic conduct—subject, however, to an appeal to the Grand ▭.

23. No Grand ▭ shall proceed to suspend a brother for unmasonic conduct of any description whatever, except for the non-payment of dues, unless it be upon written charges and specifications, made out and filed with the Secretary, whose duty it shall be to furnish the accused brother with a copy thereof, if of a nature to be reduced to writing, at least ten days previous to the trial, with notice of the time and place of trial. It is the privilege of the accused to take any proof or testimony to be heard in evidence, that he may desire, upon giving three days' notice to the Master of the ▭; and in all cases, when the hearing comes on, the whole of the testimony shall be reduced to writing, and be carefully preserved by the Secretary of the ▭: *Provided*, That when a brother, charged as

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aforesaid, shall abscond, proceedings may be had in his absence without notice.

24. Any brother feeling himself aggrieved by the decision of the ▭, pronounced against him, may, at any time within one year thereafter, take an appeal to the Grand ▭, and on his application, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of such ▭ to make and forward to the Grand Secretary, a certified copy of the proceedings had in his case, with the original testimony, as far as the same shall have been reduced to writing.

25. These Rules and Regulations may be altered or amended in the same manner as prescribed for the alteration or amendment of the By-Laws of the Grand ▭.

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RULES OF ORDER

FOR

Conducting the Business of the Grand Lodge.

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1. The Most Worshipful Grand Master shall take the chair every day precisely at the hour to which the Grand ▭ shall have adjourned on the preceding day, when the journal shall be read, to the end that any mistake or improper entries may be corrected.

2. During the hours of business, the members are required to keep their seats and observe strict order and decorum; and no member shall leave the hall without leave, or absent himself from the service of the Grand ▭, unless he have permission, or be sick and unable to attend.

3. When the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, or presiding officer, rises, all debate shall cease, and there shall be strict silence.

4. Every member shall stand when he speaks, and shall address himself, with respect and decorum, to the presiding officer for the time being. He shall not be permitted to say anything which will have a tendency wantonly to influence or irritate, as the sole objects of debate are to enlighten and expand the mind on the subject under consideration, to elicit truth, and to conscientiously endeavor to have everything done decently and in order.

5. The M.·. W.·. Grand Master, or the presiding officer, shall be the judge of order and debate. When his decision is fairly questionable, an appeal may be made to the Grand ▭; but such appeal must be neither captious, contemptuous, or

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contumacious. Truth, justice and candor must be the desiderata in such appeal.

6. No member shall be permitted to speak more than twice upon any subject, unless it is merely to explain, without permission from the Grand ▭. If any member is twice called to order at any meeting, for transgressing these rules, and is guilty of a third offence of the same nature, the presiding officer shall peremptorily order him to leave the Grand ▭; and he may further be amenable to reprimand, suspension or expulsion, as the Grand ▭ shall deem proper.

7. When a question is put, it shall be the duty of every member present to vote, unless, for good cause, the Grand ▭ may excuse him; but no member shall vote upon any question, in the event of which he is personally interested.

8. No motion shall be entertained, until it is seconded; and there shall no debate be had thereon, until it is stated by the chair.

9. Every motion shall be reduced to writing, with the name of the mover indorsed thereon, if the chair or Grand Secretary desire it.

10. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to lay on the table, to commit, to amend, or to postpone indefinitely; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are here arranged, and the motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and be decided without debate.

11. Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be divided if it comprehends questions so distinct, that one being taken away, the rest may stand entire for the decision of the Grand ▭. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible.

12. When a motion has been once made and carried, in the affirmative or negative, it shall be in order for any member of the majority to move for a re-consideration thereof.

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13. All questions shall be propounded in the order in which they were moved, except in filling up blanks, when the largest sum and longest time shall be put first.

14. No report shall be received from any of the committees of the Grand ▭, unless the same be reduced to writing and signed by at least a majority of the members thereof.

15. No committee shall sit, during the sitting of the Grand ▭, without special leave.

16. These Rules of Order may be altered, added to, or abrogated, at any meeting of the Grand ▭, two-thirds of the members present concurring therein.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIRST ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF COLORADO,

HELD IN DENVER, DECEMBER 10, A. L. 5861.

The First Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand ▭ of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Territory of Colorado, was held at the city of Denver, commencing Tuesday, the 10th day of December, A. D. 1861, A. L. 5861, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Officers present as follows:

M.·. W.·. J. M. CHIVINGTON, Grand Master.
R.·. W.·. S. M. ROBBINS, Deputy Grand Master.
M. C. WHITE, Senior Grand Warden, *pro tem.*
O. B. BROWN, Junior Grand Warden, *pro tem.*
WM. TRAIN MUIR, Grand Treasurer, *pro tem.*
R.·. W.·. O. A. WHITTEMORE, Grand Secretary.
J. E. DAWSON, Senior Grand Deacon, *pro tem.*
L. POLLARD, Junior Grand Deacon, *pro tem.*
WM. MCCONNELL, Grand Tyler, *pro tem.*

The Most Worshipful Grand ▭ was then opened in ample form.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master then appointed the following committee on Credentials, viz: Bros. A. O. Whittemore, Wm. T. Muir and M. C. White.

The Most Worshipful Grand Master then appointed Bro. J. E. Dawson a committee to examine visiting brethren.

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The ▭ was then called from labor to meet again at 7½ o'clock P. M.

7½ O'CLOCK P. M.

The M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ was called to labor, when the committee on Credentials reporting a quorum of ▭ not present, the ▭ was called from labor to meet again on Wednesday, the 11th inst., at 3 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 11TH DEC., 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The ▭ resumed labor, when the committee on Credentials made the following

REPORT:

To the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado:

Your committee on Credentials would report the following ▭ represented as follows, to wit:

Golden City ▭ No. 1, J. E. Dawson, proxy for S.·. W.·.

Summit ▭ No. 2, M. C. White, W.·. M.·., O. B. Brown, S.·. W.·., J. Thatcher, J.·. W.·.

Rocky Mountain ▭ No. 3, Chas. F. Holly, proxy for W.·. M.·. and J.·. W.·

And find that the members above named are entitled to seats in this body.

Fraternally submitted,

O. A. WHITTEMORE, } *Committee.*
M. C. WHITE, }

On motion, the report of the committee as submitted, was accepted.

The M.·. W.·. Grand Master then appointed the following committee on Charters and Dispensations: Bros. O. A. Whittemore, C. F. Holly and J. E. Dawson.

The committee on Charters and Dispensations made the following

REPORT:

To the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge of Colorado:

The undersigned, committee on Charters and Dispensations, beg leave to report as follows, to wit:

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That they have examined the return of Summit ▭ No. 2, and find it correct.

Rocky Mountain ▭ No. 3, and Golden City ▭ No. 1, make no returns.

The committee find that the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Kansas has chartered a ▭ within this jurisdiction, of Nevada City, under the name of Nevada ▭ No. 36, which has been surrendered to us to be exchanged for one from this ▭. No work has been done under the Kansas charter, issued, we presume, in ignorance of the existence of this Graud ▭.

We recommend that the application of the ▭ at Nevada City be accepted, and that a charter be granted to said ▭ upon such surrender, without charter fee.

We recommend further, that the ▭ making no returns to this body be allowed ninety days from our adjournment to file their returns with the Grand Secretary.

We recommend that a charter be granted to Denver ▭, working under dispensation granted by the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, Oct. 24th, 1861, their work being found correct.

We also find the work of Chivington ▭ to be correct under dispensation granted by the M.·. W.·. Grand Master, Sept. 19th, 1861, and we therefore recommend that a charter be granted to said ▭.

Respectfully submitted,

O. A. WHITTEMORE,
CHAS. F. HOLLY,
JAS. E. DAWSON,
} *Committee.*

On motion, the report of the committee was received and adopted.

On motion of Bro. C. F. Holly, it was

Resolved, That Nevada ▭ No. 36 be admitted to representation in this body, and that the officers therefrom present, be authorized to take their seats therein as such.

The committee on Credentials then made the following additional

REPORT:

The committee on Credentials beg leave to report Bros. Andrew Mason, Master, and L. W. Chase, Junior Warden, of Nevada ▭ No. 4, as present with correct credentials and in their seats by act of this Grand ▭.

The M.·. W.·. Grand Master then announced the following regular

COMMITTEES:

On Accounts—Bros. J. Thatcher, L. W. Chase and C. F. Holly.

On Foreign Correspondence—Bros. A. Mason, J. E. Dawson and M. C. White.

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On Ways and Means—Bros. O. A. Whittemore, A. Mason and O. B. Brown.

Charity—Bros. S. M. Robbins, C. F. Holly and A. Mason.

Grievances—Bros. Holly, Mason and White.

Unfinished Business—Bros. Chase, Dawson and Thatcher.

Pay Roll—Bros. White, Chase and Whittemore.

Masonic Jurisprudence—Bros. Mason, Holly and Brown.

School Fund—Bros. Chase, Dawson and Thatcher.

The M.·. W.·. Grand Master then delivered the following, his

ANNUAL ADDRESS:

To the Most Worshipful, the Grand □ of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons:

BRETHREN:—But few things have occurred during our short existence which require to be noticed in my annual communication to you.

Two dispensations have been granted by me for new □, one to Bro. Allyn Weston and others, at Central City, whose petition came recommended by Golden City □ No. 1.

The other was from Bro. Blake, and the members of the old Auraria □, U. D. from the Grand □ of Kansas, who in the true spirit of fraternal brotherhood, surrendered their authority to the M.·. W.·. Grand Lodge of Kansas, and asked for a dispensation from your jurisdiction until your present meeting.

Both of the □, it is to be presumed, will be here with their work and By-Laws for your inspection, and asking for charters, which I recommend be granted to them.

I learn that there has been a □ chartered at Nevada City by our sister, the M.·. W.·. Grand □ of Kansas.

This would seem to be an anomaly in Masonry, but when it is known that the Grand □ of Kansas were not advised of our existence as a grand body, the matter is sufficiently explained.

I will here state, however, that at an early day after the adjournment of the Grand □ at Golden City, I wrote to Grand Master Fairchild at Atchison, Kansas.

I presume that he either did not receive my letter, or inadvertently neglected to lay the matter before the Grand □ of Kansas, for I cannot believe that the Most Worshipful Grand □ of Kansas, (or any other Grand □ of Masons,) would, knowing of our existence, interfere in our jurisdiction; such a course would be subversive of every principle held sacred by Masonry, and destructive of that "peace and harmony" which is the "strength and support of all institutions, especially this of ours."

The brethren of Nevada □ will, in all probability, be here to surrender their charter from the Grand □ of Kansas, and to take one from this Grand □.

If so, I would most cordially recommend that you grant their request.

I may add in this connection that brethren from Canon City have sent a

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petition, which is in my hands, praying for a dispensation to meet and work as a legal ▭, and your attention is respectfully called to their petition.

A liberal charter for our Grand ▭ was passed by the recent session of our Territorial Legislature, and all that we have to do is henceforth to be temperate, discreet, vigilant, aye, jealous and zealous for the honor and reputation of the craft, guarding well the door of admission to her sacred temples, to which, if we do, we have a future as bright in prospect as it will be glorious in reality.

Allow me to say, brethren, such are my engagements that I do not believe it best, if it were your choice, to re-elect me to the position I now hold.

Yet, in all time to come, I am with you in every good work, and I shall not, amid the vicissitudes of life, permit myself to forget the honor conferred upon me by being made the first Grand Master of the Grand ▭ of Colorado.

Brethren, accept my thanks for that uniform courtesy and kindness which I have received at the hands of all during my brief term of office, and to you I would say, look to the angel Masonry, its unerring finger will point you steadily to the path of brotherly love, relief and truth.

J. M. CHIVINGTON.

On motion of Bro. Holly, it was

Resolved, That the address of the M.·. W.·. Grand Master be published with the proceedings.

R.·. W.·. Deputy Grand Master, S. M. Robbins, then submitted the following, his

ANNUAL REPORT:

To the Most Worshipful Grand ▭ of Colorado:

I have to report as my official acts during the term I have had the pleasure of acting as Deputy Grand Master of Masons of Colorado, that I have granted dispensations to pass and raise Bro. Nicholas Thede, August 3, 1861; to raise Bro. A. R. Peters, September 7, 1861; to raise Bro. A. K. Bleim, October 23, 1861, all of Summit ▭ No. 2. It was made to appear to the undersigned that each case was one of emergency.

Fraternally submitted,

S. M. ROBBINS,
D.·. G.·. M.·. of Masons of Colorado.

Bro. Holly moved to amend Section 2 of the By-Laws, by striking out all after the word "at" and inserting the following words: "such time and place as shall be previously elected by the Grand ▭."

By unanimous consent, the ▭ took instant action, when, on vote, the amendment was carried.

The ▭ was then called from labor, to meet at 7½ o'clock P. M.

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7½ O'CLOCK P. M.

The ▭ resumed labor when, on motion of Bro. Robbins, it was

Resolved, That the Master and Wardens of Denver ▭ No. 5 be admitted to seats as members of this Grand ▭, and to participate in its proceedings.

Bro. Holly offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That on application of Rocky Mountain ▭ No. 3, the M.·. W.·. Grand Master be requested to pass and raise Bro. B. L. Sanford, who has been initiated in that ▭, as requested by the representatives of that ▭.

Bro. Robbins moved to amend by striking out all after the word "resolved," which was carried.

Bro. Pfouts, of Denver ▭, moved that to-morrow, at 10 o'clock A. M., we proceed to election of officers for the ensuing year; carried.

The ▭ was then called from labor to meet again to-morrow, at 10 o'clock A. M.

THURSDAY, 12TH, 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

The ▭ resumed labor, the R.·. W.·. D.·. Grand Master presiding, when the ▭ proceeded to the election of officers with the following result:

M.·. W.·. J. M. CHIVINGTON, Grand Master.
ANDREW MASON, R.·. W.·. D.·. Grand Master.
P. S. PFOUTS, R.·. W.·. Senior Grand Warden.
M. C. WHITE, R.·. W.·. Junior Grand Warden.
O. B. BROWN, R.·. W.·. Grand Treasurer.
O. A. WHITTEMORE, R.·. W.·. Grand Secretary.

Bro. Pfouts moved that the next Regular Communication of the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado be held in Denver City, on the first Monday in October next.

Bro. Whittemore moved to amend, by inserting "Parkville" in place of "Denver," and the time, "first Monday in November."

Bro. Holly moved to amend the amendment by inserting "Gold Hill," and the time, "first Monday in December next," which was lost.

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The amendment of Bro. Whittemore was lost. The question recurring on the original motion, it was lost.

Bro. Pfouts moved that the next Annual Communication of the Grand ▭ of Colorado be held in Denver, on the first Monday in November, A. D. 1862.

Bro. Holly moved to amend by making the place Golden City.

Bro. Brown moved to amend the amendment by making the place Central City, which was carried.

The amendment, as amended, was lost.

The original motion was lost.

Bro. White moved that the next Annual Communication be held at Colorado City, on the first Monday in November next.

Bro. Holly moved to amend, by inserting Golden City; amendment lost.

Bro. Pfouts moved to lay on the table; carried.

On motion of Bro. Holly, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Communication of this Grand ▭ be held at Central City, on the first Monday in November next.

Bro. Blake moved to amend rule 4 of the Rules and Regulations for the government of subordinate ▭▭, so as to read "and if any ▭ under this jurisdiction shall cease to meet for three successive months, it shall forfeit its charter."

Which motion was seconded by Bros. Mason, Pfouts, Chase, Holly and White.

The ▭ was then called from labor to meet this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The ▭ resumed labor, the M.·. W.·. J. M. Chivington, Grand Master, presiding.

When, on motion of Bro. Pfouts, the officers elect were installed in due form.

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The following officers were then appointed by the M.·. W.·. Grand Master:

W. A. KENNY, R.·. W.·. Grand Chaplain.
RICHARD SOPRIS, R.·. W.·. Grand Orator.
ALLYN WESTON, R.·. W.·. Grand Lecturer.
J. E. DAWSON, R.·. W.·. Grand Marshal.
C. H. BLAKE, W.·. Senior Grand Deacon.
L. W. CHASE, W.·. Junior Grand Deacon.
J. W. RATLIFF, Grand Tyler.
E. S. GLOTFELTER, Grand Steward.
C. W. SMITH, Grand Sword Bearer.
JOSEPH THATCHER, WM. MCCONNELL, } Grand Pursuivants.

Who were then duly installed.

Bro. White moved to amend Section 19 of the By-Laws, as follows: Add after the words "and for each member the sum of one dollar and fifty cents," the words "unless the same shall be remitted by the ▭ for good cause shown."

The amendment was lost.

Bro. White also moved to amend section 22 by striking out "and it is hereby made the imperative duty of the Master," and insert in lieu thereof, "the Master has the authority with the consent of the ▭," which motion prevailed.

On motion of Bro. Pfouts, it was

Resolved, That Bros. Mason, White, Weston and Whittemore be appointed a committee to revise the By-Laws and Rules of Order of the Grand ▭ of Colorado, and make a report on the first day of the next Annual Communication of this Grand ▭.

On motion of Bro. Robbins, Bro. Pfouts was added to that committee.

The committee to prepare a pay roll, then made the following

REPORT:

To the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado Territory:

Your committee appointed to report the pay roll for delegates in attendance at the Annual Communication of the Grand ▭, held December, 1861, at Denver City, respectfully report:

GOLDEN CITY ▭ NO. 1.

Entitled to pay for one delegate as follows:

Mileage going to and returning from Grand ▭, 32 miles, at the rates allowed by the Grand ▭	$ 1 92
Per diem 3 days	4 50

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ROCKY MOUNTAIN ▭ NO. 3.

Entitled to pay for one delegate:

Mileage 90 miles	5 40
Per diem 2 days	3 00

NEVADA ▭ NO. 4.

Entitled to pay for two delegates:

Mileage 85 miles each	10 20
Per diem 2 days each	6 00

DENVER ▭ NO. 5.

Entitled to pay for two delegates:

Per diem 2 days each	6 00

SUMMIT ▭ NO. 2.

Entitled to pay for three delegates:

Mileage each 200 miles	36 00
Per diem each 3 days	13 50

All of which is respectfully submitted.

M. C. WHITE, *Chairman.*
L. W. CHASE.

The report of the committee was received and adopted.

The committee on Accounts submitted the following

REPORT:

To the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado:

Your committee on Accounts would respectfully report that they have examined the records of accounts of the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado, and find that there has been no return from any of the ▭ under its jurisdiction except Summit ▭ No. 2, and Chivington ▭ U. D.

Summit ▭, whose report is herewith submitted, reports that there is due and owing from them to the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska, while working under its jurisdiction, the sum of forty-seven dollars, and ask that the same amount be remitted by this M.·. W.·. Grand ▭, in order that they may not be compelled to pay the amount twice.

There will then be due this M.·. W.·. Grand ▭, from Summit ▭ No. 2, the sum of $54.50.

Your committee would most respectfully recommend that the report of Summit ▭ be accepted, and the amount due the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska, be remitted, in order that they may not have the amount to pay twice.

Your committee also recommend that the ▭ that have not made reports be allowed ninety days to make their returns to the Grand Secretary.

Your committee have examined the accounts of the Grand Secretary, and find that there has been received for the use of the ▭ from

Chivington ▭, for dispensation	$25 00
Summit ▭ returns	54 50
	79 50

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PAID OUT.

For blank dispensations	$ 6 00	
For printing proceedings of Grand ▭	19 25	
For ▭ seal	18 00	
		43 25
Leaving still in the hands of the Secretary		36 25
We also find still due for printing proceedings		30 75

No account has been rendered by the Treasurer, and we find from the accounts of the Secretary that no money has been paid to him.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. THATCHER, *Chairman.*

Report of the Secretary of Summit ▭ No. 2, of A. F. and A. M., Parkville, C. T.:

To the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado:

At a called meeting of Summit ▭ No. 2, A. F. and A. M., held at the hall of Summit ▭, in Parkville, Dec. 4th, A. L. 5861, A. D. 1861, it was

Resolved, That the dues and Grand ▭ dues of all members of this ▭ who are paying dues and Grand ▭ dues to ▭ in the States be remitted.

Sixteen members of Summit ▭ are paying ▭ and Grand ▭ dues to other ▭, whose dues are remitted in accordance with the above resolution.

It was also

Resolved, That as Summit ▭ was chartered by the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska, and the charter members and those initiated while under the jurisdiction of the same are required to pay Grand ▭ dues and fees to said M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska: That our Secretary be required to report the names of the members paying dues to said ▭, and the initiations, while under such jurisdiction, to the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado Territory, and that our delegates request of the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado Territory, under whose jurisdiction we now are, to remit the dues for the work done while under the jurisdiction of the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska, also the Grand ▭ dues of the charter members of Summit ▭ for the year 1861.

The Secretary, therefore, would report that there were seven initiations while under the jurisdiction of the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska, six of whom were passed, and five were raised and became members of Summit ▭, under the jurisdiction of the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado.

Summit ▭ is indebted to the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska for the fees of the five members initiated while under the jurisdiction of said M.·. W.·. Grand ▭, and also to the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado, for membership dues, unless the request of Summit ▭ be granted by the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado.

The twenty-four original members of Summit ▭ are indebted to the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Nebraska for Grand ▭ dues, and also to the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado, unless the request of Summit ▭ be granted as above.

Trusting that the prayer of Summit ▭ will be granted, the Secretary returns as the Grand ▭ dues of Summit ▭, $54.50, being for ten initiations,

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and three admissions, while under the jurisdiction of the M.·. W.·. Grand ▭ of Colorado.

Fraternally submitted,

O. A. WHITTEMORE,
Secretary Summit ▭ No. 2.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Grand Tyler be paid one dollar and fifty cents per day for his services.

On motion of Bro. Holly, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand ▭ be tendered to Denver ▭ No. 5, for the free use of their commodious hall during the present session, together with the incidental conveniences attached thereto.

No further business appearing, the ▭ was closed in peace and harmony.

J. M. CHIVINGTON, *Grand Master*.
O. A. WHITTEMORE, *Grand Secretary*.

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RETURNS

FROM

SUBORDINATE LODGES,

ENTERED DECEMBER 10, 1861.

GOLDEN CITY ▭, NO. 1, GOLDEN CITY.

OFFICERS.

Wm. Train Muir, W. M.	Ira Quimby, J. W.	John A. Moore, Sec'y.
L. W. Frary, S. W.	John M. Ferrill, Treas.	S. B. Williams, S. D.

MEMBERS.

Eli Carter, P. M.	Reuben Borton,	Daniel McCleery,
Isaac E. Hardy, P. M.	John M. Saxton,	Samuel F. Shaffer,
W. L. Rothrick,	S. M. Breath,	J. B. Hendry,
Fox Diefendorf,	E. B. Smith,	Hiram F. Ford.
James E. Dawson,		

FELLOWCRAFT.

D. G. Dargin.

Initiated, 2; passed, 2; raised, 1; dimitted, 1; number of members, 18.

SUMMIT ▭ NO. 2, PARKVILLE.

OFFICERS.

James Ewing, W. M.	George Oldham, Treas.	L. Pollard, J D.
D. P. Sparks, S. W.	O. A. Whittemore, Sec'y.	H. E. Depp, Tyler.
M. C. White, J. W.	Joshua Miller, S. D.	

MEMBERS.

S. M. Robbins, D. G. M.	Nelson Toncray,	J. D. Thomas,
J. H. Depp,	P. Asbury,	Nicholas Thede,
D. T. Robley,	Wm. Turner,	Peter Valiton,
John L. Lewis,	John Thompson,	A. R. Peters,
F. E. Lewis,	M. J. Walsh,	W. M. Campbell,
Geo. Oswald,	O. B. Brown,	Frank Meyer,
G. W. Gillson,	N. Berry,	A. K. Blim,
C. C. Carpenter,	J. N. Helstrom,	John Coon,
George Reeder,	R. S. Morris,	J. Thatcher.

FELLOWCRAFTS.

Hans Walf,	W. A. Williamson,	H. B. Haskell,
Lewis Behm,	Wm. Cox,	

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ENTERED APPRENTICES.

Harmon Duncan, D. Stogsdall, John Mentzer.
G. E. Kittle,

Number of admissions, 3; initiations, 10; passed, 13; raised, 8; dimitted, 4; suspended, 1; rejected, 4; number of members, 31.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN ▭ NO. 3, GOLD HILL.

OFFICERS.

J. M. Holt, W. M. C. F. Holly, Treas. A G. Raynor, J. D.
C. W. Smith, S. W. S. S. Wemott, Sec'y. H. A. Butler, Tyler.
E. S. Glotfelter, J. W. H. J. Reuber, S. D.

MEMBERS.

J. M. Chivington, M. W. G. M. Henry Blake, M. G. Smith, C. J. Goss, —— Barney.

ENTERED APPRENTICE.

B. N. Sanford.

Number of initiations, 1; died, 1; number of members, 13.

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