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of the
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of
Royal Arch Masons
of
ALABAMA



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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND CHAPTER OF ALABAMA
AT THE
ANNUAL CONVOCATION
HELD IN THE
CITY OF MONTGOMERY
COMMENCING
DECEMBER 4, 1855.



MONTGOMERY.
BARRETT & WIMBISH, BOOK AND JOB PRINTERS, 1855.

PROCEEDINGS.

The M. E. Grand Chapter, of Alabama, held its Annual Convocation, commencing Tuesday the 4th day of December, A. D., 1855, R. A. M., 2385.

PRESENT.

M. E. WM. A. FERRELL, Grand High Priest.
E. JOHN R. CLARKE, Dep. Grand H. Priest.
E. H. S. SHELTON, Grand King.
E. M. W. DAVIS, Grand Scribe.
E. AMAND P. PFISTER, Grand Secretary.
E. E. M. HASTINGS, Grand Treasurer.
E. REV. MOSES PADGETT, Grand Chaplain.
E. THOMAS HARRISON, Grand Lecturer.
E. H. P. WATSON, Grand C. H.
E. THOMAS McDOUGALL, Grand Sentinel.

PAST GRAND OFFICERS.

EDWARD HERNDON, Past Grand High Priest.
WM. P. CHILTON, Past Grand High Priest.
J. McCaleb WILEY, Past Dep. Grand H. Priest.
S. A. M. WOOD, Past Grand King.
JAMES M. BRUNDIDGE, Past Grand King.
WM. H. NORRIS, Past Grand King.

CHAPTERS REPRESENTED.

No.	Chapters.	Names.	Offices.
4	Monroe,	N. A. Agee,	H. P.
6	Cyrus,	Sterling A. M. Wood,*	H. P.
		John S. Kennedy,	King.
		V. M. Benham,*	Scribe.

No.	Chapters.	Names.	Offices.
9	Clinton,	John N. Malone,*	H. P.
10	Tuscumbia,	L. B. Thornton,*	H. P.
11	Phoenix,	R. D. Huckabee,*	H. P.
12	Marion,	Jack F. Cocke,*	H. P.
15	Hayneville,	Wm. Barry,	H. P.
17	Wetumpka,	Wm. Price,	King.
18	Jameston,	Wm. Little,*	H. P.
19	Mt. Moriah,	Wm. H. Fowler,*	H. P.
		A. P. Barry,	King.
21	Mobile,	J. R. Eastburn,*	King.
22	Montgomery,	H. P. Watson,	H. P.
		E. M. Hastings,	King.
		Geo. W. Matthews,	Scribe.
23	Talladga,	J. M. Moore,	H. P.
		A. J. Cotten,	Scribe.
24	Eufaula,	J. H. Danforth,	H. P.
		John Black,*	King.
25	Courtland.	Frank W. Sykes,*	H. P.
27	Dayton,	Samuel H. Rogers, *	H. P.
28	St. John's,	J. B. Harrison,	H. P.
29	Eureka,	C. C. Howard,	H. P.
		J. H. Caffey,	King.
		T. C. Hartwell,	Scribe.
30	James Penn,	John R. Clarke,	H. P.
31	Perfect Friendship,	O. P. King,	King.
32	Fulton,	Wm. H. Norris,	H. P.
33	Autauga,	B. F. Davis,	H. P.
		A. C. Taylor,	Scribe.
34	Hermon,	Thos. L. McGowen,	H. P.
		John Avenger,	Scribe.
35	Jas. L. Daniel,	W. M. Turner,*	H. P.
		D. M. Trammell,*	King.

No.	Chapters.	Name.	Offices.
36	Pickensville,	H. S. Shelton,	H. P.
		W. H. Terrell,*	King.
37	Concord,	E. J. Bacon,	H. P.
		Robt. Mitchell,*	King.
40	Camden,	W. W. Robinson,*	H. P.
		R. H. Ervin,*	King.
41	Washington,	B. J. Harrison,	H. P.
42	Macon,	James W. Kidd,*	H. P.
43	Tuskegee,	Wm. P. Chilton,	H. P.
		Sidney B. Payne,	King.
		David Clopton,	Scribe.
44	Choctaw,	W. W. Lang,	H. P.
		John T. Foster,*	King.
		E. T. Ridgeway,	Scribe.
45	Dadeville,	LeRoy Gresham*	King.
46	Jerusalem,	Wm. A. Ferrell,	H. P.
		Alfred Perry,*	King.
		J. K. Elliott*	Scribe.
48	McKinley,	E. A. Steele,*	H. P.
49	Hope,	E. R. Shipman,	H. P.
52	Allenton,	B. S. Rives,*	H. P.
53	Uchee,	M. W. Davis,	H. P.
54	Tyrian,	J. McCaleb Wiley,*	H. P.
55	Suggsville,	S. Nordlinger,*	H. P.
		M. B. Barnes,*	King.
		James Odom,*	Scribe.
56	Zerubbabel,	J. J. Havis,*	H. P.
57	Lebanon,	Peter J. Walker,*	King.
58	Hartwell,	M. H. Hildebrant,*	H. P.
59	Bladon Springs,	T. McC. Prince,	Scribe.
60	Hiram,	S. D. Moorer,	H. P.
		O. H. P. Moorer,*	King.
		R. D. Twombly,	Scribe.

No.	Chapters.	Names.	Offices.
61	Signet,	T. F. Flourney, John U. Brown ,	H. P. King.
62	Rockford,	Isaac W. Suttle,	King.
63	Midway,	Moses Padgett,	H. P.
64	Central,	A. J. Goodwin, Hiram Sumner, H. L. Goodwin,	H. P. Scribe. King.
65	Russell,	A. A. Russell,	H. P.

*Proxies.

The Grand Chapter was opened in ample form.
The following Committees were announced :

On Accounts—Comps. Suttle, Eastburn, Little, Rogers and Caffy.

Chartered Chapters, No. 1—Comps. Hartwell, Black, Fowler, A. P. Barry and Flourney.

Chartered Chapters, No. 2—Comps. Watson, Danforth, Howard, Price and Kennedy.

Dispensations—Comps. Erwin, Lang, Davis, Cotten, Padgett.

Foreign Correspondence—Comps. Clopton, Wiley and Wood.

The Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer submitted their Reports, which were referred to the Committee on Accounts.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Since my last report, at the annual convocation of this M. E. Grand Chapter, one new Chapter has been established under Dispensation, at Stevenson, Jackson County, viz:

Russell Chapter, No. 65.

The Committee on Accounts, reported at the last Convocation as being in my hands, the following amounts:

Amount of contingent fund unexpended.....\$499 65
 Amount of contributions from Chapters, 1854-- 657 00

Total.....\$1,156 65

Which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

I have received since, viz:

For Dispensation, Russell Chapter, No. 65.....\$90 00
 For back dues Subordinate Chapters..... 39 00

Total.....\$129 00

Which has also been paid to the Grand Treasurer, and makes the grand total of \$1,285.65, paid into the Grand Treasury.

A balance of \$591.75, remains from the Contingent fund, after paying all the expenses of the year 1855.

During the year, and it is with emotions of deep pain, which will no doubt meet with the sincerest sympathies of this M. E. Grand Chapter, that I record in my report, the death of our esteemed and beloved Grand Lecturer, David Hartwell.

It is not my province—nor would I be able to do honor to the M. E. dead—to write his eulogium. I have no doubt the same will be done by abler hands.

Fraternally,

AMAND P. PFISTER, Grand Secretary.

*AMAND P. PFISTER, Grand Secretary, in Account with the
 Grand Chapter of Alabama.*

1854.

DR.

Dec. To amt. Contingent fund unexpended,
 1854\$ 499 65
 To amt. of Contributions as reported
 by the Committee on Accts., 1854 657 00

To amt. of Dispensation	Russell	
Chapter, No. 65	-----	90 00
To amt. back contributions, received,		
viz:		
No. 4, Monroe, \$11.50; No. 15,		
Hayneville, \$20; No. 49, Hope, \$1;		
No. 62, Rockford, \$6.50	-----	39 00

CONTRA CR.

1854.	
Dec. 12. By cash paid Gr. Treas., No. 1	\$1,156 65
1855.	
Nov. 19. By cash paid Gr. Treas., No. 2	129 00

\$1,285 65 \$1,285 65

AMAND P. PFISTER, Grand Secretary.

Montgomery, Dec. 4, 1855.

CONTINGENT FUND.

AMAND P. PFISTER, *Grand Secretary, in Account with the
Grand Chapter of Alabama.*

1854.	
Dec. 11. To appropriation for 1855	----- \$ 700 00

CR.

1854.	
By amt. paid Grand Sentinel, No. 1	----- \$ 15 00
Dec. 15. By amt, printing Proceed'gs No. 2	59 50
Nov. 30. By amt. Circulars, No. 3	----- 8 00
By amount bill Stationery	-----
By amount postage, No. 4	----- 25 75
By amt bal. remaining on hand	591 75

\$ 700 00 \$ 700 00

AMAND P. PFISTER, Grand Secretary.

*E. M. HASTINGS, Grand Treasurer, in Account with the M. E.
Grand Chapter of Alabama.*

DR.

1854.		
Dec. 5.	To balance cash on hand-----	\$ 489 87
Dec. 12.	To cash from Grand Secretary-----	1,156 65
1855.		
Nov. 19.	To cash from Grand Secretary-----	129 00
		\$1,775 52

CR.

Dec. 8.	By paid appropriat'n to Mobile Chapter--1--	\$ 300 00
Dec. 8.	By paid dues refn'd Zerubbabel Chapter 2--	9 00
Dec. 12.	By paid appropriat'n to Conting't Fund--3--	700 00
Dec. 12.	By paid appropriation to Grand Sec'y--4--	250 00
Dec. 12.	By paid appropriation to Gr. Treasurer--5--	50 00
Dec. 16.	By paid appropriation to Gr'd Sentinel 6--	20 00
Dec. 4, 1855.	To balance cash on hand-----	446 52
		\$1,775 52

In addition to the amount cash balance on hand, there is in my hands a note made by Samuel H. Dixon and John M. Moore, dated December 9, 1850, due December 1, 1851, for three hundred dollars and interest due 1st inst., sixty-three dollars.

E. M. HASTINGS, Grand Treasurer.

On motion of Comp. Wood, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That all delinquent Chapters be allowed sixty days to make their returns, and that H. P.'s, K.'s and S.'s of such be permitted to take their seats as members of this Grand Chapter.

Resolved, That a Standing Committee be appointed on Work, of which the Grand High Priest shall be Chairman.

who shall meet in Montgomery on Friday before the Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter to perfect themselves, and who shall report to the Grand Chapter the Work on the several degrees on or before Wednesday in each Convocation.

Resolved, That so much of the Grand Secretary's report as refers to the death of Comp. David Hartwell, Grand Lecturer, be referred to a Special Committee.

Special Committee on Death of Comp. David Hartwell, Grand Lecturer—Comps. Wood, King, and S. D. Moorer.

On motion of Comp. Shelton, and referred to a Special Committee:

Resolved, That the resolution, passed by this Grand Chapter, requiring all new Chapters to be established in not less than twenty miles from each other, be suspended so far as it applies to the counties of Pickens and Dallas—Comps. Sykes, Woods and Davis were appointed.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment until to-morrow, 3 o'clock, P. M.

WEDNESDAY, 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.,
December 5th, 1855.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor, by the M. E., Wm. A. Ferrill, G. H. P.
Grand Officers at their stations.

Minutes were read and approved.

The following Chapters were reported delinquent by the Grand Secretary:

No. 1 Tuscaloosa,	39 Turnbull, (2 years),
15 Hayneville,	20 Livingston,
23 Talladega,	28 St. John's,
5 Eunomia,	51 Franklin, (2 years).

AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The following amendment to the Constitution, offered by Comp. Malone, was received and lies over:

That the 7th section of Article IV be so amended that the fees for the degrees shall be as follows: For the Mark Master, \$10.; Past Master, \$5; Most Excellent, \$5; and for the Royal Arch, \$10.

On motion of Comp. Norris—

The Grand Chapter proceeded to elect their Grand Officers for the ensuing year, which resulted in the choice of the following Companions:

M. E. WM. A. FERRELL, of Hollow Square, Grand High Priest.

E. T. C. HARTWELL, of Lowndesboro, Dep. G. H. Priest.

E. H. P. WATSON, of Montgomery, Grand King.

E. J. F. FLOURNOY, of Society Hill, Grand Scribe.

E. REV. MOSES PADGETT, of Midway, Grand Chaplain.

E. THOS. HARRISON, of Montgomery, Grand Lecturer.

E. E. M. HASTINGS, of Montgomery, Grand Treasurer.

E. AMAND P. PFISTER, of Montgomery, Grand Secretary.

E. A. P. BARRY, of Clinton, Grand C. H.

E. J. N. MALONE, of Athens, } Grand Marshals.

E. W. W. LONG, of Butler, }

E. THOS. McDUGALL, of Montgomery, Grand Sentinel.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

DANIEL SAYRE, of Tuskegee, G. M. 3d Veil.

JAMES M. BRUNDIDGE, of Athens, G. M. 2d Veil.

W. H. TERRELL, of Pickensville, G. M. 1st Veil.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow, 3 o'clock, P. M.

THURSDAY, 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.,
December 6th, 1855.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment
to labor by the M. E., W. A. Ferrell, G. H. P.

Grand Officers at their stations.

Minutes read and approved.

Comp. Eastburn, from the Committee on Accounts, reported the following, which, with the resolution was adopted:

REPORT.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, respectfully report that they have carefully examined the same, and find them correct.

They submit the following statement of the Finances:

Cash balance on hand	\$446.52
Cash balance Contingent Fund, unexpended	591.75
Cash contributions from Chapters, 1855	620.50
Total amount cash on hand	\$1,658.77

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of seven hundred dollars be and is hereby appropriated as a Contingent Fund for 1856.

J. R. EASTBURN, Chairman.

Amount of Contributions Received from Subordinate Chapters, at the Convocation of 1855.

No. 4, Monroe	\$ 9 00	No. 10, Tuscumbia	14 00
5, Eunomia	16 00	11, Phoenix	7 00
9, Clinton	10 00	12, Marion	16 00

No. 17, Wetumpka -----	6 50	No. 43, Tuskegee -----	12 00
18, Jameston -----	13 50	44, Choctaw -----	17 50
19, Mt. Moriah -----	8 50	45, Dadeville -----	8 00
21, Mobile -----	22 00	46, Jerusalem -----	11 00
22, Montgomery ---	26 00	48, McKinley -----	10 50
24, Eufaula -----	13 50	49, Hope -----	12 00
25, Courtland -----	11 50	50, Sumterville -----	9 50
26, Union -----	16 50	52, Allenton -----	21 00
27, Dayton -----	15 50	53, Uchee -----	16 50
29, Eureka -----	9 00	54, Tyrian -----	13 00
30, James Penn -----	13 50	55, Suggsville -----	19 00
31, Perf. Friends'p--	13 50	56, Zerubbabel -----	8 50
32, Fulton -----	10 50	57, Lebanon -----	10 00
33, Autauga -----	12 00	58, Hartwell -----	17 00
34, Hermon -----	16 00	59, Bladon Spgs.----	9 00
35, Jas. L. Daniel--	14 50	60, Hiram -----	13 50
36, Pickensville -----	13 00	61, Signet -----	11 00
37, Concord -----	13 50	62, Rockford -----	7 00
40, Camden -----	22 00	63, Midway -----	12 50
41, Washington -----	13 50	64, Central -----	6 50
42, Macon -----	11 50	65, Russell -----	7 50
		Total-----	\$620 50

INSTALLATION.

The Grand Chapter then proceeded to the installation of its officers elect, which ceremonies were conducted by the M. E. P. G. H. P., Wm. P. Chilton.

Comp.S.A.M.Wood, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of the death of Comp. David Hartwell, Grand Lecturer of this Grand Chapter, reported as follows:

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Alabama :

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the report of the Grand Secretary which officially communicates to the Grand Chapter, in appropriate terms, the decease of our Excellent Companion, David Hartwell, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter of Alabama, make the following report:

WHEREAS, The Giver of all good has, in His Providence, been pleased to call from the labor of earth His servant, our skillful, zealous and dearly beloved Companion, David Hartwell; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That in the death of David Hartwell, Grand Lecturer for many years, and up to the time of his death, of the Grand Chapter, who had been for more than half a century a Mason, and had devoted some part of fifty years of his life in giving the lectures in the Chapter degrees, this Grand Chapter has lost one of its most experienced patrons and honored members—Royal Arch Masonry, one of its wisest and most learned exemplars—and society, one whose gentleness of and unbroken amiability of life and conduct won the hearts of all his acquaintances.

Resolved, That the members of this Grand Chapter sincerely and deeply regret the death of this revered and beloved Companion, which has removed one of its pillars of strength and made a vacancy which none can say will be shortly filled. But they remember that this Companion died full of years and full of honor—having traveled over the rough and rugged paths of life, with an unwavering faith in “Him who is good, for His mercy endureth forever”—and they trust to Him the Supreme Grand Master of the Universe has already given the welcomed “Enter to the rest prepared for you from the foundations of the world.”

Resolved, That the members of this Grand Chapter deeply sympathize with the family of our deceased E. Companion, and truly tender them their sincere condolence.

Resolved, That in testimony of the respect of the Masonic Fraternity for the memory and sorrow for the death of David Hartwell, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter of Alabama, the members of the Grand Chapter wear the usual Masonic Badge of mourning for thirty days, and the Grand Chapter room be clothed in mourning for the unexpired term of this Convocation.

On motion of Comp. S. A. M. Wood—

Resolved, That the sum of \$600 is hereby set apart to defray the expenses of the representatives to the Gen'l Grand R. A. Chapter of the United States, to be holden in Hartford, Connecticut, in September next.

Resolved, That M. E. Grand H. P. be requested to visit all the Chapters in this State and give them the Work, as Chairman of the Committee of Work, as adopted by the Gen'l Grand R. A. Chapter.

The following Committees had further time granted:

The Committee on the Constitution.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence.

The Grand Chapter was called from labor to refreshment, until to-morrow, 3 o'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY, 3 O'CLOCK, P. M.,
December 7th, 1855.

The Grand Chapter was called from refreshment to labor by the M. E., W. A. Ferrell, G. H. P.

Grand Officers at their stations.

Minutes read and approved.

Comp. Black, from the Committee on Chartered Chapters, No. 1, submitted the following report:

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To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Alabama :

Your Committee, No. 1, on Chartered Chapters, beg leave to report, that they have examined the returns of the following Chapters, which they find correct :

No. 4, Monroe,	24, Eufaula,
9, Clinton,	30, James Penn,
19, Mt. Moriah,	34, Hermon,
21, Mobile,	35, Jas. L. Daniel,
22, Montgomery,	36, Pickensville,
	37, Concord,

The returns of the following Chapters are incorrect :

Cyrus, No. 4.—No R. A. date; grade of members not given.

Tuscumbia, No. 10.—No. R. A. date given.

Phoenix, No. 11.—No R. A. date given; no grade to members; withdrawals in list of members.

Marion, No. 12.—M. M. and M. E. M.'s numbered with members.

Wetumpka, No. 17.—M. M. and M. E. M.'s numbered with members.

Jameston, No. 18.—No grade to members; no Masonic date given.

Courtland, No. 25.—Date of R. A. M. wrong.

Union, No. 26.—Not signed by the H. P. or Secretary ; P. M.'s numbered with members.

Dayton, No. 27.—Members not numbered.

St. John's, No. 28.—Three names under head of suspensions. expulsions. &c, without designating which they should be placed under; no R. A. date given.

Euraka, No. 29.—No R. A. date given.

Perfect Friendship, No. 31.—No R. A. date given.

Fulton, No. 32.—No R. A. date given.

Autauga, No. 33.—No R. A. date given.

Your committee would recommend more care in the Secretaries; and in this connection, they would award special commendation to the Secretaries of Mobile Chapter, No. 21, Eu-

faula, No. 24 and Jas. L. Daniel, No. 35, for the beautiful and correct returns made out by them.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN BLACK, Chairman.

Com. Watson, from the Committee on Chartered Chapters, No. 2, reported the following, which was adopted:

To the M. E. Grand Chapter of Alabama:

Your Committee, No. 2, on Chartered Chapters, beg leave to report that they have examined the returns of the following Chapters, and find them correct, viz:

No. 40, Camden,	46, Jerusalem,
42, Macon,	56, Zerubbabel,
45, Dadeville,	61, Signet,

The returns of the following Chapters are incorrect:

Tuskegee, No. 43.—Suspensions and expulsions under the head of remarks.

McKinley, No. 48.—Error in heading of report; certificate of H. P. and Secretary wrong in form and substance.

Hope, No. 49.—Date of R. A. M. wrong; no H. P. mentioned in officers.

Sumterville, No. 50.—No King; date of R. A. M. wrong.

Allenton, No. 52.—No grade to members.

Uchee, No. 53.—No R. A. date.

Tyrian, No. 54.—Date of R. A. M. wrong.

Suggsville, No. 55.—No grade to members; two names under the head of suspensions, expulsions, &c., without saying which; P. M.'s numbered with members. This Chapter places in the column of remarks, against the dues of three members, the words, "no dues," without saying why. Dues overpaid 50 cents.

Lebanon, No. 57.—P. M.'s numbered with members; dues overpaid 50 cents; returns not signed by H. P. or Secretary nor dated.

Bladon Springs, No. 59.—Rejections in wrong place; no date of R. A. M. given.

Hiram, No. 60.—No grade to members; P. M.'s numbered with members; dues overpaid 50 cents.

Midway, No. 63.—No grade to members; no seal; P. M.'s and M. M.'s numbered with members.

Central, No. 64.—No seal.

We find a great difference in the order of placing the officers in the returns, and would recommend the Secretary's of the different Chapters to place the officers in the order they are arranged in the Constitution. Great carelessness is manifested by most of the Secretaries in making out their Annual Reports. We recommend more care in the Secretaries.

We beg leave, in conclusion, to offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, 1. That twelve months be allowed those Chapters, who have no seals, to procure them.

Resolved 2. That the sum of 50 cents be refunded Sugsville Chapter, No. 55; 50 cents to Lebanon, No. 27; and 50 cents to Hiram Chapter, No. 60, for dues overpaid by them.

Respectfully submitted.

H. P. WATSON, Chairman

Comp. Ervin, from the Committee on Dispensations, made the following report:

To the Most E. G. H. P., King, Scribe and Members of the G. R. A. Chapter of Alabamas

Your Committee on Dispensations to whom was referred the proceedings of Russell Chapter, No. 65, beg leave to report thereon, that they have examined the By-Laws of said Chapter, together with the proceedings of the same, find the By-Laws in conformity with the Constitution and proceedings neat and correctly kept. We recommend a Charter issue.

Respectfully,

R. H. ERVIN, Chairman.

On motion of Comp. Wood:

Resolved, That the sum of \$250 be and is hereby appropriated to our worthy Grand Secretary, for his services during the past year.

Resolved, That Comp. Hastings be allowed \$50, out of the funds of the Grand Chapter, for his services during the past year as Grand Treasurer.

Resolved, That the sum of \$20 be appropriated to the Grand Sentinel for his services during the past year.

Comp. Sykes, from the Special Committee, to whom was referred the resolution offered by Comp. Shelton, reported the following, which was adopted:

REPORT.

The committee to whom was referred the resolution with regard to suspending the rule established by the Grand Chapter, forbidding any new Chapter to be established within twenty miles of a Chapter already in existence, so far as the counties of Dallas and Pickens, beg leave to report, that they have considered the same and report the following resolution:

Resolved, That new Chapters may be established in the counties of Dallas and Pickens nearer a Chapter in existence than 20 miles, any law to the contrary notwithstanding:
Provided, That this resolution shall not be of effect for a longer period than two years.

Respectfully,

F. W. SYKES,

M. W. DAVIS,

S. A. MOORER.

On motion of Comp. Shelton—

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer take immediate steps to collect or renew the notes due this Grand Chapter with the interest thereon.

On motion of Comp. Wood—

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Chapter be tendered to the M. E. G. H. P., Wm. A. Ferrell, for the truly able, dignified and Masonic manner in which he has presided over its deliberations for the past Masonic year.

The Grand Chapter was closed until the next Annual Convocation, December 2d, 1856.

WM. A. FERRELL, G. H. P.

AMAND P. PFISTER, Grand Secretary.

DEATHS.

No. 4.	Monroe	-----	Daniel McCall, April 7.
22.	Montgomery	-----	Nathan Harris, September 28.
24.	Eufaula	-----	Wm. Cowart, August 13.
29.	Eureka	-----	D. Hartwell, January 30.
			John G. Rogers, March 6.
31.	Autauga	-----	Joseph P. DeJarnette, May 6.
35.	Jas. L. Daniel	-----	Richard M. Johnson, May 26.
			Dr. B. J. J. Mitchell, June 7.
			Rev. Leonidas Eubanks, Aug.
42.	Macon	-----	Gabriel M. Scott, October.
64.	Central	-----	W. J. White, August.

SUSPENDED.

No. 6.	Cyrus	-----	C. Heslip.
			J. B. Boggs.
10.	Tuscumbia	-----	F. H. Ross.
22.	Montgomery	-----	Lob Marks.
			J. C. Bates.
			R. A. McGibbony.
			James D. Randolph.
			A. W. McLendon.

28. St. Johns -----J. F. Conoley.
E. G. Wilson.
J. R. Robinson.
31. Perfect Friendship --Samuel Richards.
P. W. Webster.
43. Tuskegee-----M. S. Kelton.
49. Hope -----Jacob Miller.
Hugh Cunningham.

EXPELLED.

- No. 43. Tuskegee -----W. W. Moore.
61. Signet -----J. W. Winn.

REGISTER OF CHAPTERS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ALABAMA.

	Chapters.	Locations.	Counties,	High Priests.	Secretaries,
1	Tuscaloosa,	Tuscaloosa,	Tuscaloosa,	Henry McGowen,	Henry Kulper.
4	Monroe,	Claiborne,	Monroe,	R. C. Torrey,	W. C. Sewell.
5	Eunomia,	Huntsville,	Madison,	R. C. Brickell,	J. T. Yeatman.
6	Cyrus,	Florence,	Lauderdale,	Samuel D. Weakly,	T. F. Pettus.
9	Clinton,	Athens,	Limestone,	John Turrentine,	W. A. Hine.
10	Tuscumbia,	Tuscumbia,	Franklin,	John Sevier,	John N. Greene.
11	Phoenix,	Greensboro,	Greene,	F. M. Peterson,	W. Kerr.
12	Marion,	Marion,	Perry,	E. V. Levert,	John G. Huckabee.
15	Hayneville,	Hayneville,	Lowndes,	No report,	
17	Wetumpka,	Wetumpka,	Autuga,	W. A. Allen,	W. T. T. Hatchett.
18	Jameston,	Warsaw,	Sumter,	Gray Little,	J. B. Wilkinson.
19	Mount Moriah,	Clinton,	Greene,	D. Harrison,	B. T. Higginbotham.
20	Livingston,	Livingston,	Sumter,	D. L. Ayres,	S. W. Murley.
21	Mobile,	Mobile,	Mobile,	James Wilkins,	J. A. Miller.
22	Montgomery,	Montgomery,	Montgomery,	H. P. Watson,	Thomas Welsh.
23	Talladega,	Talladega,	Talladega,	John M. Moore,	W. Taylor.
24	Eufaula,	Eufaula,	Barbour,	J. H. Danforth,	C. W. Snow.

25	Courtland,	Courtland,	Lawrence,	J. C. Baker,	J. H. Lorance,
26	Union,	Uniontown,	Perry,	J. L. Price,	J. G. Hudson.
27	Dayton,	Dayton,	Marengo,	Syd. Smith,	E. Rogers.
28	St. Johns,	Selma,	Dallas,	John M. Strong,	Wm. Waddell, Jr.
29	Eureka,	Lowndesboro,	Lowndes,	C. C. Howard,	A. J. Caffey.
30	James Penn,	Jacksonville,	Benton,	J. R. Clark,	W. H. Forney.
31	Perfect Friends'p	Benton,	Lowndes,	W. S. Knox,	Henry Traun.
32	Fulton,	Fulton,	Dallas,	William H. Norris,	W. M. Ridgeway.
33	Autauga,	Autaugaville,	Autauga,	B. F. Davis,	A. W. McNeil.
34	Hermon,	Union Springs,	Macon,	T. L. McGowan,	J. J. Pitts.
35	James L. Daniel,	Glennville,	Barbour,	A. C. Mitchell,	W. M. Turner.
36	Pickensville,	Pickensville,	Pickens,	H. S. Shelton,	W. H. Terrell.
37	Concord,	LaFayette,	Chambers,	E. J. Bacon,	J. L. Williams.
39	Turnbull,	Turnbull,	Monroe,	No report,	
40	Camden,	Camden,	Wilcox,	S. G. Cochran,	J. D. Catlin, Jr.
41	Washington,	Summerfield,	Dallas,	B. J. Harrison,	C. N. Briggs.
42	Macon,	Auburn,	Macon,	J. W. W. Drake,	P. H. Swanson.
43	Tuskegee,	Tuskegee,	Macon,	W. P. Chilton,	Daniel Sayre.
44	Choctaw,	Mt. Sterling,	Choctaw,	W. W. Lang,	C. N. Wilcox.
45	Dadeville,	Dadeville,	Tallapoosa,	M. C. Lane,	A. W. Ballard.
46	Jerusalem,	New Prospect,	Greene,	W. A. Ferrell,	J. K. Elliott.
48	McKinley,	McKinley,	Marengo,	W. B. Modawell,	Y. M. Moody.

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49 Hope,	Hope,	Pickens,	E. R. Shipman,	T. B. Gardner.
50 Sumterville,	Sumterville,	Sumter,	L. H. Anderson,	W. G. Myers.
51 Franklin,	Sparta,	Conecuh,	No report.	
52 Allenton,	Allenton,	Wilcox,	J. G. Bythewood,	D. W. Carter.
53 Uchee,	Uchee,	Russell,	M. W. Davis,	T. M. Walton.
54 Tyrian,	Troy,	Pike,	J. McCaleb Wiley,	R. F. Cook.
55 Suggsville,	Suggsville,	Clarke,	James S. Dickinson,	Samuel Forwood.
56 Zerubbabel,	Oak Bowery,	Chambers,	W. S. Wilkinson,	W. F. Slaton.
57 Lebanon,	Lebanon,	DeKalb,	J. H. Willoughby,	P. D. Phillips.
58 Hartwell,	Cahaba,	Dallas,	James Kelly,	J. A. Loder.
59 Bladon Springs.	Bladon Springs.	Washington,	W. A. D. White,	A. H. Hutchison.
60 Hiram,	Bragg's Store,	Lowndes,	S. D. Moorer,	R. D. Hunter.
61 Signet,	Society Hill,	Macon,	T. F. Flournoy,	H. Crowell.
62 Rockford,	Rockford,	Coosa,	William Garrett,	Geo. E. Brewer.
63 Midway,	Midway,	Barbour,	Moses Padgett,	J. C. P. Kennymore
64 Central,	Montevallo,	Shelby,	James George,	R. B. Sawyer.
65 Russell,	Stevenson,	Jackson,	A. A. Russell,	A. C. Austin.

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