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Grand Master's Message

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September brings the end of summer, back to school, and Labor Day. Labor Day began in 1882, and then congress made it a federal holiday in 1894. Most communities hold parades to celebrate the esprit de corps of American labor. Truly the work ethic, the ambition, and the character of the American worker has contributed to the greatness of our country.

As we celebrate the American worker, we should remember that "greatness is a twofold achievement." We need leaders, employers, or management with Vision to provide the direction. Both workers and those who manage should be made up of dedicated, determined, and visionary people working together as a team to accomplish greatness. One cannot exist without the other.

September also marks the first month of the LXV (65th) Triennial. Audentes fortuna iuvat (fortune favors the brave/bold) is the theme of this Triennium. Just as the American worker has made reality of the designs laid upon the trestle board by management, so we as Knights Templar leaders need to be bold in our designs upon the trestle board of Templary, to maintain our heritage and to enhance our relevance in the 21st century. Ten years ago, we anxiously awaited this new millennium. Today we are living it, and we need to boldly accept the challenge.

In the same way that management and labor need to work together for the good of both, we as Knights Templar, both leadership and membership, need to work together to enhance and advance Templary, to continue our heritage, and to provide a bright future for those who will come after us.

As we begin this new Triennium, as Grand Master, I look forward to working with the Grand Encampment officers, the Grand Commandery officers, and you, our members, in boldly securing our best destiny.

Faternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William H. Koon, II". The signature is written in a cursive style.



William H. Koon, II, GCT
Grand Master

From the Grand Recorder's Office...



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The 2009 Grand Encampment Department Conferences are open to all Sir Knights.
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IMPORTANT NOTE: As of December 31st, current **monthly reports become obsolete.**

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Prelate's Chapel

by
Robert Cave
Right Eminent Grand Prelate
of the
Grand Encampment

“Charity and hospitality are the grand characteristics of this valiant and magnanimous Order” we are told in the Order of the Temple. Both charity and hospitality could be summed up under one word; “love.” We need to love to do either of the two. But this love is not the sentimental love that is associated with the love between man and woman or the love of a child. Such love that would encompass both charity and hospitality is a sacrificial love that demands nothing in return; even the joy that comes with such a love. But for the purpose of this article, let’s keep charity and hospitality separate and look at the grand characteristic of hospitality.

Hospitality, according to the *Interpreter’s Dictionary of the Bible*, is the “Entertainment of a stranger (sojourner) as a guest, recognized as a sacred duty throughout the Mediterranean world, and more heartily and stringently kept than many a written law.” This seems to be a simple enough definition, but I wonder if there are not two sides to the act of hospitality; the side that extends hospitality and the side that receives it.

For instance, take the case of Levi, the tax collector, and Jesus which we read about in the Gospels. Jesus saw Levi sitting at the tax office as he passed by, and he said to Levi “follow me.” So Levi got up and followed Jesus and then showed hospitality by inviting Jesus into his house for dinner. While Jesus was having dinner with Levi and other tax collectors, the scribes and Pharisees criticized him for doing so because Levi, as a tax collector, was on the same social level as prostitutes or sinners.

So on the one side, Levi showed hospitality to Jesus by inviting Jesus to dinner, and Jesus showed the other side by accepting the hospitality from one who had a social standing that was less than reputable. Jesus could have easily declined the invitation to dinner because he had nothing in common with the tax collectors.

Now, if we apply all of this to Templary and even to the wider aspect of the Masonic fraternity, wouldn’t it be wonderful and even fulfill our precepts if we had the love to offer hospitality to a brother and the love to accept it from one whom we don’t necessarily agree with or even like. How often do we hold ourselves aloof from a Sir Knight or a brother because of some perceived slight, oversight, dispute, or injustice in the past and let it color all of our fraternal intercourse. How good and pleasant it would be to offer hospitality and to break bread with some aggrieved brother or to accept the offer from someone if offered to us. If we were to do this, then the grand characteristic of hospitality would become more than words we hear in the Order of the Temple. The characteristic of hospitality would become a meaningful part of our lives and of our fraternity.

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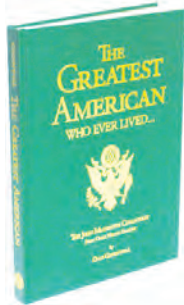
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741 **Raymond Douglas Steele**
 Winchester Commandery No. 12
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742 **Audy S. Bishop**
 Clarksville Commandery No. 08
 Clarksville, TN 19-Jun-2009

A Chat With The Managing Editor

I promised you in July that we would continue the story of the templar trials last month, but because we had too much material, I didn't have room. We have continued on page 12 of this issue just where we left off in July.

I trust that those of you who attended had a wonderful time in Roanoke. I have never been an elected Grand Commandery officer, but I have only missed one Triennial since 1981 and always find it most enjoyable, especially since I don't have to worry about how I should vote. My lady seems to enjoy them as much as I do. At any rate, its time to get started with the work of a new triennium. I believe that our Grand Encampment officer line has great plans for Templary during the next three years and that we are going to see some interesting things happen.

From time to time, I receive, in response to articles we have published, correspondence from those who are apparently posing as Knights Templar. They are usually addressed to the author of the article in care of the editor. The reason I assume that they are not from Sir Knights is that the language used and the tone of the comments are neither Knightly nor gentlemanly. These find their way to the little round file beside my desk; usually before I finish reading them. Differing opinions in the form of letters either to the editor or to the authors are welcome, because a little controversy makes us all think and consider different points of view. However, we will not lower the standards of this publication below the standards of conduct we expect of our brethren in terms of courtesy or of language used.

If you want to write a letter to the editor or to the author, I will assume that you are giving consent to publish it in the letters to the editor section unless you expressly ask me not to publish it. E-mail is always preferable to paper mail. All-in-all, I believe that the letters to the editor page has been a great success. I am getting many more letters than we have room to publish, and most everyone seems to be enjoying reading what the other Sir Knights and ladies are thinking. Please, keep them coming in!

We continue to try different types of articles, and it is very important for us to hear what types of articles you like and dislike, so use this as an opportunity to share that information with us. If you see me or another member of our editorial review board, or even one of the Grand Encampment officers at a Commandery meeting somewhere, please take that opportunity to let us know what you want to see in this magazine.

A brief comment about the cover photo. Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris is located on the extreme end of an island. On the other extreme end, just out of frame of the cover photo to the right is the spot where Jacques DeMolay was burned at the stake. See photo of the marker to the right.

See you at the department meetings this year!

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Letters to the Editor



I really like the new format in color! I do miss the old font for the title. I think the graphics just needed to be updated on the title. The history articles by Dafoe are great, and I enjoy reading the histories of our Commanderies and the old Triennials. The updates on current events and upcoming events are important. Keep them all coming!

This is a resource tool for us Knights Templar. Overall, a longer publication with more pages would be better. Color is great but not everything needs to be in color. If money is a problem, do we need to see the same officer photos 12 times per year in color? New officer photos definitely use color. I think if you balance your color articles with your black and white history articles, you can keep costs down by balancing your use of color. A good example of balance was in the new issue page 35. All Classifieds would be nice as a resource. I'm not saying reprint the same unpaid ads every issue. Maybe have one free ad a year? Then for more do cents or \$ per word in knight voices. Knight Voices could be used for more than just buy & sell but also fraternal services. I know many of my 70+ year old brother Sir Knights are not using computers, and that's most of my Commandery. Something your advertisers should know we don't all buy online! If we forget to be a fraternity first, how are we going to stay strong as a fraternity and keep our charities strong? This publication is important; let's make the best overall use of it.

I have a question for the Grand Encampment. Many of us younger mem-knight templar

bers are wondering why the skull and bones were done away with (Aprons regalia etc.) and if it's permitted to come back by The Grand Encampment. We were disappointed to find all the stuff that (may I say looked COOL, AWE-SOME!) in the old photo's of my great grandfather and other Sir Knights is no longer used.

Fraternally Yours,
Sir Knight EJR

The reference above is, I believe, to the March issue and came in from the web site. Concerning costs, the number of pages is a large cost factor. The actual number of color images has virtually no impact.

Concerning unpaid advertising, if we were to charge enough just to recoup our costs, it would cost about \$3 per word. We provide them as a service under a certain very restricted set of guidelines. The rules are sort of simple. If a transaction generated in an unpaid advertisement results in a payment being made to the one who sent us the ad, all net proceeds from that transaction must go to one of the Grand Encampment charities. Otherwise there is no charge, and they are published as space permits. If someone wants to advertise their business in the magazine, they will have to pay the commercial rates which are available via e-mail from me.

I'll let the Grand Encampment officers address the regalia issues – I just work here.

Thanks for sharing your ideas!

The Ed.

Just the facts, Ma'm

A Continuing Analysis of the Mystery of the Trials of the Ancient Templars

by

Sir Knight John L. Palmer, KCT

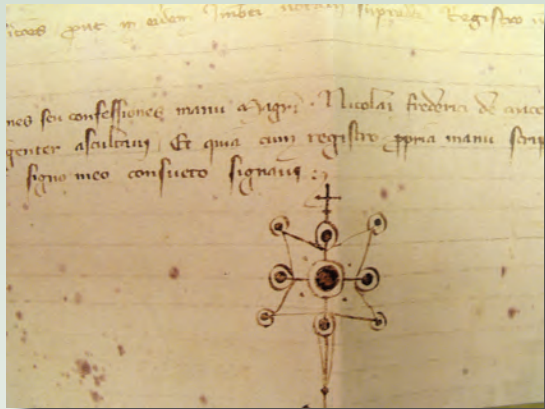
Managing Editor

Although there were really no "Ma'm's" involved, I promised you that we would now take a look at the content of the actual *Chinon Parchment*. This document, in many ways, reads very much like a modern trial transcript. It begins by stating the presiding officials' names, the time and place, the defendants, and the other court officials. The presiding officials were named as Berengar, a Cardinal Presbyter; Stephanus, another Cardinal Presbyter; and Landolf, a Cardinal Deacon, and information is given about the jurisdiction of each. They then begin to establish the authority by which the proceeding was authorized. It is stated that they had been charged by Clement "...wishing and intending to know the pure, complete, and uncompromised truth from the leaders of the Order, namely..." followed by the names of the defendants. There were five defendants as follows:

"Brother" Jacques de Molay, Grand Master of the Order of Knights Templar;

"Brother" Raymbaud de Caron, Preceptor of the Commanderies of the Templar Knights in the Outremer;

"Brother" Hugo de Perraud, Preceptor of France;

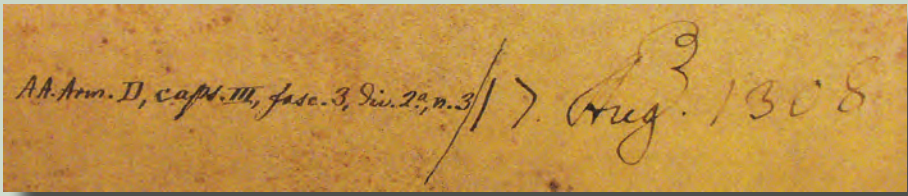


"Brother" Geoffroy de Gonneville, Preceptor of Aquitania and Poitou; and Geoffroy of Charny, Preceptor of Normandy.

These Preceptors would have been the commanding officers of their respective jurisdictions and would have reported directly to the Grand Master. These were obviously most of the key leaders of the entire organization.

The initial date at the top of the document is given as August 17-20, 1308, and it was later stated that Raymbaud was brought before them on the 17th day of August "...in the year of our Lord 1308... the 3rd year of the pontificate of the said Pope Clement V..."

The actual testimony was given one



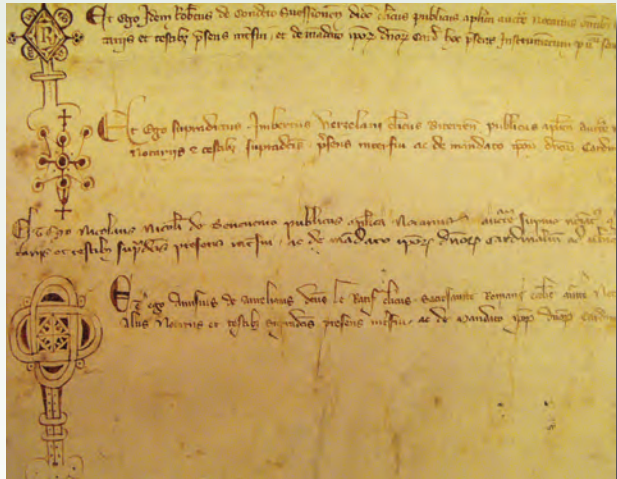
Knight at a time, oaths administered, questions asked and answered, requests made by the defendants for absolution of any sins indicated, absolution given by the Cardinals, and another oath of allegiance to the Catholic faith given. The defendants were called in the following order; Raymbaud de Caron, Geoffroy of Charny, and Geoffroy de Gonville on the 17th; Hugo de Perraud on the 19th; and DeMolay on the 20th. On the 20th Geoffroy de Gonville and Hugo de Perraud were read their confession in their own native tongue and ratified the same. This may have meant that they did not read Latin; I am not sure why only these two were mentioned.

At the end of the document, each of the notary witnesses is named, and each of their statements certifying the accuracy of the transcript is written in detail along with their seals.

As far as I can tell, in each instance, the Knights confessed to any sins that the Cardinal had deemed them to have committed based on their testimony, denounced any heresy they had been deemed to have committed, asked for forgiveness and mercy, and were specifically granted absolution from the verdict of excommunication; this right to

grant absolution having been specifically granted to these Cardinals by the Pope for this proceeding. It does not appear that these Knights retracted any of the confessions they made at this trial. It does not appear that there was any torture administered during or in conjunction with this proceeding (although it appears that there may have been instances of torture when being questioned by the King's men). It does not appear that these men died under penalty of excommunication from the Church.

Next month we will look at exactly what questions were asked and the answers given by each Knight, and finally we will wrap up this series after a long year, by looking at some theories about why these Knights confessed to and may have done some of the things they confessed to having done.





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The space on these two pages is provided by the *Knight Templar* magazine to be used by the Grand Commanderies to communicate with the individual Sir Knights in their jurisdictions on a monthly basis. From time to time and for various reasons, we fail to receive any material from the editor of the state supplement for a given month. When this happens, we take the opportunity to offer you the information below. – The Ed.





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Knightly News

Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollar Check from Manchester Commandery No. 40 Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Tennessee

Through the efforts of Sir Knights Dale E. Loudermilk, KYCH, Recorder; Garry L. Carter, P.C.; and several other Sir Knights, Manchester Commandery No. 40, Manchester, Tennessee, presented a monumental check of \$6,500 for its donation to the 41st Annual Campaign of the KTEF at the 148th Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Tennessee. It should be noted that this was the sixth consecutive year that Manchester Commandery led the other Commanderies of the Grand Commandery of Tennessee in its donations to KTEF. Previous donations to the KTEF were \$6,000 to the 36th Annual Campaign, \$6,500 to the 37th Annual Campaign, \$6,688 to the 38th Annual Campaign, \$6,150 to the 39th Annual Campaign, and \$4,150 to the 40th Annual Campaign. With this year's \$6,500 check, Manchester Commandery has donated \$35,988 during the last six KTEF Annual Campaigns.



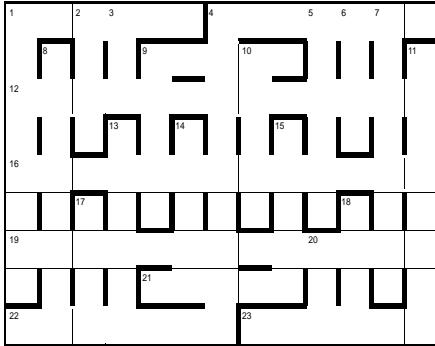
As in the past years, the primary source of this year's donation was the sale of lapel pins. This year Manchester Commandery No. 40 added a new Knights Templar/Blue Lodge lapel pin to its selection of unique lapel pins. In addition to the new Blue Lodge/Knights Templar lapel pin, they have for sale to Sir Knights lapel pins that depict their earlier Knights Templar/Blue Lodge lapel pin, the late 1800's Apron of the Knights Templar, the Order of Malta, the Knight Crusader of the Cross, the Mediterranean Pass, the Knight Templar chapeaux, the Arc of the Covenant, the past High Priest of the Arc of the Covenant, and the Order of the Silver Trowel. They even have Beauceant lapel pins that depict the Beauceant shield and the Beauceant standard.

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CRYPTIC PUZZLE

by Loki

Solution in Next Month's Issue



DOWN

1. Prudish rector began in swine-like manner (8)
2. Legionnaires standard for the Latin lawmakers, commoners of Rome (4)
3. Centaur carried third of Royal Arch emblems (3)
4. Stealing first cash drawer gets long sentence and fruit in oil (5,4)
5. Messiah who is in church route ... (6)
6. ...is twice an Egyptian deity (4)
7. Alfred getting a gun was frightening (8)
8. Multinational law enforcers between politicians sigularly (8)
9. Docks coworkers' accounts (5)
10. Comic on Las Vegas main street (5)
11. Pliant and obscene, without formicidae hooley, in prehistoric times (8)
13. Measure of Western metropolitan ricketiness (6)
14. Bald mascot decapitated Snoopy, e.g. (5)
15. Application of America epoch (5)
17. Indian deity calls Royal Arch "mother" (4)
18. Arm an offshoot (4)
20. Crusade begins, what a relief! (3)

ACROSS

1. Pilot's flying-side arm (6)
4. TV one-shot specification at #1 Alabama (7)
9. Stooge completely understood binary system (5)
12. Secret Templar trials involved Iraqi oil units (13)
16. Grand commander of modern Knights Templar folds origami lenses (13)
19. Champagne lit a spark Ling Wi never uncovered (9,4)
21. Sounds like the enemy wrote for Crusoe (5)
22. Calm down, car tag has "California" (7)
23. Burns' blackbird was, in core, ambisexual (6)

The author is a Knight Templar who follows Cryptic Crossword tradition by setting puzzles under a crucinym, choosing Loki, the Norse god of mischief. If you would like detailed instructions on how to solve Cryptic clues, Loki would be happy to oblige. Contact him at <okl.loki@gmail.com> or at 2501 W. Zia Rd., #6104; Santa Fe, NM 87505.



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The English Templars

by

Sir Knight William P. Arney

The Knights Templar in England enjoyed a unique and interesting existence. They were not as involved with the Holy Land as the Templars recruited on the continent but were more intimately involved with the ruling kings.

Immediately after the Council of Troyes (1128), Hugh de Payens, founder of the Order, traveled to Normandy where he met King Henry I of England. Henry held many lands in what we now call France, so it was not at all unusual to find him there. It should be noted that Richard the Lionheart, while king of England, spent only three weeks in the British Isles (where some Welshman killed him with an arrow). The *Anglo-Saxon Chronicle* tells us that Hugh de Payens received gold and silver from King Henry and then traveled to England and Scotland, where he “was received by all good men, and all gave him treasure.” Then Hugh returned to the Holy Land, and no source mentions the English Templars again until 1144, when, from the context of the source, they were firmly established.

When Henry I died in 1135, a civil war was fought for the English crown. King Steven sat on the throne by virtue of his marriage to William the Conqueror’s daughter but was challenged by Henry’s daughter Matilda and her husband, Goeffrey of Anjou. Their son, who would one day be Henry II, was two years old. At this time

primogeniture, or the practice of all rights and properties being inherited by the eldest son, was not firmly established in English royalty. William the Conqueror’s eldest son, Robert Curthose, first passed over for the crown by his younger brother William ‘Rufus’ in 1087, had gone off to the First Crusade in 1096 only to return and find his still younger brother, Henry I, already on the throne.

The English Templars fared quite well in this period, benefiting from the generosity of both sides in the civil war. Their first known land grant came from the personal property of King Steven’s wife, Matilda. She was the granddaughter of Eustace II, Duke of Boulogne. Eustace had saved the life of William the Conqueror at the Battle of Hastings, is pictured next to him on the Bayeaux Tapestry, and was rewarded with great land grants on the conquered island. It was from these family lands that Mathilde made her grants to the Templars. King Steven added to them.

The Templars’ English headquarters was originally at Holborn, just outside London’s crowded walls. Their most significant holdings at Temple Crossing were given to them by Queen Matilda, wife of King Steven, where their many adjacent holdings made for a strong and profitable early presence. The civil war ended in a treaty. King Steven’s only son had died, leaving him nothing to fight



Effigies in the Templar Round Church in London. Photo by Stephen Dafoe.

for. It was agreed that he would remain king until his death, when the crown would pass to Henry II, the grandson of Henry I. All three kings, Henry I, Steven, and Henry II supported the Templars with cash and land grants. During these early reigns, the Templars were to become a praetorian guard for the English royals. The English Master was always found at the side of the English king. Other Templar officers were left to deal with Templar business outside the reach of master and king. This arrangement continued right up to the fall of the Order in 1307.

A telling example of this came in 1161 during the reign of Henry II. Henry was at war, as usual, with Philip Augustus, king of France. Philip

was much younger than Henry, held much less property (and consequently, wealth), and was very ambitious. He had been making overtures of alliance to Henry's son, Richard, and was otherwise trying to undermine Henry's influence on the continent.

During a truce in the war, Henry and Philip agreed on a settlement of border areas between their holdings, in the Vexin, in eastern Normandy. The future of the Vexin area was to be determined by the marriage of Henry's son, also named Henry, and Philip's daughter, Margaret. Both those royals were but children at the time, so the truce seemed safe for years to come. But Philip's second wife, Constance of Castille, died in childbirth. Philip lost no time in



Henry II

using his eligible status to remarry into a powerful alliance. By marrying Adela of Blois, Philip gained control of both Blois and Champagne. When Hugh, Count of Troyes, left his wife to join the Templars in the Holy Land in 1125, he sold the county to his nephew, Theobald, Count of Blois. This united the lands of Blois and Champagne and made Theobald one of the richest men in Europe. But Theobald produced no male heirs. His daughter, Adela, brought it all to King Philip in the 1161 marriage. This Henry found less than pleasing.

The Vexin had been put in trust and occupied by the Templars, and the English Master, Richard of Hastings, managed the occupation of two crucial castles, Gisors and Neuchatel. At that same time, two cardinals contacted Henry II soliciting his support for the next pope, Alexander III. The

cardinals were unaware that Henry was already committed to supporting Alexander, but he let them believe that his support was dependent on their dispensation of his underage son's marriage. Once the marriage was accomplished, the English Templars promptly turned the castles over to Henry. It should be noted that the English Master, Richard of Hastings, was an appointment of Henry's. It was the custom of English kings to have great influence in the selection of the English Master who was usually from a loyal and prominent English family.

While Richard of Hastings was conspiring with Henry in Normandy, the English Templars were managing the most important land deal in their history. Their old headquarters at Holborn was no longer sufficient for their needs. They were able to sell the old property and acquire that famous piece of property that still bears their name and their church to this day at what is now known as Temple Bar in London. But their Master, being on the continent with his king, was unavailable to sign the necessary documents. So the French Master had to cross the English Channel to stand in his place and preside over the transfer of property. It is interesting that the Vexin castles could have just as easily been held in trust by the French Templars and their Master who certainly would not have accommodated Henry, while the English Master tended to his proper duties in England. It would appear that the French Templars did not enjoy the same loving relationship with the French king as the English did with theirs but rather concerned themselves much more with recruitment and support of the Holy Land. The French preference of Templar

duty over royal politics would become very problematic in 1307.

The information contained in this article can be found in *Records Of The Templars In England In The Twelfth Century, The Inquest Of 1185*. This is volume IX in the series of books published by the British Academy of London, the series entitled, *Records of the Social and Economic History of England and Wales*, first published in 1935.



Right: Temple Bruer in Lincolnshire

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Knights Templar Jewelry at the National Heritage Museum

by

Aimee E. Newell, Director of Collections
National Heritage Museum

In 1904, Boston resident Emma L. Heinold (b. 1860) attended the Knights Templar Triennial Conclave in San Francisco, California. Today we know this because a small souvenir pin, marked with her name and the name of her husband's Commandery, DeMolay Commandery, offers a visual reminder of her trip. Part of the collection of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, housed at the National Heritage Museum, this pin is one of thousands owned by the museum and the Grand Lodge that help to tell the story of American fraternal groups and their members. Founded in 1975 by the Scottish Rite Masons of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, the National Heritage Museum plans exhibitions, answers inquiries, and shares its collection with the public and with scholars.

In 1904, Boston's DeMolay Commandery boasted 774 members and received a dispensation to open a special conclave starting August 21 so that members could make a pilgrimage to the 29th Triennial Conclave in early September. According to the 1904 proceedings, the Grand Jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island was well-represented in California despite the distance. Nearly 600 Knights and 300 ladies attended including a group who took their own special train trip across the country "by various routes calculated to afford the largest amount of historical interest and the most beautiful scenery in knight templar



Knight Templar Ladies Pin for Emma L. Heinold, 1904, collection of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, GL2004.4575. Photograph by David Bohl.

the shortest possible space of time."

The Knight Templar jewelry at the National Heritage Museum can be divided into two broad groups – jewelry made to commemorate specific Commandery or conclave events and personal jewelry decorated with familiar symbols to signify membership and remind the wearer of his (or her) fraternal ties.

Perhaps the best-represented Conclave in this collection is the 1895 Triennial

nial which was held in Boston. Attended by over 20,000 Knights Templar from around the country, these badges and pins were a necessity for members and their wives to identify themselves and make new friends. An example of a "Ladies" badge from 1895 is seen here. In addition to the familiar Maltese cross, the badge includes an image of Boston

kly materials to catch the light and draw the eye. Below the horse is "Boston '95," leaving no doubt as to when it was made. The pin was made in Massachusetts, just outside Boston in Waltham, by the O'Hara Dial Company. Established around 1893, the company became a noted manufacturer of watch dials.



Knight Templar Ladies Badge, 1895, collection of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, GL2004.6335. Photograph by David Bohl.



Knight Templar Pin for St. Bernard Commandery, 1895, O'Hara Dial Company, Waltham, Massachusetts, collection of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, GL2004.6209.

harbor which was used repeatedly on badges and souvenirs for the Conclave.

While the host committee had its special badges, many Commanderies also provided pins to identify their members. A small pin for members of St. Bernard's Commandery in Boston shows a knight on horseback and is made with spar-

During the late 1800s, Knight Templar members had no lack of places to purchase jewelry decorated with symbols of the fraternity. A watch fob from about 1890, now in the National Heritage Museum collection, resembles the charms offered in the pages of a circa 1898 regalia catalog from Horstmann Brothers & Co. in Philadelphia. Priced from \$17 to \$20, these items undoubtedly made nice gifts and allowed the recipient to carry a reminder of the values he learned through his degree work. This particular fob (along with several other examples in

the collection) has Knight Templar symbols on one side but is decorated with the Scottish Rite double-headed eagle on the other. It was originally owned by Edgar L. Bills of Lowell, Massachusetts, who joined Penntucket Lodge in 1889.



Knight Templar and Scottish Rite Watch Fob, ca. 1890, gift of Leonel V. Porter in memory of Mrs. Eva Bills, National Heritage Museum, 98.026.2. Photograph by David Bohl.

Other types of personal Knight Templar jewelry represented in the Museum's collection are cuff links and rings. The examples shown here were donated to the museum by relatives of the original owners. In addition to helping us to document the lives of specific members, knight templar



Knight Templar Cuff Links, 1930-1950, gift of the family of Charles F. and Emma B. Call, National Heritage Museum, 2008.057.44a-b. Photograph by David Bohl.



Knight Templar Ring, 1942-1972, Kettell, Blake & Read, Boston, Massachusetts, Supreme Council Collection from Mr. and Mrs. Robert Faulkner in memory of William Foster Clark, National Heritage Museum, SC79.25.4a. Photograph by David Bohl.

these items offer examples of design aesthetics and manufacturing techniques.

Lapel pins were popular during the late 1800s and early 1900s judging by how many survive in the museum's collection. While many were made out of metal, regalia companies also fashioned fabric-covered ones with machine-embroidered symbols, as on the example shown on the next page. Like the watch shown on the next page, a similar lapel pin is advertised in an 1896 regalia catalog, this time from



Knight Templar Lapel Pin, 1880-1910, The M.C. Lilley Co., Columbus, Ohio, collection of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, GL2004.6596. Photograph by David Bohl.



Knights Templar Lord's Prayer Charm, 1880-1930, collection of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, GL2004.10046. Photograph by David Bohl.

M.C. Lilley & Co. in Columbus, Ohio. The Knight Templar “woven silk faced Buttonier” offered by that company sold for \$9 per gross, \$1 per dozen or ten cents apiece.

Two final examples of personal Knight Templar jewelry come from the collection of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts. During the mid-1800s, the Grand Lodge established its library and museum to preserve its treasures for future generations. Today, the museum collection has grown to over 12,000 objects and documents. In 2004, the National Heritage Museum began a cooperative project with the Grand Lodge to maintain these items for decades to come. The material is housed at the museum where it is accessible to researchers and visitors through exhibitions, publications, and the web. One of the smallest items in the Grand Lodge collection is a silver-tone Knight

Templar charm. One side shows the familiar cross and crown symbol while the other side has the text of the Lord's Prayer carefully fit into a central circle that is just one-half inch in diameter.

We conclude with what may be the most poignant of the pieces discussed here. On the front of the square locket is a prominent cross and crown motif while the back is marked with initials, probably signifying the locket's original owner, now unknown. Inside are a small lock of braided hair under glass and a tiny photograph of a woman's head in profile. Unfortunately, the details behind this piece have been

lost. Was the woman a beloved wife or lost daughter? Was the locket kept by a Knight or given to his lady? Where was it made and used? Despite these questions which will probably never be answered, this locket, like all of the jewelry in the museum's collection, serves as a connection to the past helping us to remember history and illuminate stories of where we come from while inspiring us for the future. While all of the jewelry described here served as reminders of the lessons learned in the fraternity and the importance of filial and affectionate ties, this small locket physically demonstrates how the value of the fraternity intertwined with a man's life outside lodge walls, something that can be hard to learn from printed proceedings and ritual ciphers.

The National Heritage Museum actively collects objects, books, and documents associated with American Freemasonry and fraternalism. Museum staff is available to answer questions and offer advice on preserving antiques. If you would like to visit the museum, make a donation, or ask a question, please visit our website, www.nationalheritagemuseum.org, or call 781-861-6559.



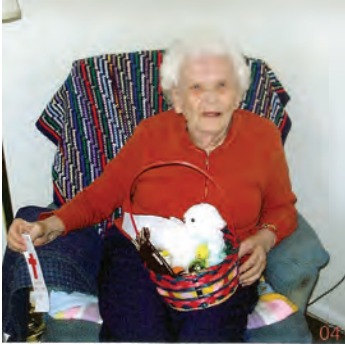
Knight Templar Locket, 1870-1900, collection of the Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, GL2004.3042.

Photograph by David Bohl.





Beauceant News



Mrs. Harold (Lois) Folkins turned 100 years old on March 13, 2009. She was born and raised on a farm near McClusky, North Dakota. She completed high school in McClusky and then took two years of teacher training in Valley City, North Dakota. She married Harold Folkins who was also a teacher. The couple had three sons. The family settled in Sheridan, Wyoming in 1962. Lois was a homemaker and worked in a super market wrapping meat for eleven years.

Lois joined Sheridan Assembly No. 131, S.O.O.B. in 1967. She held the office of treasurer for many years. She is a life member of the Lutheran Church.

Lois lives at the Bee Hive, an assisted living home in Sheridan. She reads, plays bingo, and at the age of 100 is still active. She credits her long life to the friendships she has developed over the years.

Special Style Show at Spring Luncheon for Long Beach No. 39

At their spring luncheon on April 22, 2009, Long Beach Assembly No. 39 enjoyed something entirely different. The Worthy President, Mrs. O. Reed Bolin, with the help of her officers, went to stores that sold pre-owned clothing, and they bought outfits which they then modeled at the luncheon. For the third year in a row, nearly 300 pillows, blankets, and premie caps were donated to Millers Children's Hospital. The majority were sewn and donated by Mrs. Jack Gaskins, 2nd Vice President.

Supreme Officers visit at Louisiana Grand Commandery

The ladies of Shreveport Assembly No. 60, along with the wives of Sir Knights from all over the state, were thrilled to have several Supreme officers attend Grand Commandery of Louisiana April 4-7, in Hammond, LA.



Pictured left to right: Mrs. Jack Giles; Mrs. Roy E. May, both members of Shreveport Assembly No. 60; Mrs. Michael Shively, Supreme Director of Music; Mrs. Paul E. Wunshe, Supreme Marshal; and Mrs. John A. Kleinfelder, Supreme Worthy President.

Please Note: The proper procedure for Assemblies to submit articles and pictures is to attach them in an email to salcon@comcast.net or snail mail them to Mrs. David Alcon, PSWP if before Supreme Sessions, and to the PSWP appointed by the SWP for the next term beginning in October. Failure to submit per this procedure will increase even more the time before an article can be published.

Three Generations Are “Sisters” at Shreveport No. 60

A special meeting was held on May 23, 2009, by Shreveport Assembly No. 60 to Initiate Shayna Lynn Beevers. Miss Beevers entered law school this fall. Her mother and grandmother took part in the service.



Left to right: Mrs. Pat Dickson; Mrs. Tom Brown; Mrs. Edward Reine; Mrs. Roy May; Miss Shayna Lynn Beevers; Mrs. Jack Giles; Mrs. Raylyn Beevers; Mrs. Ginger French; Mrs. Jeanette Rife, SMWO; Mrs. Marcy Boyce; and Mrs. Charles Penn, III. Seated: Mrs. Larry Ledbetter.

Right: Mrs. Edward Reine, grandmother of the Candidate; Miss Shayna Lynn Beevers, candidate; and Mrs. Raylyn Beevers, mother of the candidate.



“First Daughters” Who Joined a Few Years Ago.



Left: Standing Mrs. March Boyce and Mrs. Ginger French, daughters of Mrs. Larry Ledbetter seated. These ladies joined Shreveport Assembly right after the amendment was passed to allow daughters of Sir Knights to join the Beauceant.





Knights



at the Bookshelf

The Bright Mason—An American Mystery by Robert Berry.

Published in 2008 by Booklocker.com, Inc. \$15.95

Reviewed by

Sir Knight Thomas W. Jackson

In 1826 William Morgan declared his intent to publish the secret rituals of Freemasonry which were subsequently published in 1827 with the title, *Illustrations of Masonry*. Morgan disappeared prior to its publication, and the Freemasons were accused of kidnapping him, probably murdering him, and disposing of his body. Today in Freemasonry, we refer to this episode as the “Morgan Affair”.

The impact of this “affair” resulted in the greatest anti-Masonic impact in the history of American Freemasonry. It resulted in the creation of the first third major political party to put a name in nomination for president in American history, the Anti-Masonic Party. The result was catastrophic to Freemasonry. Masonic lodges across the nation went dark and remained dark for decades, and even Grand Lodges went out of existence. Freemasonry was not to recover until after the Civil War, and even to this day, the accusations of Freemasonry’s involvement in Morgan’s disappearance continue to haunt us.

The Bright Mason is perhaps the most concise and yet complete a review ever presented of the events that led up to

Morgan’s disappearance and the aftermath that resulted. It also deals extensively with Thurlow Weed’s involvement in the creation of the Anti-Masonic Party through the power of his press as well as the involvement of the religious and social structures of that day.

The title of the Book, *The Bright Mason*, a term which I had not heard before, is taken from the identification of a man who could satisfy an examination committee by standing the examination or by the recitation of ritual. Morgan was regarded as a “Bright Mason” even though there is no conclusive evidence that he was ever regularly accepted into Freemasonry.

The author, a Freemason, has performed an extremely effective unbiased analysis of the events as they unfolded in this brief but disastrous period in Masonic history.

The book also gives us insight into the significance of Freemasonry in this period of American history, exploring not only its prestige in society but also the negative image projected by those who opposed it. It also presents some lesser-known facts such as Morgan’s widow becoming a plural wife of Joseph Smith and Morgan receiving a posthumous baptism in the

Mormon right of baptism for the dead.

Ironically, through the actions of the members of the craft, not only was Morgan's *Illustrations of Masonry* more widely known and distributed, but it also stimulated the publication of the most comprehensive Masonic exposé ever published; *Light on Masonry* by David Bernard which was recently republished by Arturo de Hoyos.

This 220 page paperback is well worth the effort to read for anyone wishing to understand the Morgan affair.

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Solution to Cryptic Puzzle on Page 12 of August Issue

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11	P	E	12	D	N	13	C	L	O	W	N	S		
14	I	M	A	G	E	O	15	T	A	L	C			
16	G	O	L	F	P	17	M	E	N	S	A			
19	P	O	T	A	T	O	L	20	S	21	O	L		
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ACROSS

- MON+KS
- (life)S CAR(es)
- AN(d i)T IS
- OBOE homophone for HOBO
- P(i)ED
- CL homophone for seal+OWNS
- 1+MAGE
- CLAT(tering) reversed
- GO+L+F(oot)
- MENSA dbl.def.
- POT+AT+(y)O(u)
- LOS reversed
- ROSE dbl.def.
- (j)N A CRE(ture)
- NE>IN reversed (Solomon's nine arches)
- KN(ights)+OBS(serve)

DOWN

- ON+E(ast)
- KING dbl.def.
- SOLO+MON(day)
- COW+ANS(wer)
- RA(ccoon)S+CAL
- C+SEPT(emb)ER
- PIG+PEN (type of Masonic cypher)
- TO LAND anagram= Timothy DALTON
- ELAN = rotate LANE
- OR+B

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