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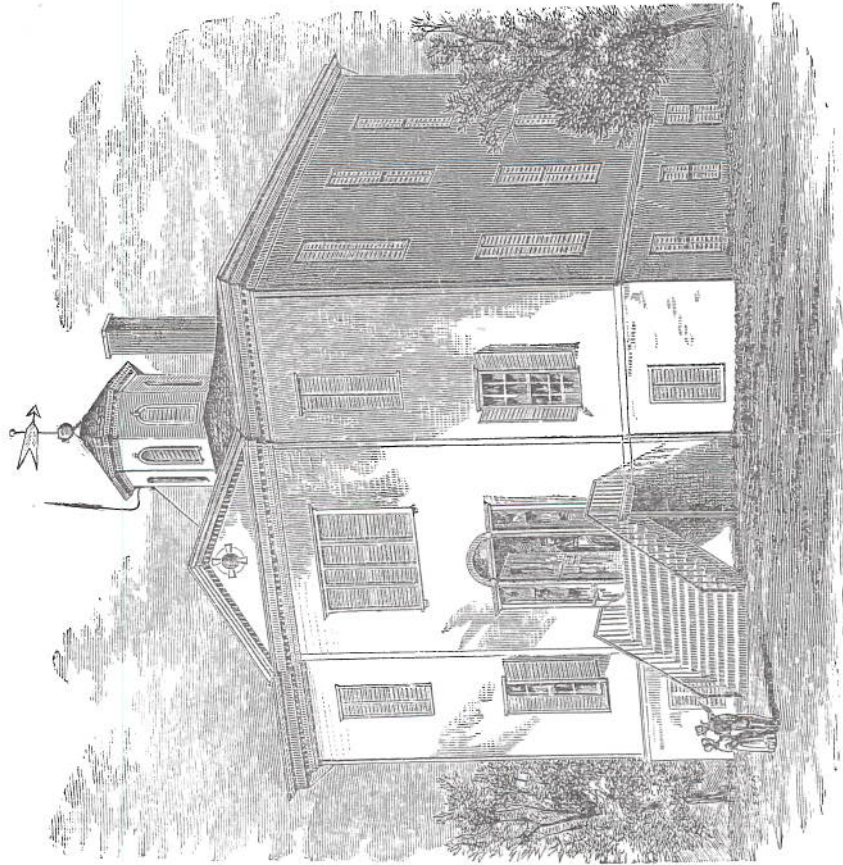
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RICHMOND:  
J. W. FERGUSSON & SON, PRINTERS.  
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First Masonic Edifice built in America--1735.

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A. F. & A. M., 1837.

# ROSTER OF MASTERS OF RICHMOND RANDOLPH LODGE, No. 19,

A. F. and A. M.

*From October 29th, 1787, to October 29th, 1837.*

MASTER.	NAME.	TERM OF SERVICE AS MASTER OF LODGE.
1st.....	William Waddill.....	From Oct. 29th, 1787, to Dec. 2d, 1789.
2d.....	Jacob Ege.....	Dec. 2d, 1789, to June 5th, 1793.
3d.....	John K. Read.....	June 24th, 1793, to June 22d, 1795.
4th.....	Jacob Ege.....	June 24th, 1795, to Sept. 2d, 1795.
5th.....	Meyer M. Cohen.....	Oct. 6th, 1795, to June 24th, 1796.
6th.....	John Dixon.....	June 24th, 1796, to June 24th, 1797.
7th.....	Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn.....	June 24th, 1797, to June 24th, 1799.
8th.....	Eldridge Harris.....	June 24th, 1799, to June 24th, 1800.
9th.....	Leighton Wood.....	June 24th, 1800, to June 24th, 1801.
10th.....	Humphrey Dabney.....	June 24th, 1801, to June 24th, 1802.
11th.....	Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn.....	June 24th, 1802, to June 24th, 1804.
12th.....	Solomon Jacobs.....	June 24th, 1804, to June 24th, 1807.
13th.....	William D. Wren.....	June 24th, 1807, to June 24th, 1808.
14th.....	Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn.....	June 24th, 1808, to June 24th, 1809.
15th.....	Thomas Diddiep.....	June 24th, 1809, to June 24th, 1810.
16th.....	William D. Wren.....	June 24th, 1810, to June 24th, 1811.
17th.....	Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn.....	June 24th, 1811, to June 24th, 1819.
18th.....	Joseph A. Meyers, Sr.....	June 24th, 1819, to Sept. 29th, 1819.
19th.....	George Cabell.....	Sept. 29th, 1819, to June 24th, 1820.
20th.....	John Dove.....	June 24th, 1820, to June 24th, 1821.
21st.....	George Cabell.....	June 24th, 1821, to June 24th, 1822.
22 d.....	John G. Williams.....	June 24th, 1822, to June 24th, 1823.
23 d.....	Blair Bolling.....	June 24th, 1823, to June 24th, 1824.
24th.....	Richard A. Carrington.....	June 24th, 1824, to June 24th, 1826.
25th.....	John G. Williams.....	June 24th, 1826, to June 24th, 1828.
26th.....	John A. Carrington.....	June 24th, 1828, to June 24th, 1830.
27th.....	Joseph A. Meyers.....	June 24th, 1830, to June 24th, 1832.
28th.....	William F. Lee.....	June 24th, 1832, to June 24th, 1834.
29th.....	John Dove.....	June 24th, 1834, to June 24th, 1836.
30th.....	Richard O. Haskins.....	June 24th, 1836, to June 24th, 1840.

ROSTER OF MASTERS—CONTINUED.

MASTER.	NAME.	TERM OF SERVICE AS MASTER OF LODGE.
31st.....	Thomas U. Dudley.....	From June 24th, 1840 to June 24th, 1841.
32d.....	Edward S. Gay.....	June 24th, 1841, to Sept. 1st, 1841.
33d.....	James Evans.....	Sept. 1st, 1841, to Jan. 3d, 1844.
34th.....	Thomas Tyrer.....	Jan. 1st, 1844, to June 24th, 1845.
35th.....	John McConnell.....	June 24th, 1845, to June 24th, 1847.
36th.....	John Dove.....	June 24th, 1847, to June 24th, 1848.
37th.....	Richard O. Haskins.....	June 24th, 1848, to June 24th, 1850.
38th.....	William B. Isaacs.....	June 24th, 1850, to June 24th, 1853.
39th.....	William C. Tompkins.....	June 24th, 1853, to June 24th, 1854.
40th.....	John C. Page, Jr.....	June 24th, 1854, to June 24th, 1856.
41st.....	John Poe, Jr.....	June 24th, 1856, to Jan. 27th, 1858.
42d.....	John W. Bransford.....	Jan. 27th, 1858, to June 24th, 1859.
43d.....	William T. Allen.....	June 24th, 1859, to June 24th, 1862.
44th.....	Robert T. Reynolds.....	June 24th, 1862, to June 24th, 1864.
45th.....	John Latouche.....	June 24th, 1864, to June 24th, 1866.
46th.....	Julius A. Hobson.....	June 24th, 1866, to June 24th, 1868.
47th.....	James R. Dowell.....	June 24th, 1868, to June 24th, 1871.
48th.....	Noron R. Savage.....	June 24th, 1871, to June 24th, 1873.
49th.....	William Hall Crew.....	June 24th, 1873, to June 24th, 1875.
50th.....	George F. Keesee.....	June 24th, 1875, to June 24th, 1877.
51st.....	Charles P. Rady.....	June 24th, 1877, to June 24th, 1879.
52d.....	R. H. Duesberry.....	June 24th, 1879, to June 24th, 1881.
53d.....	R. F. Howard.....	June 24th, 1881, to June 24th, 1883.
54th.....	R. C. Fletcher.....	June 24th, 1883, to June 24th, 1885.
55th.....	Charles A. West.....	June 24th, 1885, to June 24th, 1886.
56th.....	James H. Allen.....	June 24th, 1886, to June 24th, 1887.
57th.....	Judson Cunningham.....	June 24th, 1887, and in office October 31st, 1887.
	(Present Master.)	

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## Richmond Randolph Lodge,

No. 19, A. F. & A. M.

We are indebted for many valuable facts contained in this History to many members and friends of the Lodge, and especially to our worthy Brother Worshipful David C. Richardson, of Lodge No. 130.

From A. L. October 29th, 5787, A. D., 1787,  
To A. L., October 29th, 5887, A. D., 1887.

By Worshipful CHARLES P. RADY, Historian of the Lodge.

### ORGANIZATION.

On the 28th of October, 1787, William Waddill, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, John Dixon, Sr., and Daniel Lambert, moved by a desire to extend the area of Masonry, and thereby aid in the dissemination of her time-honored principles as embodied in the truly Masonic virtues of Friendship, Morality, and Brotherly Love, united themselves together, and formally requested the Grand Lodge of Virginia to issue them a Charter of Incorporation for RICHMOND RANDOLPH LODGE A. F. and A. M.

### THE NAME.

It is quite evident that the brethren who were prime movers in this important undertaking, designed by the adoption of this name to honor their Grand Master, and Chief Magistrate, EDMUND RANDOLPH (Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, and Governor of the State), who had already received at the hands of his brethren the highest honor as a Mason, and from his fellow citizens the highest position in their gift. The selection of such a name was a happy thought, well calculated to excite the membership to high and noble deeds. While working under a banner inscribed with the

name of one of Virginia's first families and noblest sons, they could not fail to be impressed with an example that was well worthy the imitation of every good and true Mason. RICHMOND RANDOLPH LODGE has ever proven herself worthy the honored name with which she was baptized in 1787.

#### CHARTER GRANTED.

October 20th, 1787, it pleased the Grand Lodge of Virginia to hearken to the petition of the brethren named, and a Charter was granted, bearing this date, signed by Edmund Randolph, Grand Master, and William Waddill, Grand Secretary.

This Charter "Constituted and appointed the Wor. Wm. WADDILL, JOHN DIXON, Sr., and DAVID LAMBERT, together with such brethren as may be admitted to associate with them, to be a just, true and regular Lodge, \* \* \* granting and committing to them, and their successors, full power and authority to assemble and convene as a regular Lodge of Free Masons; to enter and receive Apprentices; pass Fellow Crafts, and raise Master Masons, according to the Known and Established Customs of Ancient Masonry, and not otherwise," &c., &c.

#### FIRST MEETING.

The regular organization of the Lodge was deferred until Saturday evening, December 1st, 1787, when a Lodge of Masters was held for the purpose of installing officers. From subsequent records, it appears that the officers were appointed by the Grand Lodge, as follows: William Waddill, Worshipful Master; John Dixon, Sr., Senior Warden; and David Lambert, Junior Warden and Secretary.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST MEETING.

The following are the proceedings of the first meeting of "The Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, A. F. and A. M.":  
 "At a Lodge, held at Masons Hall, in the City of Richmond, on the first day of December, A. L. 5787, A. D. 1787, for the purpose of installing the Master and Wardens of the Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, newly constituted by Charter from the Grand Lodge of Virginia; bearing date October 20th, A. L. 5787; *Present*, JOHN MCCALL, Master of the Richmond Lodge, No. 10; CLOTWORTHY STEPHENSON, Past Master, as Senior Warden; GEORGE NICOLL, Past Master, as Junior Warden. WM. WADDILL was regularly installed MASTER OF THE RICHMOND RANDOLPH LODGE, No. 19. JOHN DIXON, Sr., installed Senior Warden thereof; DAVID LAMBERT, who was appointed by Charter, being absent. Bro. CLOTWORTHY STEPHENSON acted as Junior Warden *pro tempore*, and then the Master Masons Lodge being closed, an Entered Apprentice Lodge was opened for dispatch of business *Present*, Wm. Waddill, Master; John Dixon, Senior Warden; Clotworthy Stephenson, Junior Warden *pro tem*; Visiting Brethren, John McCall, Jacob Edge, Charles Stuart, George Nicoll, and Jos. Darmsdatt, and others. The Lodge closed and adjourned until Thursday next, or during the Master's pleasure."  
 (Signed) WM. WADDILL, Master.

Thus it appears that no formal meeting of the Lodge was held during the time elapsing between October 20th and December 1st, 1787. It seems that after the usual exercises of installation, the Masters' Lodge was closed, and a Lodge on the First Degree of Masonry opened for dispatch of business, but there being no work, the Lodge closed in the Entered Apprentice Degree.

#### OLD MASONS' HALL—VIRGINIA'S MASONIC CRADLE.

This old building, which has the distinction of being the first house erected for Masonic purposes in America, has revived an interest in, and stimulated inquiry as to its origin and history, Richmond Lodge, No. 10, and Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, had jointly occupied the building for nearly one hundred years, and up to a few years ago, when Richmond Lodge, No. 10, changed its place of meeting to St. Alban's Hall. The old hall was held by the trustees of these two Lodges, but the title to the ground on which it stood was clouded, and for a long time there was a tradition, that the land had been donated, and that it would revert to the heirs of the original owners, should it no longer be used for the purpose intended.

#### SALE AND PURCHASE OF MASONIC HALL.

Lodge No. 10 has sold to No. 19 all its interest in the property, and, in order to perfect the sale, an investigation of the title has brought to light some facts which will be of interest to all Masons.

#### FIRST GRAND LODGE IN VIRGINIA.

The Grand Lodge of Masons in Virginia was organized at a convention of Delegates from the five Lodges in the State, which assembled in Williamsburg, on Tuesday, the 6th day of May, 1777.

#### RICHMOND LODGE, No. 13—FIRST LODGE IN RICHMOND.

At a meeting held at the Raleigh Tavern, December 28, 1780, "a petition was presented from Brothers Leighton Wood, Thomas Smith, Gabriel Galt, and several other brethren, inhabitants of the Town of Richmond, in Henrico County, praying to be indulged with a Charter to constitute and hold a Lodge in the aforesaid Town; which having been maturely considered, the question was put and unanimously passed in the affirmative." The Lodge thus chartered was known as Richmond Lodge, No. 13, and was the first Lodge in Richmond.

#### LAST MEETING OF GRAND LODGE IN WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

This was the last meeting of the Grand Lodge in Williamsburg, and it was then resolved, that the next meeting should be held in Richmond, on the 10th day of April, 1781. But this meeting was never held.

#### REVOLUTIONARY WAR.

The war of the Revolution was being fought, and the cause of freedom demanded and received the services and sacrifices of the Masons of those days. Phillips and Tarleton were raiding the country, Arnold burnt the town of Richmond, the Governor and Legislature fled at the approach of danger, and disorder and confusion prevailed throughout the State.

#### FIRST MEETING OF GRAND LODGE IN RICHMOND, VA.

The Grand Lodge did not again assemble until November 14, 1784. This meeting was held at the "Lodge-room in the city of Richmond, and Ed-

mund Randolph appeared as the Representative of Richmond Lodge, No. 13. Where this "Lodge-room" was we can only conjecture. It may have been over some store, but it was most probably in McGuire's school-house, then next to the present site of the Masons' Hall.

#### PURCHASE OF LOT FOR HALL.

A building which would serve as a suitable Lodge-room, and also as a permanent location for the Grand Lodge, soon became necessary, and accordingly, on the 12th of August, 1785, Gabriel Galt sold to "George Anderson, Alexander Nelson, Foster Webb, Jr., Alexander McRobert, Patrick Wright, Sam'l Scherer, and John Grooves, a Committee from Lodge No. 13, a lot of ground fronting 80 feet on the back street, opposite Mrs. Warrocks," and he engaged, "under a penalty of £500, to convey the above grounds in fee-simple, and make a deed for the same whenever required to do so."

#### LAYING CORNER-STONE OF MASON'S HALL IN RICHMOND, VA.

Steps were then taken to erect a hall upon this lot. The Grand Lodge assembled in Richmond on Friday, the 28th of October, 1785, and on the afternoon of the next day—Saturday, October 29, 1785—the corner-stone was laid "by Most Worshipful James Mercer, Grand Master, assisted by Right Worshipful Ed. Randolph, Deputy Grand Master *pro tem.*; Thomas Matthews, Senior Grand Warden *pro tem.*; and Benjamin Day, Junior Grand Warden *pro tem.*"

#### RAISING MONEY BY LOTTERY.

On December 27, 1785, the Legislature passed an act authorizing "the Society of Free Masons of the city of Richmond to raise, under the direction of the Common Hall of said city, a sum of money not exceeding £1,500, by way of lottery, for the purpose of erecting and completing a Free Masons' Hall in said city." The Common Hall, at a meeting held January 2, 1786, appointed a Committee, consisting of John Marshall, Recorder, Gabriel Galt, Foster Webb, Jr., David Lambert, and John Beckley, to form a scheme of lottery agreeably to the above act. The Committee reported, January 9th, a scheme which was adopted, and Messrs, James Buchanan, Turner Southall, David Lambert, Edward Randolph, Gabriel Galt, Robert Mitchell, and Foster Webb were appointed managers. This scheme for raising money did not appear to meet with much success, and at the expiration of nearly one year, the managers reported that but few tickets had been sold. To inspire confidence and guarantee the payment of prizes in *hard money*, the Common Hall, at a meeting held October 14, 1786, required the managers to give bond in the sum of £20,000, and ordered that the money should be paid "in specie, and not in indents."

#### BUILDING OF THE HALL.

In the meantime, No. 13 Lodge had proceeded with the work, and the building was so far advanced towards completion, that a meeting of the Grand Lodge was held therein October 27, 1786. At this meeting John Marshall appeared as the Representative of the Richmond Lodge, No. 13, and during the same session he was appointed Deputy Grand Master by Edmund Randolph, the Grand Master.

#### THE NEW LOTTERY SCHEME.

About this time the Common Hall, it appears, had abandoned the hope of raising money by the lottery scheme. There was much complaint on the part of those who had purchased tickets, and the managers desired to be relieved.

At a meeting held April 13, 1787, it was "Resolved, That the Society of Free Masons be requested to nominate a committee to call upon the lottery managers to render an account, and to receive the money for tickets sold; that they be required to give security in the sum of £5,000, and that they (the committee from the Lodge) be appointed managers of said lottery, according to the following, which was only one-third of the original scheme."

This scheme provided for the raising of £500 instead of £1,500, as was at first proposed.

#### A DELAY IN BUILDING.

It is probable that the building had not been raised above the first story at this time; that it was roofed over, and served as a Lodge-room and a Hall for public meetings of citizens. This first story is built of brick, and it was the original design to erect a building of that material, but after the abandonment of the more ambitious scheme of raising £1,500, the plan was changed; the remaining stories were constructed of wood, and the Hall, as it now stands, was completed December 10, 1787. And now the members of the Lodge were sorely perplexed as to how the money should be raised to pay the debt incurred. The lottery scheme appeared a failure, and the effort in that direction had resulted in rendering the Lodge No. 13 unpopular.

An anonymous writer in the *Gazette* of November 29, 1787, characterized the whole scheme as a fraud, and said that the adventurers in the lottery, might "only consider themselves as having been humbugged out of their money."

#### LODGE No. 13 DORMANT.

As a result, the members became discouraged, dissensions arose, and for a short period Richmond Lodge, No. 13, was dormant, and held no meeting. The difficulty of raising money at this time is easily accounted for when we remember that, on the 9th of January, 1787, a most disastrous fire had destroyed between thirty and forty houses in Richmond, and swept away property of the value of more than £130,000.

But there were some members of the Lodge who had determined the enterprise should succeed. John Marshall came to the front to awaken enthusiasm and restore harmony.

#### RICHMOND LODGE, No. 10, AND RICHMOND RANDOLPH LODGE, No. 19.

Lodge No. 13 was revived as Richmond Lodge, No. 10, and on the 29th of October, 1787, Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, was chartered, with Wm. Waddill as Master, John Dixon, Senior Warden, and David Lambert, Junior Warden.

The members of the two Lodges then went earnestly to work; the remainder of the tickets in the lottery were sold, and the drawing took place



in the Hall June 10, 1788, when over £400 was realized. This amount served to satisfy the claims of the workmen for a time, but there was still a large sum due on the building. May 28, 1791, William Booker, the contractor, filed his bill in the County Court of Henrico, praying a sale of the building for the payment to him of the balance of £247, 18s., 2d. This sum was, however, advanced to the Lodges by Joseph Darmsadt, and the suit dismissed.

#### HALL COMPLETED—LODGES PROSPEROUS.

The Hall was now completed, and the Lodges were receiving numerous accessions to their membership, and among them were many of the most influential citizens of Richmond. The debt which had embarrassed them was gradually reduced, and several years of prosperity followed.

#### BUSINESS TRANSACTED IN LODGE ON FIRST DEGREE.

All the business of the Lodge was then transacted in a Lodge on the First Degree in Masonry, and a Lodge on the Fourth Degree was opened whenever it became necessary, for the purpose of raising a Master-elect to the degree of Past Master. The Steward's Committee were the almoners of the Lodge, and made regular reports at every meeting.

#### CELEBRATION, OR MASONIC FESTIVAL.

The annual festivals of St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist were occasions of much interest, and the following extracts will show how they were celebrated:

[From the *Richmond Gazette*, June 28, 1787.]

"By appointment of, and before the Societies of Free and Accepted Masons, the Richmond Lodge, No. 13, and the Manchester Lodge, No. 14, on the Anniversary of St. John the Baptist (Sunday, the 24th inst.), a charity sermon was preached at the church in this city by the Rev. John Buchanan, their Chaplain, for the benefit of the indigent poor in this neighborhood, and £33 collected."

[January 4, 1788.]

"Thursday last (December 27th), being the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, the ancient and honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons of Lodges in this city, went in procession from their Hall, with a band of music to the Church, where their Chaplain delivered a very suitable discourse, after which they returned, in the same order; and in the evening they concluded with a grand ball."

#### MASONS' HALL USED FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.

The Masons' Hall was now the most popular place in the city. With the exception of the court-house (Main and Twenty-second streets), it was the only building east of Shockoe Creek in which public meetings could be held. The large room on the ground-floor was in frequent use as a place of amusement, for public and political meetings, and for religious worship. Here, three evenings of each week, Monsieur Capus instructed the "youth of both sexes in the most approved court dances, and the latest and most popular figures and steps"; here the citizens assembled to instruct their

Delegates to the Convention, on the absorbing topic of the adoption or rejection of the Federal Constitution; here grand balls were given on the 4th of July; and also "on the 11th of February, the anniversary of the birth of the illustrious General George Washington, whose exertions, under the smile of Heaven, have been productive of freedom, happiness, and glory, to a grateful people"; here the Hustings Court of the city was held when the General Court was sitting in the court-house, and John Marshall, as Recorder, was having his first judicial experience; and here, on Sunday afternoons, "dissenting ministers" proclaimed the new era of religious freedom, and preached the gospel of Christ.

#### FIRE ALARM—FELLOWSHIP FIRE COMPANY.

A bell, loaned by the Governor to the city, was by order of the Common Hall hung in the belfry of the building. For many years its clangor aroused the citizens to the alarm of fire, and called out the members of the "Fellowship Fire Company," to fight the flames.

#### THE DEED TO THE PROPERTY.

In 1792, the question of title to the property was agitated. Gabriel Galt had died in 1788, without having made a deed to the property, and the original trustees, with two exceptions, had died or removed from the city.

At the August, 1792, term of the County Court of Henrico, the surviving trustees filed their bill in chancery against the widow and heirs-at-law of Gabriel Galt, praying that they might be required specifically, to perform the contract of said Galt with them, and make a deed conveying the property. The cause remained on the docket until the August, 1794, term, when a decree was rendered requiring the defendants, "within thirty days, to execute a deed conveying the property to John Marshall, Joseph Darmsadt, John Moody, Alexander Yuille, Thomas Nicolson, Julius B. Dandridge, Jacob L. Cohen, Jacob Ege, John Steward, William H. Fitzwhylson, John K. Read, John Crawford, John Dixon, and Samuel McCraw in trust for the sole use and benefit of the Richmond Lodges, No. 10 and No. 19, and their legal representatives and successors forever."

#### ORIGINAL DEED NOT IN EXISTENCE.

This deed was doubtless executed, but it is no longer in existence. At that time, there was much doubt as to the proper office in which deeds to property in the city of Richmond should be recorded. Some were recorded in the County Court of Henrico, some in the Hustings Court of the city; others in District Court, and many in the office of the General Court. It is presumed from a recital in a deed to another lot on the same square, that the deed to this property was recorded in the General Court, the records of which have all been destroyed. The record in the suit above referred to is, however, sufficient to show that Lodges Nos. 10 and 19, have an indefeasible title to the property.

#### HISTORY OF "OLD MASONS' HALL."

The history of the old Hall is full of deep interest. Patriots, warriors, statesmen and philanthropists, whose fame was not confined to one hemisphere, have been seated around its Lodge altar. From the Grand Lodge, assembled within its walls, have emanated the charters of nearly all the Lodges in the State. While it is true that the Grand Lodge had its birth

elsewhere, yet here it was nourished to vigor and manhood, and the "Masons' Hall" in this city may justly be regarded as the cradle of Virginia Masonry.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WM. WADDILL.

FIRST MASTER OF No. 19.

From December 1, 1787, to December 20, 1788.

Worshipful Wm. Waddill commenced his administration with four members—three besides himself, viz: David Lambert, John Dixon, Sr., and John V. Krautzman. David Lambert was appointed Secretary, and John V. Krautzman, Tiler. The remaining Subordinate Officers were appointed as members were received.

The Lodge assembled, pursuant to adjournment, December 6th, 1787, and was opened by the newly installed officers. The principal business transacted, being the appointment of a Committee to prepare By-Laws. The Lodge also received the petitions of Mr. Wm. Lambert and Mr. J. A. Myers.

Brother Waddill's term of office lasted from December 1st, 1787, to December 2d, 1789, being two years' term. During this time, he was re-elected twice. He resigned his position as Master of the Lodge December 2nd, 1789, for the following reasons: "Brother Wm. Waddill, Master of this Lodge, having removed from this city, and finding it inconvenient to attend the Lodge meetings regularly, has requested the brethren to accept his resignation as Master." During his term, the Lodge was very prosperous, having held one stated meeting, and ten occasional meetings during the month of December, and a total of forty nine meetings during the two years. Twelve brothers joined the Lodge, twenty-two persons were regularly initiated, eleven were passed to the degree of Fellow Craft, and ten raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. Thus it will be seen, that from the first, the brethren determined to redeem the promise made in the application for a charter, by giving themselves earnestly to the work before them. During the period referred to above, there were no deaths, no withdrawals, and only two persons recommended, whose characters were not good and were consequently rejected.

#### SINGULAR PROCEEDINGS.

On the 6th of December, 1787, Mr. Wm. Lambert was proposed, elected and initiated, at the same meeting, he being a "transient person." On the 13th of December he was elected Secretary of the Lodge for the remainder of the Masonic year. On the 17th he was made a Fellow Craft, and signs the proceedings as Secretary, at the next occasional meeting, held December 23d, at which meeting *David Lambert*, who had been Secretary, was elected Treasurer. On the 24th December, Wm. Lambert was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason.

#### MASONS' HALL AS A DANCING ACADEMY.

On January 10, 1788, a very polite letter was received from Jeremiah Moriarty, requesting permission to teach dancing in the Lodge-room. This novel proposition was laid over until a conference could be held with No. 10, on the 18th inst., when the Lodge resolved that the Hall should not be used for such purposes.

#### JOINT RESOLUTION IN REGARD TO USE OF HALL.

At a regular meeting, held March 13, 1788, the following resolution was adopted:

"WHEREAS, No agreement hath been entered into between the Lodge No. 10 and this Lodge respecting the use of Masons' Hall in this city;

"Resolved, That Brothers Senior and Junior Wardens, Brother Treasurer and Brother Ege, or any three, be a committee to confer with No. 10, for the purpose of ascertaining the particular time which each Lodge shall occupy the same in rotation."

The Secretary was requested to furnish the Master of No. 10 with a copy of this resolution, and request him to call a committee meeting, to confer with said committee of No. 19.

At a stated meeting, held May 8th, 1788, the committee reported that the joint committee had a meeting, and agreed upon the following resolution:

"Resolved, That Richmond Lodge, No. 10, shall have the occupancy of the Lodge-room on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and the Richmond RANDOLPH Lodge, No. 19, on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays."

This was adopted by No. 19, and ordered to be sent to No. 10, with request for concurrence. This was probably done, as this Lodge (No. 19) held meetings regularly thereafter on Wednesdays.

#### MASONS' HALL RENTED OUT FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

On Wednesday, August 6th, 1788, Brother David Lambert reported an agreement, entered into between the joint committee of Nos 10 and 19, and Gaspard Cenas, whereby it was arranged, "that Mr. Cenas can have the use of the Lodge room in this city, he paying monthly the sum of forty-eight shillings, and that in advance. Secondly, That Mr. Cenas shall at all times give full possession of the Lodge-room, when either of the Lodges may demand it. Thirdly and lastly, Mr. Cenas doth hereby oblige himself to keep the room in the Lodge in same good order that it is in when he receives it, accident by fire only excepted."

#### ATTENDANCE ON MEETINGS OF THE LODGE.

The following resolution was adopted January 7th, 1789:

"Resolved, That for the future, the names of all members of this Lodge, who shall fail to attend the meetings thereof, or are delinquent in the payment of their monthly dues, be noted by the Secretary, that they may be proceeded against agreeably to the 10th and 11th Articles of the By-Laws."

#### FIRST ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GRAND LODGE.

Monday, April 13th, 1789, the Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens and Secretary were elected Representatives to the Grand Lodge of Virginia, to be held April 22d, 1789.

#### HELPING A TRANSIENT BROTHER.

October 21st, 1789, at a Lodge of Fellow Crafts, held this date, a transient brother made application for help. The Worshipful Master, Senior Warden and Treasurer were appointed a committee to inquire into the case, and grant him such help as he might need.

No doubt this case caused the Lodge to see the necessity for a standing joint committee for the relief of distressed transient brethren, for on November 4th, 1789, Brothers Ege, Crawford, and Lambert were appointed a committee to act with a similar committee from No. 10, when appointed.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF JACOB EGE.

##### SECOND MASTER OF No. 19.

*Term of Service from December 2d, 1789, to June, 1793.*

##### FIRST PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION.

A resolution was received from Lodge, No. 10, requesting No. 19 to unite, as a Lodge, in a procession to and from church, in the forenoon of December 27th, 1789. The Lodge considered the matter, and resolved to unite in a body. The record does not state the purpose of this demonstration, or the church at which held.

##### INSTALLATION.

June 23, 1790. Most Worshipful A. Montgomery, Grand Master, was present this evening, and installed the officers of the Lodge in due form.

##### REFUSED PRIVILEGE OF VISITING.

January 5th, 1791, a Brother "Stephens" requested permission to join this Lodge. On ballot he was rejected, and also precluded from visiting the Lodge in future. No reasons are assigned in the record.

##### GRAND LODGE REQUESTED TO ADMIT MASTER MASONS AS VISITORS.

April 6th, 1791. It was ordered that the Deputies of this Lodge request the Grand Lodge to pass a law admitting Master Masons as visitors to the Grand Lodge. On examination of Grand Lodge proceedings for several subsequent sessions, we fail to find any entry of action on this subject. In December, 1798, a law was passed by the Grand Lodge charging one dollar fee for visiting.

##### INSPECTOR OF LODGES APPOINTED.

June 24th, 1791. In order to secure uniformity in the working of Lodges, it was resolved to appoint an Inspector of Lodges, whose duty it should be to visit the Lodges and instruct them in the work. Worshipful Brother William Waddill, of No. 19, was (June 24th, 1791) appointed to fill this important office, and the published proceedings of the Grand Lodge, October, 1793, and November, 1796, show how fully and faithfully he performed the responsible duty.

#### HONORS TO THE MEMBERS OF No. 19.

June 24th, 1791. The proceedings of the Grand Lodge of same date, which were certified to the Lodge, show that four other members of No. 19 received office at the hands of the Grand Lodge, viz.: Worshipful Brother Ege, Grand Senior Warden; David Lambert, Grand Treasurer; Brother B. Wood, Grand Secretary; and Brother Jno. K. Read, Deputy Grand Master.

#### ONE BLACK BALL—ELECTION ORDERED TO LIE OVER.

August 3d, 1791. In accordance with Section 5 of the By-Laws, adopted July, 1791, the Master decided that the case of Mr. J. B. Clausel should lie over until the next meeting, one black ball having been cast against his petition. The brother casting the same was required to make known his reasons to the Master, and he to the Lodge, so that the Lodge might judge of their sufficiency. The reasons were not considered good, and Mr. Clausel was duly elected; initiated at the next meeting in September; passed to the degree of Fellow Craft in October; and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason in December.

#### VISITING FEES.

August 3d, 1791. Brother Moody, of No. 10, and Brother Slater, of No. 14 (Manchester), paid one shilling each for permission to visit the Lodge. At a meeting the next month, six others paid the same tax, thus establishing the law. The proceeds went to the Special Charity Fund.

#### ERECTION OF MASTER'S CHAIR IN THE HALL.

September 7th, 1791. The Lodge having agreed to the proposition for the erection of a Master's chair, and other accommodations, in the Lodge-room, the Master appointed Brother Crawford, Senior Warden, to inform No. 10 that the Lodge desired concurrence in the same. Lodge No. 10 concurred, and at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge, October 29th, 1791, the Grand Lodge resolved to pay one-third of expenses, not exceeding fifty pounds. (The chair thus erected in the Lodge is now in good condition, and used regularly by the Master of No. 19. The Grand Tiler's sword, used by the Grand Tiler of the Grand Lodge, and presented to No. 19 by Worshipful Brother John Dove, is now suspended over the same chair.)

#### A FAITHFUL OFFICER.

December 7th, 1791. The thanks of the Lodge were tendered to Brother David Lambert for the faithful performance of his duties as Treasurer. Five dollars was also allowed for losses sustained in the performance of his duties.

#### A CLANDESTINE MASON ADMITTED.

May 2d, 1792. A Mr. Samuel Washburn was proposed as a "Clandestine Mason," balloted for, elected and initiated." This is the simple record. We think it probable that he had acknowledged his error.

#### THE LODGE BUYING LOTTERY TICKETS.

May 2, 1792. The Lodge instructed the Treasurer to draw \$45 and buy fifteen tickets in the Scottsville Lottery, and also instructed the Master and Wardens to hold the tickets, and report the result to the Lodge. This was probably for benefit of Scottsville Lodge. The result has not been recorded, by which we infer that the Lodge drew blanks.

#### A BROTHER APPEALS TO THE GRAND LODGE.

January 6, 1792. Brother Wm. Tatham made application for membership, and having been rejected, notified the Lodge that he would appeal to the Grand Lodge. The ground of his appeal was "that his rejection was illegal, having taken place in a Lodge of Apprentices." The case came before the Grand Lodge at its next meeting in October, and after hearing the appeal, the Grand Lodge resolved, "That the rejection was altogether Constitutional." The practice of the Lodge at this time was to transact nearly all business in the first degree.

#### CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES NOT EXAMINED IN LODGE.

July 4, 1792. The Lodge ordered the appointment of a Standing Committee, to examine brothers who wished to be advanced in the degrees of Masonry. This committee reported on each application, and the Lodge conferred degrees on their recommendation.

#### A BRIDGE OVER SHOCKOE CREEK, ON MAIN STREET.

September 5, 1792. The Lodge instructed the Treasurer to purchase ten tickets in the Richmond Lottery, gotten up to build a bridge over Shockoe Creek. The result is not recorded. In both of these cases of buying lottery tickets it was as a contribution to aid a worthy object.

#### AN EXPULSION FOR IMMORAL CONDUCT.

October 3, 1792. The Lodge resolved to force its members to deal up-rightly. A committee was appointed to inquire into charges against Brother T. C. Morris (a watch-maker), that he withholds the property entrusted to him to repair, both from his brother Masons and also from others. He was found guilty and expelled.

#### THE LOTTERY TICKETS.

November 7, 1792. The Treasurer reported the purchase of the lottery tickets in aid of Shockoe Bridge. The numbers were ordered to be recorded as follows: 1761, 1762, 1763, 1764, 1765, 1766, 1767, 1768, 1769, 1770. There is no record of the result, from which we infer that they were blanks.

#### A DEFAULTING OFFICER ORDERED TO APPEAR.

December 5, 1792. Brother Bell, late Treasurer of the Lodge, was ordered to appear and account for the money in his hands, belonging to the Lodge. We judge that he came forward and settled, as no further action is recorded, and the new Treasurer's accounts are found all right.

#### END OF WORSHIPFUL BROTHER JACOB EGE'S TERM.

January 5, 1793. We have arrived at the close of Worshipful Brother Ege's term of office. Brother Ege was the second Master of No. 19, and served from December, 1789, to June, 1793—four terms. His administration was marked with a great degree of prosperity and harmony. On motion, it was—

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the Lodge be returned to Worshipful Brother Ege for his uprightness and integrity in the exercise of his office during a long term of service, and that the Treasurer be directed to procure a *Post Master's Jewel*, to be presented to Brother Ege by the Master-elect on the festival of St. John.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL BROTHER READ.

THIRD MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 23, 1793, to June 22, 1795.

June 23, 1793. Brother Jno. K. Read was this evening installed Master of this Lodge. Brother Read was Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge from October, 1790, to October, 1792.

#### HONOR TO ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF No. 19.

October 3, 1793. The Worshipful Master received a communication, under the seal of the Grand Lodge, from Right Worshipful Thomas Matthews, Grand Master, appointing Brother Wm. WADSWILL, one of the Charter members of No. 19, to the important office of "Inspector-General of Lodges."

#### GRAND CELEBRATION OF FEAST OF ST. JOHN EVANGELIST.

A SERMON IN THE MORNING—A BALL AT NIGHT.

December 4, 1793. The Lodge resolved to meet at 10 o'clock on the morning of the feast of St. John the Evangelist, next ensuing, and hear a sermon from the Worthy Chaplain, Brother James Buchanan. Also resolved, that in conjunction with Lodges 10 and 36, a ball be given at night, for which managers from each Lodge should collect subscriptions to pay the expenses.

December 27, 1793. The Lodge met in pursuance of arrangement, and proceeded to the CARROL, where Rev. Brother Buchanan delivered an appropriate sermon. The Lodge returned to the hall and closed until 5 P. M., when they met again and proceeded to EAGLE TAVERN, where the ball was held.

#### CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS 1793.

December 25, 1793. The Lodge resolved to celebrate Christmas by a called meeting and work. They accordingly met and passed Brothers Roberts, Wolf and Spencer to the degree of Fellow Craft, and raised Brothers

Wolf and Roberts to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. These brethren were members of Blandford Lodge, Petersburg, and were made Masons by dispensation from the Grand Master. These Christmas festivities were closed with a lecture on the unwritten work by Worshipful Brother Read. No banquet.

SERMON AT THE CAPITOL, FESTIVAL ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

June 24, 1795. The Lodge met at the hall. Present: Most Worshipful John Marshall, Grand Master of Virginia; Most Worshipful Robert Brooke, Deputy Grand Master of Virginia; Worshipful Joseph Darmsdatt, and Senior Warden and Junior Warden, and brethren, of No. 10; Worshipful Wm. Nimmo, and Senior Warden and Junior Warden, and brethren, of No. 36. The Lodges formed in procession and proceeded to the Capitol, where an excellent sermon, well adapted to the occasion, was delivered by Rev. Brother James Buchanan, Chaplain of No. 19. The procession returned to the Lodge, and was dismissed in usual form.

NOTES OF HAND.

August 5, 1795. The Lodge passed the following resolution: "*Resolved*, That should any delinquent members, who have given notes of hand for dues to the Lodge, fail to discharge the same within six months after the date thereafter, they shall, in that case, be discontinued as members."

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL MEYER COHEN.

FIFTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From October 6, 1795, to June 24, 1796.

October 6, 1795. By the death of Worshipful Jacob Ege, which occurred October 6, 1795, Brother Meyer Cohen, who was Senior Warden, became Master of the Lodge.

REPRESENTATION IN GRAND LODGE OF VIRGINIA.

December 4, 1795. The Grand Lodge sent a General Circular, notifying all Lodges that unless there was uniform representation at succeeding Communications, the Grand Lodge would revoke the Charters of delinquent Lodges. This course of proceeding was forced upon the Grand Lodge, owing to the fact that of forty-five Lodges composing the Grand Lodge, only fifteen had representations up to the October, 1793, Session, and notwithstanding former notices to the Lodges, there had been but little improvement in representation by the Lodges up to this date. An examination of the Grand Lodge Proceedings show that Lodge, No. 19, was never delinquent.

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN DIXON.

SIXTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From July 6, 1790, to June 24, 1791.

PROPOSAL OF THE SOCIETY CALLED QUAKERS TO RENT LOWER PART OF HALL.

October 9, 1796. At a meeting held this evening, the Lodge considered two letters from No. 10, in reference to renting the Masons' Hall to the Society of Quakers. A committee was appointed to confer with a committee of No. 10. The Joint Committee met and reported that they saw no reason why they should lease the lower part of this hall for five years; and

*Resolved*, That they conceive the sum proposed by the Society called Quakers entirely inadequate to the value of the lower part of the hall.

ATTENDING FUNERALS.

December 15, 1796. The Lodge resolved, that in its opinion members attending all processions should not wear any emblem of Masonry above the Third Degree, but appear in plain aprons and gloves, the officers wearing the insignia of office.

REPORT OF VISITOR OF LODGES.

November 28, 1796. In the report of Past Master Wm. Waddill, visitor of Lodges, appointed by the Grand Lodge to visit certain Lodges under its Jurisdiction, Brother Waddill says, "Visited the Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, I discovered no alteration in discipline or manner of working observed in this Lodge since my visitation in the year 1793. But I find the attendance at this meeting thin, and upon an average rather below a majority of its members, but their behavior orderly and truly Masonic."

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. H. FITZWHYLLSONN,

SEVENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24th, 1797, to June 2d, 1799.

July 5th, 1797. *An Amendment made to the By-Laws of No. 19*, provided, that should a member absent himself from the meetings for twelve months, or be in arrears to the Lodge in the sum of thirty shillings, he should thereby absolutely forfeit his seat as a member, and not be re-instated unless he paid up, and offered a *reasonable excuse*.

## PROMPT MODE OF TRYING A MEMBER.

August 10th, 1797. Worshipful Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn, being aggrieved whereupon the Lodge resolved itself into a Committee of preferred charges; the matter pro and con, and recommended that the offending member make proper concessions to Worshipful Fitzwhylsonn in open Lodge, or be suspended for three months. The concessions were made, and the Lodge closed.

## FIRST PENITENTIARY-HOUSE IN VIRGINIA—CORNER STONE LAID BY No. 19 AND No. 10.

Saturday morning, August 12th, 1797, the Worshipful Master informed the Lodges called in meeting, at Masons' Hall, that they were convened by a polite request from the Honorable Executive, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the "Penitentiary House." The two Lodges (19 and 10) formed in procession and marched to the foundation, under the direction of Brother Leighton Wood, Marshal—viz: Music; two Tylers with swords; the corner-stone carried by four brethren; hods, &c., carried by brethren; Stewards carrying corn, wine, and oil; an Apprentice with Holy Writings; and plate; brethren two and two; Senior Deacons, Secretaries of Lodges, Treasurers, Junior Wardens, Past Masters, Masters of Lodges, or Architect on the left.

The stone being laid with the usual ancient formalities by the Worshipful Masters, assisted by his Excellency, the Governor, a plate with the following inscription, was deposited therein: "The Legislature of Virginia Having Abolished the Ancient Sanguinary Criminal Code, the first Stone of a Building, the Monument of that Wisdom which, while it Punishes, Would Reform the Criminal, was Laid on the 12th day of August, in the Year 1797, And of American Independence the XXII., by the Worshipful Nathaniel W. Price, Richmond Lodge, No. 10; The Worshipful James Strange, Manchester Lodge, No. 14; The Worshipful Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn, Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19; The Worshipful James McMillan St. John's Lodge, No. 36; With the Officers and Members of the respective Lodges; The Most Worshipful Robert Brooke being G. M. A. L. 5797; His Excellency, James Wood, Governor of Virginia; Hon. Harden Burnley, Lieutenant-Governor; Carter Braxton, Merriweather Jones, John Pendleton, John Mayo, John Guerrant, and Alexander McCrea, of the Council of State; Brother BENJAMIN H. LATROBE BENVENUE, Architect." The procession then returned to the hall in the most perfect harmony and good order, where the Lodge was closed in course, or during the pleasure of the Worshipful Master.

## JERUSALEM LODGE, No. 54.

November 29th, 1797. Upon the recommendation of No. 19 the Grand Lodge issued a Charter to *Edmund Randolph, Master*; Jno. Moody, S. W.; and Alexander McCrea, J. W., to hold a Regular Lodge in Richmond, to be known as *Jerusalem Lodge, No. 54.*

## HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.

November 29th, 1797. Brother John Van Kautzman, Tyler of No. 19, and Grand Tyler to the Grand Lodge of Virginia, was honored in the Grand Lodge by the adoption of the following:

"Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer present our meritorious Brother John Van Kautzman, of Lodge No. 19, Grand Tyler of this Lodge, "a full suit of black clothes, and a cocked hat, in testimony of the sincere affection and respect with which his faithful and valuable services have inspired this Lodge."

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL ELDRIDGE HARRIS,

EIGHTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1799, to June 24, 1800.

## PAST MASTER'S JEWEL.

July 3, 1799. At this meeting of No. 19, motion was made that a committee be appointed to determine on the kind, form, &c., of a medal, to be presented to our *worshipful Past Master, Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn*, as a mark of esteem, &c., for past eminent services to the Lodge. The committee reported August 7, 1799, "That having in view the state of the funds of the Lodge, they lamented the inability of the Lodge to distinguish the particular respect they bear the eminent services of said worthy Brother, and recommended an elegant *Silver Gilt Past Master's Jewel* to be immediately made; the situation of the funds alone tending to retard one more commensurate with the feelings of its members." This was agreed to, and the presentation was subsequently made.

## FUNERAL OBSEQUIES TO LATE WORSHIPFUL BROTHER, GEORGE WASHINGTON.

"Saturday, February 22, 1800. At a called meeting of No. 19, held this day at Mason's Hall: Present, Worshipful Eldridge Harris and other officers and members of the Lodge, as well as the officers and members of the different Lodges of Richmond and Manchester, and a number of transient brethren. The Lodge being opened in the first Degree, the Worshipful Master pronounced to the brethren that they were convened pursuant to an invitation of the Military, to participate in manifesting their most profound respect and veneration to the *Manes* of our eminent and virtuous brother, George Washington, by joining other respectable bodies and institutions in solemn procession, to the performance of the funeral obsequies of our said *Illustrious Brother*. Which being done, the brethren returned in harmony, and nothing more appearing to be done, the Lodge was closed."

(Signed) S. JACOBS, Secretary.  
(Signed) ELDRIDGE HARRIS, MASTER.

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL LEIGHTON WOOD.

NINTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1800, to June 24, 1801.*

Nothing of special note having transpired during this administration, we come next to the—

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL HUMPHREY DABNEY.

TENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1801, to June 24, 1802.*

Nothing of special note having transpired during this administration, we come next to the—

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. H. FITZWHYLLSONN.

ELEVENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1802, to June 24, 1804.*

No. 19 AND THE RICHMOND BLUES.

Thursday October 21, 1802. At an occasional meeting of the Lodge, No. 19, held this afternoon in Mason's Hall, the Worshipful Master, Wm. H. Fitzwhyllsonn, informed the brethren, that they were convened for the melancholy purpose of attending the funeral of our deceased brother, Samuel Bryson. Whereupon a procession was formed, and proceeded to the late dwelling of said brother, and from thence (with a concourse of citizens, attended by "the Company of Blues," to which the deceased lately belonged) to the churchyard. When, having performed the funeral rites the body was interred, and the Lodge returned to the Hall.

MEMBERS ATTENDING THE RICHMOND RACES.

*Full and Exact Copy From the Record.*

Wednesday evening, May 4, 1803. At a stated meeting of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, held at Mason's Hall, in the city of Richmond, on Wednesday evening, May 4, A. L., 5803, A. D. 1803. Present, Worshipful

Wm. H. Fitzwhyllsonn, Master, and sundry brethren. The Worshipful Master ordered the Lodge to be closed, and continue closed, until the Lodge in course, or during his will and pleasure, in consequence of the *few members attending*, by reason of the "RICHMOND RACES" at this time.

(Signed) WM. H. FITZWHYLLSONN, MASTER.  
 BASIL WOOD, Secretary.

ENCROACHMENT UPON THE MASONIC LOT.

May 11, 1803. Michael Grantland, who lived near Mason's Hall, ran his fence close up to the western side of the hall, and claimed all the land which lies between the said western side of the hall and the cross street which bounded his lot, thus encroaching upon the Masonic property. Resolutions were passed appropriating ten dollars, for the purpose of contesting claim of said Grantland, and subsequently, (November 26th, 1803.) it was ordered that the Masonic Grounds be enclosed with a good substantial fence, Grantland's claim having been found to be worthless.

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL SOLOMON JACOBS.

TWELFTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1804, to June 24, 1807.*

No matters of particular note occurred. This administration was successful in the accession of many new members. We now come to the—

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. D. WREN.

THIRTEENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24th, 1807, to June 24th, 1808.*

Only the usual routine work marked his administration. We come again to the—

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. H. FITZWHYLLSONN.

FOURTEENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24th, 1808, to June 24th, 1809.*

The usual success and prosperity to the Lodge during his administration.

On motion, the Lodge then proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted in the re-election of Worshipful Brother Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn, and the other officers.

PROPOSED JUNCTION OF ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 36, WITH No. 19.

July 31st, 1817. At a called meeting held this evening, Worshipful Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn, Master, informed the brethren they were convened for the purpose of deliberating, and deciding on the propriety of a junction of Saint John's Lodge, No. 36, with this Lodge. The following Preamble and Resolutions were then offered by the Senior Warden, and seconded by the Junior Warden:

WHEREAS, The present inauspicious situation of our Institution, as far as the dispersed state of the Worthy Members of it is concerned, claims the serious attention of all who are desirous of promoting its welfare, and it being the opinion of this Lodge, that a reduction of the number of Lodges, and a concentration of our brethren would be advantageous; and whereas, the repeated instances of fraternal kindness, and polite attention, of the members of our Sister Lodge, No. 36, generally, has inspired a wish among us to draw more closely the endearing offices of brotherly intercourse; therefore—

*Resolved*, That the Worshipful Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn, Master; Jos A. Myers, Senior Warden, and Geo. Fletcher, Junior Warden, be, and they are hereby appointed, a Committee on the part of this Lodge, to wait upon said Lodge, No. 36, and in the warmest and most affectionate manner, to invite the members of said Lodge, without exception, to join and become members of this Lodge. An event, in the opinion of this Lodge, which will highly contribute to the establishment of the Craft in this city, in its pristine purity and respectability. The question being on the said Preamble and Resolutions, they were unanimously adopted.

ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 36, JOINS No. 19.

October, 27th, 1817. At this meeting, "the Worshipful Master, Wm. H. Fitzwhylsonn, informed the Lodge that the first business before them was receiving the report of Lodge No 36, upon the late resolution of this Lodge, which being read, it was unanimously ordered, that all the members of our late sister Lodge, No. 36, be, and they are hereby, received and elected as members of this Lodge, and their names be forthwith recorded as follows: Worshipful John J. Johnston, Master; Reuben Johnston, John Dove, John R. Jones, Sam'l Cary, Jno. Ewing, M. C. Lackland, Reuben Ragland, Geo. Booker, Francis Word, H. L. Billings, Zac Clark, Henry Anderson, Henry Butler, Wm. R. Boulware, Jno. Bootwright, Lewis Minor, Marcellus Smith, Geo. Dabney, Robt. C. Williams and John A. Lancaster. At the same meeting it was ordered by the Worshipful Master, that the members of our late sister Lodge, No. 36, who have, or may join us, be permitted to do so, free from the expense and charges named in Article 3, Section 4, of our By-Laws." Also a committee was appointed to wait upon Brother Johnston, and purchase such Masonic furniture, as to them may seem necessary. And on motion of Brother John Dove,

*Resolved*, That all unfinished business of our late sister Lodge, No. 36, relative to passing and raising, be finished by this Lodge, free of expense. Tiler's fee excepted.

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL THOMAS DIDDEY.

FIFTEENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24th, 1809, to June 24th, 1810.

Which was prosperous, and we come again to the—

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. D. WREN.

SIXTEENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24th, 1810, to June 24th, 1811.

VISIT OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

December 5, 1810. At this meeting the Worshipful Solomon Jacobs, District Deputy Grand Master, was announced and received in the Lodge in his official character. In pursuance of his duty he made some appropriate remarks, and urged some impressive words of admonition.

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. H. FITZWHYLSONN.

SEVENTEENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24th, 1811, to June 24th, 1819.

DURING THE WAR OF 1812.

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 No meetings of No. 19, from June 23rd, 1812, until December 6th, 1816, when, at a called meeting, held in Masons Hall, Worshipful Brother Fitzwhylsonn, who was the person last chosen Master, informed the brethren that from a variety of causes, there had not been a meeting of the Lodge since the time the Masons Hall was taken possession of by the public, and converted into a hospital, which was about the latter part of August, 1814, and that as the meeting of the Grand Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, was near at hand, with the advice of some other brethren, he conceived it proper to request the present meeting. Worshipful Brother Fitzwhylsonn, was requested to resume the chair, which request he complied with, and appointed the brethren last elected to their respective offices.



## A CHRISTMAS BALL.

December 17th, 1817. At this meeting the following committee was appointed to *make arrangements for a ball*, to be given December 27th: Committee; the Most Worshipful Archibald Magill, G. M. G. Lodge of Virginia; Geo. Cabell, John J. Johnston, Jos. A. Myers, John Dove, R. C. Williams and H. L. Billings.

LAYING CORNER-STONE OF NEW CHURCH—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH  
ON RICHMOND HILL.

June 24th, 1818. A stated meeting was held this day, Worshipful Wm. H. Fitzwhylson, Master of No. 19, and other officers, present. Also present, the members of this Lodge, and a large number of brethren from Manchester Lodge, No. 14, Richmond Lodge, No. 10, and Jerusalem Lodge, No. 54, together with a number of visiting brethren from this and other States. The Lodge being duly opened in the First Degree of Masonry, the Worshipful Master informed the brethren, that they had been convened for the purpose of laying the Corner Stone of St. John's Church, a building to be erected in Richmond, for the use of the PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL SOCIETY OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND. The procession was then formed and proceeded to the Old Church on Richmond Hill, where an appropriate address was delivered by our Rev. Brother Wm. Henry Hart, after which the Lodges proceeded to the site\* chosen for the New Church, and amidst a large concourse of citizens, laid the Stone in ancient form, and returned to the Lodge room in Masons' Hall. On motion,

*Resolved*, unanimously, that Brother Allen McRea, John Warrock, John Dove and John H. Robinson, members of Lodges Nos. 19, 10, 54 and 14, be, and they are hereby, appointed to wait on, and solicit of our highly respected Brother Wm. H. Hart, a copy of the very Masonic and impressive address, delivered by him this day in the church, commemorative of the occasion which convened us, for the purpose of its publication and preservation in the archives of the Lodge. The Lodge then closed in due form.

LODGE PHYSICIANS TO ATTEND DISTRESSED BROTHER MASTER  
MASON, THEIR FAMILIES AND THE FAMILIES OF  
DECEASED BROTHERS.

May 10th, 1819. At this meeting, a Preamble was submitted, setting forth the serious evil, and great sufferings, frequently resulting to distressed brother Masons, their families, and to the families of deceased brothers, when languishing on beds of sickness, from their inability to compensate regular physicians, and indisposition to appeal to charity. The Lodge resolved to appoint one or more physicians to attend all such cases, and said physicians were allowed to draw on the "Special Charity Fund," for the purchase of such medicines as were used; and for their services they were exempt from payment of annual dues. The Lodge physicians appointed were Brothers Dove, Cabell, and Henning, who cheerfully accepted the trust.

\*We are informed by reliable authority that the "site" here spoken of was on the corner of Broad and Twenty-third streets, Church Hill. The building was so far completed as to cover in the roof, when the parties having the matter in hand, for reasons satisfactory to themselves, but not now known, abandoned the enterprise, and removed the material to some other point. Mr. Wm. Catlin became the possessor of the lot, and built thereon a fine family residence, which was subsequently purchased by Mr. John W. Fergusson, and in which he now resides. Some part of the foundation—and probably the corner-stone—is there now.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOSEPH A. MYERS.

EIGHTEENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24th, 1819, to Sept. 29th, 1819.

June, 23rd, 1819. *Brothers John J. Johnson, Reuben Johnson and John Dove*, committee of Lodge, No. 36, presented to Lodge No. 19, in behalf of the late Lodge, No. 56, a beautiful piece of penmanship, expressive of their *Unity and Love towards No. 19*, which the Lodge received, and expressed her gratitude, through the Worshipful Master, in a suitable manner.

## THANKS TO PAST MASTER FITZWHYLSON.

At this meeting, on motion, it was—

*Resolved*, That Brothers John J. Johnson, Dove, and Cabell, be appointed a committee, to tender the grateful thanks of this Lodge, to our worthy and highly respected brother, PAST MASTER Wm. H. FITZWHYLSON, for the *able, dignified and impartial manner in which he has conducted the workings of this Lodge, for the last twenty-eight years*; accompanied with our warmest wishes, for the continuance of that portion of health which he at present enjoys.

## A FAITHFUL OFFICER.

September 23, 1819. A committee appointed to act in conjunction with the Master of No. 10, and close with Worshipful Master Wm. H. Fitzwhylson, of No. 19, all his unsettled accounts with Nos. 19 and 10, reported that they had performed that duty, which, though embracing a series of thirteen years, was, owing to the careful and very strict attention of Brother Fitzwhylson, performed by them with great ease in the space of a few minutes. They found a balance of \$291.87½ in favor of said Lodges, which he promptly tendered them.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL GEORGE CABELL,

NINETEENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From September 29, 1819, to June 29, 1819.

## FESTIVAL OF ST. JOHN.

December 27, 1819. Arrangements having been made by Nos. 19, 10, and 14 for the celebration of St. John's Day, by a "Masonic Ball at the Eagle Hotel, No. 19 met at Masons' Hall and adjourned to meet the same evening at Eagle Hotel at 6 o'clock. The Lodge met agreeable to adjournment, at the said Hotel, and having formed a procession, marched into the room with her sister Lodges, for the purpose of *enjoying themselves*."

## APPLICATION OF CHAPTER No. 3.

January 20, 1820. Brother John Dove and Geo. Cabell, a Committee from Chapter No. 3, presented No. 19 and No. 10 Lodges with \$140, with request that said Chapter be allowed to meet in Masons' Hall on some evening not used by No. 19. March 22, 1820, the Chapter No. 3 was allotted Monday evenings for their meetings.

## DESTRUCTIVE FIRE IN THE TOWN OF SAVANNAH, GA.

January 26, 1820. The Lodge appropriated \$100 for the relief of distressed Brother Masons, by the fire in Savannah, Ga., and appointed Brothers Hart, Jones, Fitzwhylson, Cabell, Dove, Williams, and Lancaster, to confer with other Lodges, and solicit relief generally. Six hundred dollars were collected and sent to the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Georgia, who acknowledged the same.

## THE RICHMOND SUNDAY-SCHOOL UNION.

March 30, 1820. This Society having asked permission of Nos. 19 and 10 to use the lower room of Masons' Hall, on Sundays, as a school room, the same was granted.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN DOVE,

TWENTIETH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1820, to June 24, 1821.

## DISPENSATIONS OF GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

January 17, 1821. At this meeting the following resolutions, offered by Brother E. Brown, were ordered to lie over until the next stated meeting, viz:

*Resolved*, That this Lodge views, with deep regret, the frequent applications in this city of Richmond, for dispensations to initiate in the Mysteries of Free Masonry, while there are three regular Lodges, possessing all legal power to perform any Masonic act, under their own Laws.

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this Lodge, that no officer of the Grand Lodge of Virginia has any right to issue a dispensation requiring this Lodge to violate or suspend any of her By-Laws.

*Resolved*, That this Lodge will not record any proceedings had under authority of a dispensation on the books of this Lodge.  
(The minutes do not show that these resolutions were ever considered or acted on.)

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL GEORGE CABELL,

TWENTY-FIRST MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1821, to June 24, 1822.

June 23, 1821. At this meeting "the unanimous thanks of the Lodge was tendered Worshipful Past Master Jno. J. Johnston, for the beautiful and appropriate engraving of the likeness of General George Washington, the First Grand Master of Virginia, and Father of his Country."

ST. JOHN'S DAY, 1821.

June 24, 1821. This being St. JOHN'S DAY, it was celebrated by a sermon from the Chaplain, Rev. Wm. H. Hart, at the "Old Church." The Lodge marched in procession to the church, attended with a band of music, after which the Lodge returned to the Hall to a "frugal feast," at the aggregate expense of \$24, to be divided by four Lodges—Nos. 19, 10, 14, and 54.

## BIBLE AND BOOK OF CONSTITUTION.

October 10, 1821. At this meeting "It was resolved that the Lodge receive, with much pleasure, the BIBLE AND BOOK OF CONSTITUTIONS presented this evening by Worshipful Brother John Dove, as the bequest of our late, much-esteemed and lamented brother, Reuben Johnson, and that they be retained and preserved as a truly valued memorial, of a departed and very worthy brother.

## PAST MASTER'S JEWEL TO BROTHER DOVE.

December 5, 1821. On motion—

*Resolved*. That a committee of three be appointed, to procure and PRESENT TO OUR WORSHIPFUL BROTHER, JOHN DOVE, A PAST MASTER'S JEWEL, with suitable inscriptions, as A TOKEN of the high consideration in which this Lodge holds his eminent services to the Craft in general, more particularly to this Lodge, while he presided over it as Master."

January 30, 1822. The above resolution was so amended as to require that the committee deposit said Jewel in the Lodge, to be presented by the Worshipful Master in open Lodge; and—

April 3, 1822. The Worthy Master, Geo. Cabell, presented to the Worshipful John Dove, Past Master, a Past Master's Jewel, accompanied with an appropriate address. Worshipful Brother Dove received this mark of esteem, and responded in fitting terms.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN G. WILLIAMS,

TWENTY-SECOND MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1822, to June 24, 1823.

June 22, 1822. St. John's Day was celebrated jointly, by Nos. 19, 10, and 54, by marching in procession to "Monumental Church," to hear "Masonic sermons," from Rev. Brothers John Buchanan, and Wm. H. Hart; after

which the Lodges marched to "*Buchanan's Spring*," and partook of an elegant dinner, at which the utmost harmony and brotherly love prevailed. The procession returned to the Lodge room and closed in due form.

#### JERUSALEM LODGE, No. 54.

November 27, 1822. *Jerusalem Lodge*, No. 54, was permitted to hold its meetings in Masonic Hall, on Saturday nights, at a rental of \$50 per annum.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL BLAIR BOLLING,

TWENTY-THIRD MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1823, to June 24, 1824.

#### ST. JOHN'S DAY, 1823.

June 24, 1823. *St. John's Day* was celebrated by a Masonic Oration, delivered by Worshipful Brother A. P. Upshur, in the "*Hall of the House of Delegates*," and a dinner at "*Mitchell's Spring*."

#### ADMINISTRATION OF RICHARD A. CARRINGTON,

TWENTY-FOURTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1824, to June 24, 1826.

#### WORSHIPFUL BROTHER GENERAL LAFAYETTE.

October 6, 1824. At a stated meeting of No. 19, held this evening at Masons' Hall, a communication was received from Richmond Lodge, No. 10, through Worshipful Brother John Dove, concerning suitable arrangements for the reception of *Illustrious Worshipful Brother Lafayette*. A preamble and resolutions were offered by Worshipful Brother Fitzwhylson, and unanimously adopted, appointing a committee to confer with committees of sister Lodges, and to carry into effect such measures as may be deemed by them proper for paying due respect to our illustrious brother, General Lafayette, when he shall have arrived in this city, and directing the Tiler to draw upon the Treasurer for any expenses attending the illumination of Masons' Hall.

#### RECEPTION, &c, TO WORSHIPFUL GENERAL LAFAYETTE.

Saturday October 30, 1824. At a called meeting of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, held at Masons' Hall, in the city of Richmond, Present: Worshipful R. A. Carrington, Master; George Ives, Senior Warden; W.

C. Brudish, Junior Warden; J. A. Carrington, Secretary; E. Brown, Treasurer *pro tem*; George Pollard, Senior Deacon; S. C. Nichols, Junior Deacon, *pro tem*; S. Barrett, Steward and Tiler. Worshipful Brothers: George Cabell, Sol. Jacobs, J. A. Myers, W. D. Wren, R. Bolling, W. H. Hart, J. J. Johnston, R. G. Scott, W. H. Fitzwhylson, and J. G. Williams. Brothers: A. Buchanan, W. H. Henning, George Fletcher, E. Willey, J. M. Armistead, Henry Anderson, William Pearson, John Minor Bots, and H. Baber, visitors, and a number of brethren from Nos 10 and 14 and other Lodges. The Lodge was opened in the First Degree of Masonry in due form. On motion of Worshipful Brother Cabell, seconded by Brother Ives, Worshipful Brother LAFAYETTE was unanimously elected an HONORARY MEMBER OF THIS LODGE. On motion of Brother Ives, seconded by Worshipful Brother Cabell, Brother GEORGE WASHINGTON LAFAYETTE (a nephew of General Lafayette) was unanimously elected an HONORARY MEMBER OF THIS LODGE. On motion of Brother Anderson, seconded by Brother Henning, Brother LA VASSEUR was unanimously elected an HONORARY MEMBER OF THIS LODGE. Brother J. A. Lancaster, Treasurer, appeared and took his seat. Brother R. Adams, Junior Deacon, appeared and took his seat. The Lodge was then called from Labor to refreshments. The Lodge, after having joined in a procession, proceeded to the Union Hotel (corner of Main and Nineteenth streets) to partake of a dinner provided in compliment to Brother General Lafayette. The Lodge then escorted that Brother to his lodgings, at the "Eagle Hotel," and returned to the Masons' Hall and resumed labors. No further business appearing, the Lodge was closed in due form and harmony.

(Signed) R. A. CARRINGTON, MASTER.

J. A. CARRINGTON, Secretary.

The signatures of all of the foregoing elected Honorary Members, appear on the recorded By-Laws of No. 19, preceding the record of this meeting and reception.

#### CERTIFICATES OF HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

November 3, 1824. On motion made and seconded, it was—

*Resolved*, That the Master and Wardens of No. 19 be, and they are hereby authorized and required to procure appropriate Certificates of Membership, written on parchment, and present them to the brethren recently elected Honorary Members.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN G. WILLIAMS,

TWENTY-FIFTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1826, to June 24, 1828.

The Lodge was prosperous during this administration. Nothing occurring of note, we come next to the—

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN A. CARRINGTON,

TWENTY-SIXTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1828, to June 24, 1830.

The Lodge was in good condition during this administration. Nothing occurring of note we come to the—

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOS. A. MYERS.

TWENTY-SEVENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1830, to June 24, 1832.

## FUNERAL OBSEQUIES IN HONOR OF THE MEMORY OF JAMES MONROE, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

At a called meeting of the Lodge, held Monday, July 25, 1831—present: Worshipful Jos. A. Myers, and officers, and brethren of the Lodge, sundry officers and brethren of Lodges Nos. 10, 14, and 54—the Lodge was duly opened in the first degree, and the Worshipful Master informed the brethren that they were called together for the purpose of uniting with their fellow-citizens in a procession, in honor of the memory of their departed friend and distinguished fellow-citizen, JAMES MONROE, President of the United States, and that the Right Worshipful, ROBERT G. SCOTT, Past Grand Master, had consented to preside over the Lodge on this occasion. The Worshipful Master then resigned the chair to the Right Worshipful Robert G. Scott. The procession was formed, and proceeded, with their fellow-citizens, to the Capitol Square, where a funeral oration was delivered by ROBERT SPANARD, Esq. The brethren then reformed the procession, and returned to the hall. On motion—

“Resolved, That the thanks of this Lodge and of the members of the Fraternity, who have united with us in paying the last tribute of respect to the memory of their distinguished fellow-citizen, James Monroe, President of the United States, be tendered to Capt. John B. Richardson, and through him to the officers, members, and musicians of the RICHMOND LAFAYETTE ARTILLERY, for their polite attention and friendly and kind offices rendered by them on this occasion.”

No further business appearing, the Lodge was closed in due form and harmony.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. F. LEE.

TWENTY-EIGHTH MASTER OF No. 19.

CHOLERA 1832.

August 3, 1832. Application was made by the Board of Health for permission to use the Masonic Hall Building as a cholera hospital. The Lodge resolved itself into a committee of the whole, for the purpose of conferring with Lodge No. 10 on the subject. Brother Lancaster, from said committee, reported that they had come to no conclusion, and, on motion, No. 19 resolved, that, for reasons which had been suggested to the Lodge, it was not necessary at this time to use this hall as a cholera hospital.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN DOVE.

TWENTY-NINTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1834, to June 24, 1836.

## DEATH OF WORSHIPFUL BROTHER GEN. LAFAYETTE.

Monday, June 23, 1834. At this meeting the following preamble and resolutions were offered by Brother Geo. W. Dixon, and unanimously adopted:

“WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God to take from us our worthy and estimable WORSHIPFUL BROTHER GENERAL LAFAYETTE, who died on the 20th of May, 1834; and, whereas, the Lodge, entertaining in common with the citizens of this and the Old Country, a high sense of his moral worth, purely patriotic principles, and devotion to the rights of man;

“Resolved, That we will, at such time and place as may be designated by the citizens and military of Richmond, join in a procession in memory of our deceased Worshipful Brother Lafayette.

“Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to communicate the foregoing preamble and resolution to our sister Lodges, Nos. 10 and 14, and invite them to unite with us. Brothers Geo. W. Dixon, Richard O. Haskins, and Edward Garland, Committee.

Resolved, That the above committee wait upon the citizens and military with a copy of the foregoing resolutions.

## RICHMOND LIGHT INFANTRY BLUES.

July 2, 1835. At this called meeting, for the purpose of paying the last tribute of respect, by attending the funeral of late worthy Brother MAJOR JAMES GIBBONS, the Lodge passed a resolution of thanks to the RICHMOND LIGHT INFANTRY BLUES, through their Captain, Brother THOMAS BIGGER, for their polite attention to the Fraternity, and the use of their band of music on this occasion.

## IN MEMORIAM

OF LATE WORTHY BROTHER JOHN MARSHALL, CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE UNITED STATES, AND LATE GRAND MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF VIRGINIA.

Thursday, July 9th, 1835. At this called meeting, *Worshipful Brother John Porce, Master* of the Lodge, announced that the Lodge had been convened for the purpose of paying the last sad tribute of respect to our late WORTHY BROTHER JOHN MARSHALL, CHIEF JUSTICE, and late MASTER OF THE GRAND LODGE OF VIRGINIA. The procession was formed and moved to the COUNTY COURTHOUSE, where they met the body, and thence proceeded to the house of the deceased, on the corner of Marshall and Ninth streets, where a suitable discourse was delivered by the Right Rev. R. C. Moore, thence to Hollywood burial ground, where the body was interred with the usual Masonic honors.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL RICHARD O. HASKINS,

THIRTIETH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1836, to June 24, 1840.

## DEATH OF PAST GRAND MASTER WM. H. FITZWHYLLSONN.

Initiated and became a member of No. 19, June 20th, 1791.

Seventh Master of No. 19 from	June 24, 1797, to	June 24, 1799.
Eleventh " "	" "	" " 1804.
Fourteenth " "	" "	" " 1808.
Seventeenth " "	" "	" " 1811.
Died	June 21, 1837.	

The Lodge met pursuant to call, this, Thursday morning, June 22, 1837. Present: Worshipful Master Richard O. Haskins, and officers and members of the Lodge. Visitors: Officers and members generally of sister Lodges, Nos. 10 and 14, and sundry transient visitors. An Entered Apprentice Lodge was duly opened, when the Worshipful Master informed the brethren that the Lodge was convened for the purpose of paying the last sad tribute of respect to our deceased worthy and estimable brother, PAST GRAND MASTER WILLIAM H. FITZWHYLLSONN. Worshipful Brother John Dove, Brother J. C. McCabe, and Most Worshipful Past Grand Master David W. Patteson, appeared, and were invited to take seats in the East. Worshipful Brother John Dove was requested to attend to the ceremonies of the occasion. The procession was then formed, and proceeded to the dwelling of our deceased brother, and thence to the grave, where the body was interred in usual Masonic form, after which the Lodge returned to the hall.

## ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

March 27, 1838. At this called meeting, No. 19 received a communication from the Vestry of St. James Church, through John Williams, Secretary of

the Vestry, *inviting the Lodge to lay the corner-stone of their new Church*, April 22, 1838, at the south-west intersection of I and Fifth streets, which invitation was accepted, and a committee consisting of Worshipful Brother John Dove, Rev. Worshipful Brother Wm. H. Hart, and Brother James Evans, was appointed, with power to draw upon the Treasurer for such sums as they may deem necessary. The corner-stone was laid by No. 19, April 22, 1838.

## A HANDSOME CHANDELLER FOR THE HALL.

May 2, 1838. At this meeting, the thanks of the Vestry of St. James Church were tendered, through John Williams, Secretary of the Vestry, to Lodge, No. 19, for the *"very handsome"*, and spirited manner, in which Lodge No. 19 complied with their request to lay the corner stone of the new Church. And through James Beale, John Williams G. Persico, and John C. McCabe, Vestry of St. James Church, a very handsome, and appropriate chandelier was presented to No. 19 and No. 10, to be suspended in their Lodge-room."

## ST. JOHN'S LODGE, No. 35.

January 11, 1839. At this meeting, the Worshipful Master, R. O. Haskins, informed the brethren that it was called for the purpose of recommending to the *Worshipful Grand Lodge of Virginia* the *petition of sundry brethren, who apply for the revival of the Charter of St. John's Lodge, No. 36.* And on motion of Worshipful John Dove, it was *Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Worshipful Grand Lodge that the petition be granted.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL THOMAS U. DUDLEY.

THIRTY-FIRST MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1840, to June 24, 1841.

## LAYING CORNER-STONE OF "THE VIRGINIA INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF, DUMB AND BLIND."

June 10, 1840. A letter of invitation to lay the corner-stone of the Virginia Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, on the 1st July, 1840, at Staunton, was received from the Worshipful Master, J. W. Smith, and accepted.

## DISTRIBUTION OF GRAND CHARITY FUNDS.

April 28, 1840. A letter was received from a Committee of Portsmouth Naval Lodge, upon the subject of a Convention, to be held at Suffolk, Va., to take into consideration the *distribution of the Grand Charity Fund of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.* No. 19 *Resolved*, That this Lodge dissents from the views of Portsmouth Lodge, and declines going into Convention on the subject.

this Hall to the site selected, and perform their labors with the usual ceremonies. The Lodge then formed a procession, and proceeded to the place selected and performed their labor, and returned to the Hall. The Worshipful Master informed the brethren that, while at the grounds, Mr. ABRAM LEVY presented him FIFTY DOLLARS IN GOLD, and which was by him handed to the Grand Treasurer, and by him passed to the Treasurer of the FEMALE HUMANE ASSOCIATION.

A CONNECTING LINK BETWEEN THE PAST AND PRESENT.

It is deemed appropriate to introduce, at this date, a connecting link between the past and present, in the person of our present Grand Secretary, Right Worshipful William Bryan Isaacs. He was initiated into the secrets of Freemasonry in this Lodge on the 14th day of September, 1842, and has continued his membership to the present time. He is now the oldest Mason, as a Mason, now a member of this Lodge.

WORKING IN THE MASTER'S DEGREE.

February 18, 1843. THIS MEETING WAS OPENED IN THE MASTER MASON DEGREE, IN OBEDIENCE TO THE ORDERS OF THE GRAND LODGE,—THAT THEN AND THEREAFTER IT SHOULD DO SO, EXCEPT FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONFERRING THE FIRST and Second Degrees, and lecturing on the same.

UNIFORM MASONIC WORK.

May 24, 1843. At this called meeting *Worshipful John Dove* took the chair, and EXEMPLIFIED THE WORK *as agreed upon by the Convention of Representatives of the Grand Lodge in the United States*, adopting a uniform mode of work throughout the United States.

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL THOMAS TYLER.

THIRTY-FOURTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From January 31, 1844, to June 24, 1845.

PUBLIC PROCESSION, ORATION, AND DINNER—ST. JOHN'S DAY.

May 1, 1844. At this meeting, the Committee of 19, appointed to confer with Nos. 10, 14, and 36, reported, as the action of the joint conference, that the celebration of St. John's Day should be a *public procession*, oration, and dinner, to which should be invited the officers of the Grand Lodge of Virginia. Also, it was

*Resolved*, That a public installation of the officers of Nos. 10, 14 and 36 should be had in the Hall, to which tickets of admission would be issued to ladies and other guests.

“This resolution was adopted with a view to interest that CORINTHIAN ORDER OF CREATION, whose influence is so potent in the accomplishment of all that is great and good.”

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL EDWARD S. GAY.

THIRTY-SECOND MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1841, to September 1, 1841.

September 1, 1841. At this meeting, an election was held to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Worshipful Edward S. Gay, Master, and Brother James Evans was elected.

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JAMES EVANS.

THIRTY-THIRD MASTER OF No. 19.

From September 1, 1841, to January 3, 1844.

June 15, 1842. The Committee to examine the Treasurer's accounts say “they cannot close their report without congratulating the Lodge upon the prosperous condition of its finances, and the general prosperity of the Lodge, and particularly the faithful and concise manner in which our Treasurer, John A. Lancaster, has, for many years, performed the duties of his office, bringing down his accounts to the transactions of his twenty-fourth year as Treasurer in a very correct and perfect manner.”

CELEBRATION OF ST. JOHN'S DAY.

June 24, 1842. At this meeting, present all the officers and members, and many visitors from Lodges Nos. 10, 14, and 36, and transient brethren generally. In accordance with arrangements previously made, a *suitable address was delivered by our Worshipful Brother, John Dove*. The Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, and then from refreshment, when the thanks of the Lodge were tendered Worshipful Brother John Dove for the very appropriate Masonic address delivered this day.

No. 19 LAYING THE CORNER-STONE OF THE FEMALE ORPHAN ASYLUM.

Friday, July 8, 1842. On this day the Lodge convened at Masons' Hall. Present, Worshipful Master James Evans, and other officers and members; also members of Nos. 10, 14, and 36, and transient brethren generally. The Worshipful Master informed the brethren that they were summoned here to-day in the character of *operative Masons, to lay the corner-stone of an edifice to be erected for the Female Orphan Asylum of this city*, by invitation of the executors of our late Brother Edward Walls, who, by his last will and testament, bequeathed funds for that purpose; that Most Worshipful Past Grand Master Robert G. Scott had been invited to lay the corner-stone, and deliver a suitable address for the occasion; that the Lodge will repair from

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LAYING CORNER STONE OF PUBLIC HALL.

July 13, 1848. The Lodge assisted in laying the corner-stone of the "Richmond Firemen's, Artillery Gun, and Public Hall," on Ninth street. "A suitable address was delivered by Worshipful Brother John Dove, after which the Lodge marched to Firemen's Hall, to partake of a collation."

FUNERAL OBSEQUIES IN HONOR OF THE MEMORY OF JAMES K. POLK, LATE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Tuesday, October 30, 1849. At this called meeting of the Lodge, held at the Masons' Hall, Present, Wm. B. Isaacs, Master *pro tem.*, other officers, members, Worshipful Brothers John Dove and Robert G. Scott, and others, visiting members of Lodges Nos. 10, 14 and 36, and transient brethren generally, the Worshipful Master informed the brethren that the Lodge had been convened for the purpose of joining in the procession, paying public honor to the MEMORY OF OUR DECEASED BROTHER, WORSHIPFUL JAMES K. POLK, LATE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES. The procession was then formed, and marched to the station assigned them in the line. The procession then marched to the AFRICAN CHURCH, where an address was delivered by our WORSHIPFUL BROTHER JOHN Y. MASON. After the address, the procession was re-formed, and returned to the Lodge, when, after refreshments, the Lodge closed in due and ancient form.

LAYING CORNER-STONE OF THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT.

February 22, 1850. The Lodge joined in the ceremonies of laying the corner-stone of the WASHINGTON MONUMENT, erected in the Capitol Square, in this city. At night a grand Masonic ball was given by Lodges Nos. 19, 10 and 36.

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. B. ISAACS.

THIRTY-EIGHTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1850, to June 24, 1853.

LOGE FRANÇAISE.

August 21, 1850. At this meeting of No. 19, "the petition of a Lodge, to be opened on Shockoe Hill, designated by the name of 'Loge Française,' was received, and the following endorsed thereon:

"Be it resolved by Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, that the prayer of the within petitioners be recommended to the Most Worshipful Grand Master, and that the petitioners be vouched for as Master Masons."

WORKING COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

October 16, 1850. At this meeting, the following embodied in resolutions, recorded:  
"That the Worshipful Master appoint, at this meeting, and regularly at

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ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN MCCONNELL.

THIRTY-FIFTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1845, to June 24, 1847.

COLD COLLATIONS, &c.

August 6, 1845. The Lodge "Resolved, That a Committee of one, from each Lodge, be appointed to provide a cold collation at the Hall, dispensing with all liquors, except porter or other malt liquors, and provide music instead."

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN DOVE.

THIRTY-SIXTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1847, to June 24, 1848.

"THE PUBLIC PARADE OF 1845."

October 20, 1847. At this meeting, the Record says: "The appearance of the *Masonic Body* before the public, on the 10th of December, 1845, having greatly benefited the Institution, and believing that all processions of the like character, of intelligence and respectability, have an influence on the public mind in favor of any Society professing Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth, it was "Resolved, To have another public procession on December 10, 1847, the Grand Lodge to preside."

ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL RICHARD O. HASKINS.

THIRTY-SEVENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1848, to June 24, 1850.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

June 14, 1848. At this meeting a resolution of thanks was tendered Brother John A. Lancaster, for the thirty years' faithful services as Treasurer of the Lodge, and he was elected an Honorary Member of the Lodge.

ST. JOHN'S DAY.

June 19, 1847. A communication was received from St. John's Lodge, No. 86, inviting No. 19 to the celebration of St. John the Baptist, to be held at their Lodge Hall, June 24th; a collation, and Masonic address by Most Worshipful Grand Master S. S. Baxter.

every quarterly meeting, five brethren, who shall be styled the *Working Committee*, whose duty it shall be—1st. Whenever a petition is presented to the Lodge, the Committee shall inquire into the character and standing of the petitioner. 2d. They shall lecture all brethren who may wish to take either of the degrees. 3d. At any meeting, the Master may call upon them to exemplify their mode and manner of lecture and work. It was also resolved to advertise the stated and called meetings of the Lodge in the *Whig* and *Enquirer*.

#### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

November 5, 1851. At this meeting, *Worshipful Brother Wm. B. Isaacs* was recommended by No. 19 as *District Deputy Grand Master*. Brother Isaacs was appointed at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

#### RICHMOND ENCAMPMENT, No. 2.

December 31, 1851. At this meeting, permission was granted Richmond Encampment, No. 2, to make use of the north-east room adjoining the Lodge room, in Masons' Hall, as an Armory.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. C. TOMPKINS.

THIRTY-NINTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1853, to June 24, 1854.*

#### FIRE AT "BOSHER'S HALL.

August 17, 1853. A fire at Boshers's Hall, corner of Ninth and Main streets, having consumed most of the furniture of Lodges Nos. 36, 51 and 53, and Lafayette Chapter, No. 43, the Lodge at this meeting, tendered them the use of the Lodge room and Chapter room, in Masons' Hall, as long as it suited their convenience.

#### VISIT FROM DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

August 30, 1854. At this meeting, *Worshipful Brother Wm. B. Isaacs* was presented as District Deputy Grand Master, and saluted accordingly, when he delivered an appropriate address to the Lodge.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN C. PAGE, JR.

FORTIETH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1854, to June 24, 1856.*

#### DISPENSATION FOR "LODGE No. 130."

May 30, 1855. At this meeting, the following named brethren were recommended by No. 19 to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Virginia for a Dispensation to institute a new Lodge on Church Hill—viz: Rev. Brother

Francis T. Boggs, as Master; Brother Chas. J. Sinton, Senior Warden; and Brother B. T. Chalk, Junior Warden. This Lodge was granted a Charter at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN IOE, JR.

FORTY-FIRST MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1856, to January 27, 1858.*

#### CORNER-STONE OF METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, IN SIDNEY.

August 19 1856. At this meeting an invitation was received and accepted from *Dove Lodge, No. 51*, inviting No. 19 to assist in laying the corner-stone of a Methodist Episcopal Church, in Sidney, western extension of Main street Richmond city, August 25th, 1856. The Lodge joined with No. 51, and the corner-stone was laid with the usual Masonic ceremonies.

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN W. BRANSFORD.

FORTY-SECOND MASTER OF No. 19.

*From January 27, 1858, to June 24, 1859.*

Nothing of special note occurring during this administration, we next come to the

#### ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. T. ALLEN.

FORTY-THIRD MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1859, to June 24, 1862.*

#### LAYING CORNER-STONE OF "TRINITY M. E. CHURCH."

Monday, May 28, 1860. At a called meeting of No. 19, this day—present, *Worshipful Wm. T. Allen*, Master, and officers and members of the Lodge; also members and visitors of Lodges Nos. 10, 14, 36, 51, 53, 130, 162, 168, and 184, and transient brethren generally—a Master's Lodge was opened, the District Deputy Grand Master, *John F. Regnault*, presiding. The *Worshipful* Master informed the brethren that the Lodge had been convened for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of "the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church," corner of Broad and Twentieth streets. A procession was then formed, escorted by the Knights Templar, and marched from the Hall to the ground where the Church was to be built, when the corner-stone was laid with the usual Masonic ceremonies. After the ceremonies, an address was delivered by the Rev. *Worshipful Brother John D. Blackwell*.



## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL ROBERT T. REYNOLDS.

FORTY-FOURTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1862, to June 24, 1864.

## BURIAL OF OFFICERS OF "THE CONFEDERATE STATES" ARMY.

June 23, 1862. A meeting was called, and the Lodge, in procession, proceeded to Mr. Charles Lumsden's, on Main street, to pay the last sad tribute of respect to our deceased brother *John B. Watson*, of Alabama, aged 29 years, Lieutenant in the Confederate Army. The remains were escorted to "Oakwood Cemetery," and interred with usual Masonic ceremonies.

October 27, 1863. A meeting was called, this day, to pay the last sad tribute of respect to our deceased brother, *Captain Edward W. Branch*, of the "Richmond Grays," killed in a skirmish in Culpeper county, August 1, 1863. The Lodge, in procession, marched to "Monumental Church," where appropriate services were held, and from thence to "City Burying Ground," where the body was interred with the usual Masonic ceremonies.

HENRICO UNION LODGE, No. 130.

November 7, 1863. At this meeting, the following was adopted:

"Resolved, That this Lodge cordially invites *Henrico Union Lodge*, No. 130, to meet in this Hall as long as that Lodge may think proper."

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JOHN LATOUCHE.

FORTY-FIFTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1864, to June 24, 1866.

## "HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE."

December 24, 1864. The Lodge, "in consideration of the amount of service rendered the Craft by *Right Worshipful John Dove*, he having been a contributing member of No. 19 for half a century,

"Resolved, That he be elected an Honorary Member of the Lodge, and that a copy of the resolution be furnished him by the Secretary."

January 17, 1865. *Right Worshipful John Dove* appeared at this meeting, and thanked the Lodge for the honor conferred upon him, but said he preferred remaining a contributing member, as to accept the honorary membership, he would thereby be deprived of being a working and contributing member of No. 19, being now an honorary member of *St. John's Lodge*, No. 35.

February 27, 1865. The Lodge

"Resolved, That in consideration of the long and valuable services rendered this Lodge, *Right Worshipful Brother John Dove* be presented with a Grand Lodge Diploma, at the expense of the Lodge."

And February 20, 1866, a resolution was unanimously adopted, making "Right Worshipful *John Dove* an Honorary Member of No. 19, for life."

## CODE OF BY-LAWS.

May 16, 1865. At this meeting, it was "Resolved, That the Code of By-Laws of 1857 be re-adopted, with the following addition: 'All fees and dues to the Lodge must be paid in specie, or its equivalent'."

Also, "Resolved, That all dues standing on the books of the Lodge, up to date, be cancelled and that the Treasurer shall charge to each member one dollar in specie, or its equivalent, at its stated meeting in June."

## "MASONIC SCHOOL."

June 19, 1866. *Worshipful Brother John Dove*, President of the "Masonic Educational Convention," presented the report of said Convention, adopting a Masonic School, for the education of children of deceased Masons, which was adopted, and \$100 appropriated by No. 19 for that purpose.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JULIUS A. HOBSON.

FORTY-SIXTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1866, to June 24, 1868.

## "ST. JOHN'S DAY."

May 29, 1868. At a called meeting of No. 19, a communication was received and accepted from "Joppa Lodge, No. 40, inviting No. 19, and sister Lodges of Richmond and Manchester to unite with No. 40 in celebrating *St. John's Day*, by a public procession, to be followed by a subscription dinner."

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JAMES R. DOWELL,

FORTY-SEVENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1868, to June 24, 1871.

## "DEDICATION OF A LODGE ROOM."

March 22, 1869. "Metropolitan Lodge, No. 11," and "Joppa Lodge, No. 40," dedicated their *New Lodge Room*, in "St. Alban's Hall," corner of Third and Main streets. No. 19 was invited, and participated in the ceremonies.

## DEATH OF WORSHIPFUL BRO. JULIUS A. HOBSON,

KILLED BY THE FALLING OF THE FLOOR IN THE CAPITOL.

"In the midst of life we are in Death: Of whom may we seek for succor but of thee, O Lord!"

On the morning of Wednesday, the 27th day of April, 1870, by the heart-rending catastrophe of the falling of the floor of the room in the Capitol Building, in which was held the *Court of Appeals*—Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, was suddenly, and forever, deprived of the presence of its *Worthy Brother and Past Master, Julius A. Hobson*.

The Lodge convened Friday morning, April 23, 1870, to pay the last tribute of respect to his remains. A procession was formed, and proceeded to the residence of deceased, and from thence to the First Baptist Church, where, after a funeral discourse by Rev. Dr. Jeter, the remains were escorted to Hollywood Cemetery, and interred with Masonic Honors.

## DEATH OF BROTHER JOHN LESTER,

FOR FIFTY YEARS A MEMBER OF No. 19, AND SECRETARY FOR FORTY YEARS.

Brother Lester always attended to the duties of this office, in a faithful and efficient manner.

The Lodge was convened Sunday afternoon, August 28, 1870, to pay the last tribute of respect to our deceased worthy brother, *John Lester*. Procession was formed, and marched to his late residence, and from thence, escorted his remains to St. John's Church, where, after a funeral discourse by Rev. Brother T. G. Dashiell, the body was interred in St. John's Burying Ground, with usual Masonic Ceremonies.

## LAYING THE CORNER-STONE OF MONUMENT TO THE CONFEDERATE DEAD AT OAKWOOD CEMETERY.

May 24, 1871. The Worshipful Master informed the brethren, that the Lodge had been convened, at the *Invitation of "The Ladies' Oakwood Memorial Association,"* for the purpose of laying the corner stone of the Monument at Oakwood. The procession formed, and escorted by Richmond Commandery, No. 2, Knights Templar, proceeded to Oakwood Cemetery, where the corner-stone was laid with usual Masonic Ceremonies, by Most Worshipful Thomas F. Owens, Grand Master of Virginia.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL NORTON R. SAVAGE,

FORTY-EIGHTH MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1871, to June 24, 1873.

## LONG-LOST ORIGINAL CHARTER OF No. 19.

May 21, 1872. Worshipful Brother J. R. Dowell presented to the Lodge the original Charter of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19; and the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

"WHEREAS, We hail with pleasure the long lost Charter of this Lodge, bearing date October 27, 1787; and whereas, this Lodge is deeply indebted to Worshipful Brother James Beal, M. D., for the restoration of this *valued treasure*; therefore be it—

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Lodge are eminently due to, and are hereby cordially and fraternally tendered to Worshipful Brother Beale, for this act of brotherly love and Masonic regard, in thus restoring to this Old Mother of Masons and Lodges, her long lost, her sacred treasure, her first warrant. A Charter, under the authority of which she first came into being, and under the benign influences of which she has been enabled for nearly a whole century past, to continue her labor of love and good works.

*Resolved*, That the Master of this Lodge be requested to have the old Charter, thus restored, placed in a neat and substantial frame, and suspended upon the wall of this Lodge room, for preservation.

*Resolved*, That the above preamble and resolutions be spread upon our minutes, and the Secretary be instructed to furnish Brother Beale with a copy of the same.

## DOVE—ISAACS.—AN IMPRESSIVE SCENE IN No. 19.

December 17, 1872. At this meeting a most impressive scene was witnessed—that of initiating the grandson of our esteemed, worthy, and ever useful Worshipful Grand Secretary, John Dove, (*Wm. B. Isaacs, Jr.*, son of Wm. B. Isaacs, Sr., Past Master of No. 19.) This occasion called for feeling remarks from Worshipful Brother John Dove to the Lodge, in which he recurred to the time (1817), when No. 36 Lodge was amalgamated with Lodge No. 19, and some twenty or more members of No. 36 were nominated and elected members of No. 19. Lodge No. 36 subsequently contributing furniture, funds, &c., to No. 19, and returning their Charter to the Grand Lodge of Virginia. Shortly thereafter (June 24, 1820) Brother John Dove became Master of No. 19. Continuing, he said: "In 1842 the father of this candidate, (Wm. B. Isaacs, Sr.) became a member of No. 19, and has continued a member to this evening." Turning to the Worshipful Master, he said: "Thus Worshipful Sir, you see what very rarely occurs, if it ever occurred in Virginia, or elsewhere, *three generations in good standing, and present members of our respected Lodge, No. 19, over which a John Marshall, and Edmund Randolph presided.*"

Then turning to his grandson, (the candidate) Brother Dove explained to him the importance of keeping well in mind the impressive ceremonies he had just gone through; and concluding, he said: "The infidel may scoff, the unbeliever sneer, the renegade denounce; yet will we strive to emulate her noble teachings, and bound by the ties of brotherly love and affection, continue on until the last setting sun sheds its golden rays upon the unshaken dome of Freemasonry. But the crowning commentary on this word "*Brother*," and the inestimable value of its relations to society, is to be found in the august words of *Him*, who spake as never man spake, when he said: 'Ye have heard it said by them of olden time, thou shalt not kill: and whosoever shall kill, shall be in danger of the judgment: but I say unto you, whosoever is angry with his brother, without a cause, shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, *Raca*, shall be in danger of hell fire. Thus my brethren may we always appreciate our noble institution.'"

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL WM. HALL CREW,

FORTY-NINTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1873, to June 24, 1875.*

## HISTORIAN OF THE LODGE.

September 14, 1874. At this meeting the Worshipful Master, Wm. Hall Crew, informed the Lodge that Brother M. P. Handy, who had been appointed to write a history of the Lodge, had removed from the city, and not having commenced the work, he had appointed Brother Chas. P. Rady, to perform that duty, and he had consented to undertake the arduous work.

DEATH OF BROTHER JOHN C. McCABE, PAST GRAND MASTER OF DELAWARE, FORMERLY A MEMBER OF No. 19.

Sunday, February 28, 1875. The Lodge convened and proceeded in procession, to Mr. Alfred Sheild's residence, escorted by Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar; received the remains, and from thence escorted them to St. Mark's Church, where suitable services were performed by Rev. T. G. Dashiell and Rev. C. Minnegerode, and from thence to the City Burying Ground, where the remains were interred with usual Masonic ceremonies.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL GEORGE F. KEESEE,

FIFTIETH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1875, to June 24, 1877.*

## RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHER JOHN DOVE.

January 16, 1877. At this meeting, the committee to prepare suitable resolutions, expressive of the grief and sincere regret of the members of No. 19, at the death of *Right Worshipful John Dove*, submitted the same, which were adopted and recorded, covering about seven pages of the Record, and signed by James Evans, John C. Page, Jr., and Charles P. Rady, Committee.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL CHARLES P. RADY,

FIFTY-FIRST MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1877, to June 24, 1879.*

## INITIATION AND OTHER FEES.

Amity Lodge No. 76, in February, 1878, reduced the fees from \$50 to \$35 for the Degrees. No. 19 deprecating such proceedings, requested them to reconsider. Amity Lodge declined to do so in a quite lengthy communication, April 16, 1878. Subsequently a meeting of several Masonic Lodges was held, and its resolutions communicated this evening (September 17, 1878) to No. 19. The preamble of Amity Lodge recites, that the price for the three Degrees before the war was only \$30, and that it was raised during the war to \$50. (No. 19 raised it to \$100 during the war.) Believing that it would be to the interest of Masonry to reduce it to \$35 now, the report so recommended. Upon reading this report and recommendations, and after careful consideration, No. 19 resolved, that it is inexpedient to reduce the fees for Initiating, Passing and Raising. A majority of the other Lodges of the city concurred with No. 19, and refused to reduce the fees, and the scheme was abandoned.

## "MASONS' HALL."

Tuesday, September 17, 1878. At this meeting, on motion, the Worshipful Master, and Senior and Junior Wardens, were appointed a standing committee, to act with Richmond Lodge, No. 16, or their Trustees, in any matter connected with the joint ownership, and occupancy of the Masons' Hall.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL R. H. DUESBERRY,

FIFTY-SECOND MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1879, to June 24, 1881.*

## DEATH OF BROTHER JOS. J. WHITE, POLICE JUSTICE OF RICHMOND.

DIED JUNE 3, 1880.

Sunday afternoon, June 6, 1880. The Lodge convened and marched in procession to the late residence of our deceased Brother, Jos. J. White, a member of the Lodge; from thence to Seventh-Street Christian Church, when, after funeral services by Rev. J. Z. Tyler, the remains were carried to Shockoe Hill Cemetery, and interred with usual Masonic Ceremonies.

## VISIT OF GRAND MASTER COLES TO No. 19.

March 21, 1881. The Lodge was convened this evening to receive an official visit from the Grand Master. Most Worshipful James Evans was received, and invited to the East. Most Worshipful Beverly R. Wellford, P. G. M., and Right Worshipful Wm. F. Drinkard, District Deputy Grand Master, were received and invited to the East.

Most Worshipful Peyton Skipwith Coles, Grand Master of Virginia, was received, and presided in the East, when he delivered an address, thanking the brethren for the honor conferred on him, stating that he was in the second year of his administration — had visited the Fraternity all over the State, and was everywhere honored as representative of Masons of Virginia. He had found zeal, enthusiasm, and that devotion to the grand principles of Freemasonry, which has kept pace with its growth and development. He said: "With this year of high office comes a new, unlooked for responsibility. I allude to the *Yorktown Centennial, to be held October 19, 1881*; an occasion that should be near and dear to every patriotic heart. It may not be a fact generally known among you, my brethren, *that to the Grand Lodge of Virginia has been accorded a trust, a dignity, without precedent in our history.* By express invitation of Congress, Ceremonies of a time-honored custom, on an occasion when a proud and grateful nation, assembles to celebrate the Hundredth Anniversary of its National Life. This is no empty form, no meaningless ceremonial, but the most substantial and gratifying recognition of our great Masonic Institution, from the highest authority in the land; and my brethren, to lay the cornerstone of the Yorktown Monument, with the solemn imposing ritual of our Order, links Masonry for all time with what is glorious and endearing in our National History. \* \* \* Let us one and all unite, in zealous endeavor to make the 19th day of October, the most glorious day for Masonry that has dawned since the building of the first Temple. \* \* \* \* \* In addition to your good wishes, so essential to me now, I shall need your inspiring presence then, when the magnates of our land, the chivalry of American manhood, and the beauty of American womanhood, shall be gathered together, a mighty concourse of grateful patriots, and enlightened freemen."

## "YORKTOWN CELEBRATION."

October 12, 1881. At this meeting the following resolution was offered by Worshipful Chas. P. Rady, and adopted:

"Resolved, that this Lodge approves heartily of the *Masonic Celebration at Yorktown, Va.*, on the laying of the cornerstone of the "Yorktown Monument," and will assemble at Yorktown, Tuesday, October 18, 1881, at 11 o'clock; further—

*Resolved.* That all members who can attend, will report to the Secretary of this Lodge, by Saturday next, October 15th, at noon, to procure aprons and tickets, and also report promptly to the W. M. on *Tuesday, the 18th, at Masonic Headquarters, Yorktown, Va.*

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL BENJ. F. HOWARD.

## FIFTY-THIRD MASTER OF No. 19.

From June 24, 1881, to June 24, 1883.

## "TRUSTEES FOR MASONS' HALL."

November 21, 1882. The Lodge elected Worshipful Brothers B. F. Howard, Chas. P. Rady, and Wm. Hall Crew, Trustees of Masons' Hall, and the Circuit Court was asked to appoint them, which was done; and December 19, 1882, the following is entered on the Record of the proceedings of Lodge No. 19:

"VIRGINIA.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF RICHMOND,

"Saturday, November 25, 1882.

"On motion of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, A. F. and A. M., by its Secretary, Wm. Hall Crew, it is ordered that Benjamin F. Howard, Charles P. Rady, and the said William Hall Crew, be appointed Trustees of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, A. F. and A. M., to hold the legal title to the property of the said Lodge."

"A copy teste:

"Alfred Shield, Clerk."

## BOOK OF THE LODGE.

June 16, 1883. At this meeting, Worshipful Brother Wm. B. Isaacs, as a slight token of his filial love for his mother Lodge, presented the Lodge with a "Book of the Lodge," containing many beautiful emblems, and wishing the members a happy New Year. The Worshipful Master received the same, on behalf of the Lodge, with thanks.

## PROPOSAL OF LODGE No. 10 TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN MASONS' HALL TO No. 19.

February 20, 1883. The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of Lodge No. 10, reported that No. 10 wished to offer a proposition to Lodge No. 19, to buy out her interest in the Masons' Hall. The committee recommended that the proposition be referred to the Trustees for their consideration, without debate, which, on motion, was done.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL R. C. FLETCHER.

FIFTY-FOURTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1883, to June 24, 1885.*

## PURCHASE BY LODGE No. 19 OF THE INTEREST OF LODGE No. 10, IN MASONS' HALL.

September 18, 1883. Worshipful Brother Chas. P. Rady, of the Board of Trustees, reported a joint meeting of Trustees, and a proposition on the part of Trustees of Lodge No. 10, to Lodge No. 19, to purchase the interest of that Lodge in Mason's Hall. On motion, the matter was referred back to the Trustees, with power to employ counsel, if necessary, for advice, and as to the title. The Board secured the services of Worshipful Brother D. C. Richardson, who found the title all clear; and on their report, on Tuesday, March 18, 1884, the interest of Lodge No. 10 in Mason's Hall was purchased by Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, upon the following terms—viz., for the sum of \$700, \$200 in cash, balance in four equal instalments (annual) of \$175 each, notes, signed by Trustees, and a deed of trust to secure payment of notes.

## LATE GRAND MASTER H. W. MURRAY.

August 19, 1884. The Lodge-room was draped in mourning, upon hearing of the death of Most Worshipful H. W. Murray, Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, who died in Charlottesville, Va., Friday night, August 15, 1884. Suitable resolutions reported by a committee, consisting of Worshipful Brother R. H. Duesberry, Worshipful Brother B. F. Howard, Worshipful Brother W. Hall Crew, and Worshipful Brother Chas. P. Rady, were adopted, and spread upon the Minutes.

## LAYING CORNER-STONE OF CHRIST'S (EPISCOPAL) CHURCH.

September 16, 1884. The Worshipful Master reported that he had been called upon to lay the corner-stone of Christ's (Epis.) Church, and had ordered a meeting for that purpose.

September 17, 1884. At a called meeting this afternoon, a procession was formed, under escort of Commandery No. 2, Knights Templar, and marched to the corner of Scott and Venable streets, where the corner-stone of said Church was laid in due and ancient form.

## PICTURE OF "MOST WORSHIPFUL EDMUND RANDOLPH."

January 20, 1885. Worshipful W. O. English, on behalf of the great-grandson of Most Worshipful Edmund Randolph, Past Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, presented the Lodge a picture of the said Grand Master, who issued the first Charter to Lodge No. 19.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL CHARLES A. WEST.

FIFTY-FIFTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24th, 1885, to June 24th, 1886.*

## CHAPLAINS TO No. 19.

May 18, 1886. At this meeting, a resolution was adopted, that the Worshipful Master be requested, on and after the next meeting in June, not to appoint any person, as Chaplain, not a resident of this city.

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JAMES H. ALLEN.

FIFTY-SIXTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*From June 24, 1886, to June 24, 1887.*

## COMMITTEE ON CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION.

December 21, 1886. The Worshipful Master stated that during recess he had appointed Brother George Ainslie, Chairman; Brother L. Harvey, and Worshipful Brother R. H. Duesberry, a Committee, to take into consideration, and report to the Lodge, the best plan of celebrating our Centennial, October 19, 1887, with power to call to their aid any member of the Lodge. June 24, 1887, Worshipful Brother Cunningham added to that Committee, Worshipful Brother Chas. P. Rady, Worshipful Brother B. F. Howard, Brothers W. H. Stratton, Marx Nelson, and Edgar H. Fergusson.

## SECTION 1, ARTICLE 4, BY-LAWS, STRICKEN OUT.

May 15, 1887. At this meeting, Sec. 1, Art. 4, of By-Laws, "requiring a brother to reside twelve months in the State, before he can petition for membership," was stricken out. The Grand Master of Virginia could not approve it. (See G. L. Proceedings 1883, page 50.)

## ADMINISTRATION OF WORSHIPFUL JUDSON CUNNINGHAM.

FIFTY-SEVENTH MASTER OF No. 19.

*Commencing June 24th, 1887.*

## CENTENNIAL OF "No. 19."

August 17, 1887. At this meeting, the following communication was received from the Committee on Centennial:

"*Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19*: Your Committee on Centennial would respectfully report—1st. That the Centennial occurs on the 29th day of October, 1887, but that being Saturday night, your Committee recommend that the Centennial be held on Monday night, October 31st.

2d. Your committee recommend that on this special occasion, fraught with so much interest to every member of No. 19, a banquet be given, by voluntary contributions from the brethren, and that the Centennial Committee be authorized to solicit such voluntary contributions as may be freely given. The committee would further report that arrangements are in progress for celebrating the occasion in a manner befitting the dignity of the Lodge, and will make a full report at the next meeting.

CHAS. P. RADY,  
W. H. STRATTON,  
B. F. HOWARD,

Centennial Committee.

On motion, the report was received and adopted.

#### ONE HUNDRED YEARS OLD—OCTOBER 29, 1887.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF RICHMOND RANDOLPH LODGE, No. 19,  
A. F. & A. M.—WORSHIPFUL JUDSON CUNNINGHAM, MASTER.

*Addresses by Right Worshipful Wm. F. Drinkard, Grand Master; Right Worshipful Wm. B. Isaacs, Grand Secretary; Right Worshipful Judge B. R. Wellford, Past Grand Master; Worshipful S. McG. Fisher, District Deputy Grand Master; Worshipful Charles P. Rady, Historian of Lodge No. 19; and others.*

A large number of the members and invited guests of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, assembled at the old Masons' Hall, on Franklin street, on Monday night, October 31, 1887, at 8 o'clock, to celebrate the Centennial of this time honored Lodge. Among the invited guests were Most Worshipful Wm. F. Drinkard, Grand Master of Masons; Right Worshipful William B. Isaacs, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge; Right Worshipful Judge B. R. Wellford, Past Grand Master of Masons; Worshipful S. McG. Fisher, District Deputy Grand Master. The present Masters and Wardens of nearly all the Lodges in the city were also present. The Old Hall was filled with Masons, young and old, to join No. 19 in fraternal greetings over her honored history of one hundred years.

#### HISTORICAL.

The exercises were conducted by Most Worshipful William F. Drinkard, Grand Master, presiding in the East, and opened with an excellent recita-

tion by Brother Watkins Norvell, of Temple Lodge, No. 9, entitled "The Workhouse."

A history of the Lodge, from October 29, 1787, to October 29, 1887, was read by Worshipful Charles P. Rady, of No. 19. This history abounded in interesting incidents, and was enjoyed by all present, and is a valuable contribution not only to Masonic literature, but to Richmond history—dealing, as it does, with many names and events that belong to a glorious period in our city's and country's past.

#### STIRRING ADDRESS.

Grand Master Drinkard addressed the Lodge in an excellent speech, in which he gave a brief review of Masonic work in Virginia. He congratulated the Lodge on her glorious past, present prosperity, and bright future.

Judge B. R. Wellford also addressed the Lodge, referring to the past history of No. 19, and exhorting the members to renewed efforts to sustain the honor of the Lodge.

Colonel Thomas J. Evans called attention to the honored names of the Past Masters of No. 19, and spoke of their noble virtues and lives.

Senator William Lovenstein, Secretary of Loge Française, made fraternal remarks full of good advice and counsel.

Right Worshipful William B. Isaacs, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, made a stirring address, which was followed by short addresses from visiting brethren.

#### ANOTHER OLD LODGE.

The following telegram was sent to Petersburg Lodge, No. 15, Petersburg, Va., that Lodge being at the same hour in session, celebrating her centennial:

"*Master and Wardens of Petersburg Lodge, No. 15*:

"Lodge No. 19, now in centennial session, sends fraternal greeting. May brotherly love ever prevail, and every moral and social virtue unite and cement us.

JUDSON CUNNINGHAM, Master of No. 19."

The following was received in answer to the same:

"*Master and Wardens of Lodge No. 19*:

"On this our centennial celebration, we send fraternal greetings to an honored daughter of the Grand Lodge. May we continue to spread the cement of brotherly love and affection, which unites us in one sacred band or society of friends and brothers.

[Signed]

PETERSBURG LODGE, No. 15."

AFTER LABOR, REFRESHMENT.

The committee had prepared a sumptuous entertainment, to which all the brethren were invited, and a pleasant time was spent in social intercourse. Brother Frank Cunningham sang several of his best songs, greatly to the delight of the brethren, and Brothers Richard Waggener, John Reinhardt, John Baseler, Chris. Baseler, and John Reintz contributed some of their best and most inspiring instrumental music.

The occasion was a very entertaining, instructive and pleasant one, and marked an important epoch in the history of this grand old Lodge, as well as in the history of Masonry in Virginia.

Respectfully contributed to the "History of Masonry in Virginia," and for the information and pleasure of the members of the Craft wheresoever dispersed.

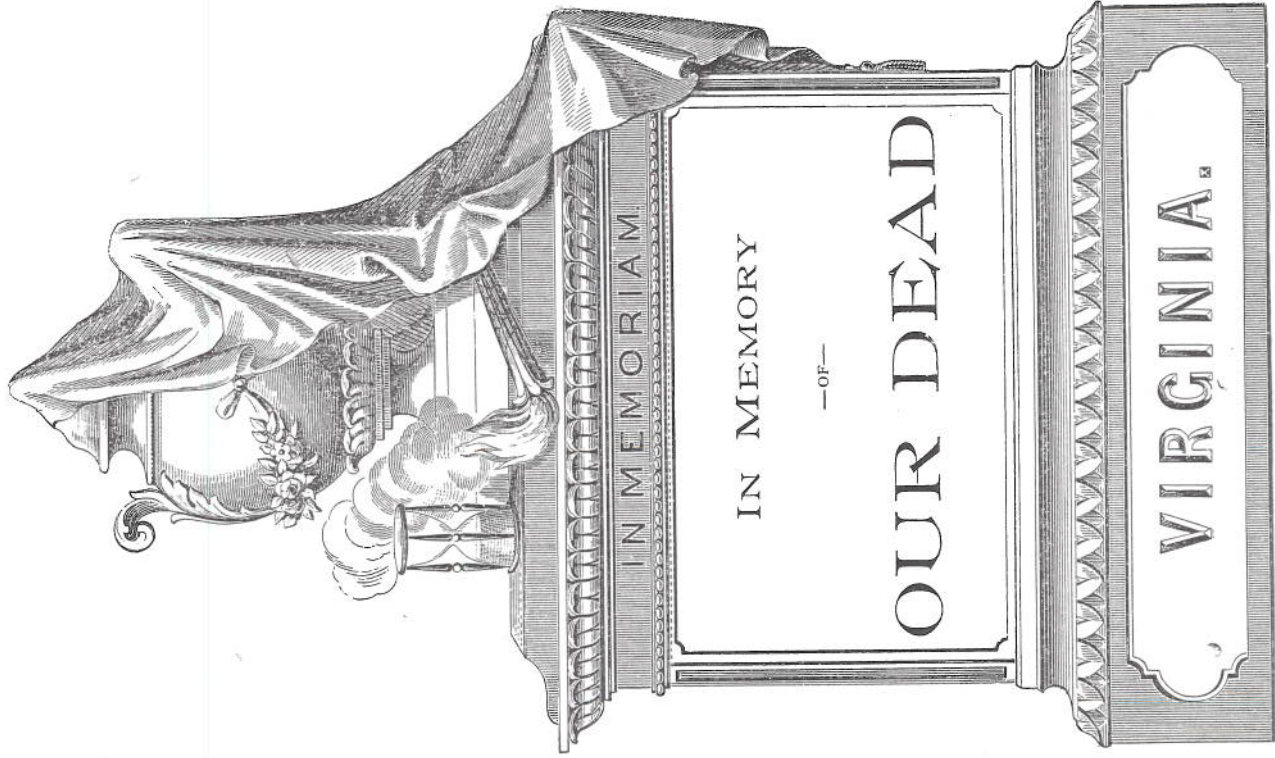
CHAS. P. RADY, PAST MASTER OF No. 19.

*Fac simile signatures of Worshipful Brothers Lafayette,  
G. W. Lafayette and Levasseur as taken from  
the record-book of the Lodge dated  
Saturday, October 30th, 1824.*

*Lafayette*

*G. W. Lafayette*

*Levasseur*



## IN MEMORIAM.

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JOHN DIXON, Sr. One of the first Charter Members and the first Senior Warden of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Died April 27th, 1791, and was buried with Masonic honors by No. 19.

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER JACOB EGE. The Second and Fourth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Second Master of No. 19 from December 2d, 1789, to June 5th, 1793; Fourth Master of No. 19 from June 24th, 1795, to June 22d, 1795. Died October 4th, 1795, and buried in St. John's Burying Ground October 5th, 1795.

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER JOHN CRAWFORD. Brother Crawford was duly elected Master of No. 19 June 5th, 1794, but resigned at the meeting of the Lodge June 11th, 1794. He became entitled to the honor of a Past Master, though never installed as Master of the Lodge. (See Dove's Grand Lodge Proceedings, page 143). November 5th, 1795, Lodge No. 19, assisted by Lodge No. 36, attended the funeral of Brother Crawford, Past Master, and buried him at the Church (St. John's Burying Ground.)

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JOHN VAN KAUTZMAN, Tiler of Lodge No. 19, and Grand Tiler of Grand Lodge of Virginia. Charter Member of Lodge No. 19, and first Tiler of same. Died May 17th, 1799; obsequies by Lodge No. 19 May 19th, 1799.

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER ELDRIDGE HARRIS, the Eighth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1799, to June 24th, 1800. Died January 4th, 1803, much regretted, and the members of the Lodge wore mourning for three months; also the Tools, Jewels and Implements of the Lodge were put in mourning for the same period.

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER JOHN DIXON, the Sixth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1796, to June 24th, 1797. Died May 22d, 1805, and was buried with Masonic honors in the Church-yard, (St. John's) by Lodge No. 19.

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER HUMPHREY DABNEY, the Tenth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1801, to June 24th, 1802. Died September 5th, 1808, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors.



## IN MEMORIAM.

BROTHER DAVID LAMBERT, one of the first Charter Members and the first Junior Warden of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Died May 8th, 1817, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors May 9th, 1817.

BROTHER THOMAS WILSON, Mayor of the City of Richmond, and a member of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Died May 3d, 1818, and was buried with Masonic honors by the Lodge Sunday, May 5th, 1818.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER JOSEPH A. MYERS, SR., the Eighteenth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1819, to September 29th, 1819. Died September 29th, 1827, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors October 1st, 1827.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER JOHN J. JOHNSTON, Past Master of No. 36, and a member of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Died July 20th, 1828, and was buried in the new burying-ground with Masonic honors by the Lodge July 22d, 1828.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER JOHN G. WILLIAMS, the Twenty-second Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1822, to June 24th, 1823. He was also the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia. Died December, 1833, while on the way South in search of health.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER JOSEPH ALBERT MYERS, the Twenty-seventh Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1830, to June 24th, 1832. Died February 14th, 1834, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors February 16th, 1834.

MOST WORSHIPFUL MASTER WILLIAM H. FITZVINYLSONS, the Seventh Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1797, to June 24th, 1799; Eleventh Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1802, to June 24th, 1804; Fourteenth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1808, to June 24th, 1809; Seventeenth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1811, to June 24th, 1819. He was also Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia from November 27th, 1797, to December 12th, 1822, and was Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia. Died June 21st, 1837, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors June 22d, 1837.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER WILLIAM D. WREN, Thirteenth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1807, to June 24th, 1808; Sixteenth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1810, to June 24th, 1811, and Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of Virginia at the time of his death January 27th, 1845. He was buried with Masonic honors January 28th, 1845, by the Lodge.

## IN MEMORIAM.

REV. BROTHER JOHN T. POINTS, Chaplain of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Died June 10th, 1860, and was buried with Masonic honors by the Lodge June 12th, 1860.

BROTHER JOHN A. LANCASTER, the efficient and faithful Treasurer of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1818, to June 24th, 1848, a period of thirty years of arduous and unremitting labor, and for which the Lodge unanimously elected him an Honorary Member upon his retirement from the office June 24th, 1848. He died February 1st, 1861, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors, in Hollywood Cemetery, Feb. 2d, 1861.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER THOMAS DUDDEY, the Fifteenth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1809, to June 24th, 1810. Died October 25th, 1867, in the ninety-third year of his age, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors October 26th, 1867.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER EDWARD H. GILL, a member of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, and Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of Virginia. Died December 21st, 1868, and was buried with Masonic honors by the Lodge in Hollywood Cemetery, December 22d, 1868.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER RICHARD O. HASKINS, Thirtieth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1836, to June 24th, 1840; Thirty-seventh Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1848, to June 24th, 1850. Died January 6th, 1870, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors in Powhatan Co., Va., Jan. 8th, 1870.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER JULIUS A. HOBSON, the Forty-sixth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1866, to June 24th, 1868. He was killed by falling of the floor of the room in the Capitol building April 27th, 1870, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors in Hollywood Cemetery April 29th, 1870.

BROTHER JOHN LESTER was for fifty years a member of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, and the faithful and efficient Secretary of the Lodge for forty years, death only removing him from that duty, which occurred August 27th, 1870. He was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors in St. John's Burying Ground August 28th, 1870.

WORSHIPFUL MASTER REV. JOHN C. McCABE, formerly a member of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Past Grand Master of the State of Delaware. Died in this city February 27th, 1875, and was buried by the Lodge No. 19 with Masonic honors February 28th, 1875, in the city burying-ground.

## IN MEMORIAM.

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RIGHT WORSHIPFUL THOMAS U. DUDLEY, the Thirty-first Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1840, to June 24th, 1841, and forty two years a member of the Lodge. Died April 1st, 1876, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors in the city burying-ground.

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RIGHT WORSHIPFUL JOHN DOVE. Born in the old frame house southwest corner of Broad and Fifth Streets, Richmond, Va., September 2d, 1792. Died November 10th, 1876, eighty-four years of age. Twentieth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1820, to June 24th, 1821; Twenty-ninth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1834, to June 24th, 1836; Thirty-sixth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1847, to June 24th, 1848, and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia forty-one years. Buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors November 18, 1876, in St. John's Burying Ground.

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WORSHIPFUL MASTER JOHN C. PAGE, JR., Fortieth Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from June 24th, 1854, to June 24th, 1856. Died November 16, 1877, in the sixty-second year of his age. Buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors in Hollywood Cemetery November 18, 1877.

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BROTHER JOSEPH J. WHITE, Police Justice of the City of Richmond, a member of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Died June 3d, 1880, and was buried with Masonic honors by the Lodge June 6th, 1880, in Shockoe Hill Burying-Ground.

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BROTHER WILLIAM J. RIDDICK, a member of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, and for eighteen years Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Lodge. Died February 2d, 1881, aged 62 years, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors February 4th, 1881, in Hollywood Cemetery.

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RIGHT WORSHIPFUL JAMES EVANS, the Thirty-third Master of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19, from September 1st, 1841, to January 3d, 1844. Initiated 1837. Died February 6th, 1882, aged eighty-two years. Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia. He was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors in Shockoe Hill Burying-Ground February 18, 1882.

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REV. BROTHER A. W. WEDDELL, Chaplain of Richmond Randolph Lodge, No. 19. Died December 6th, 1883, aged forty two years, and was buried by the Lodge with Masonic honors in St. John's Burying Ground December 8th, 1883.