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FOREWORD

So far as I am aware the work which follows is the first one to set forth in detail the history of the Societas Rosicruciana since its foundation in England in 1865. Although the Society has never had a large membership, it has shown astonishing vitality. Not claiming descent from the Rosicrucians of the later middle ages, it has no traditions to propagate and no assertions to defend. Unconnected with other organizations of more or less Theosophical tendency which make use of the Rosicrucian name, it has always held closely to its own aims and purposes. It is neither mystic nor esoteric. It is a society of students and investigators interested in the history, traditions, philosophy, and symbolism of Freemasonry or allied to it.

Just at this time the Society, especially in the United States, is taking on a new lease of life. Interest in the study of the more philosophic aspects of Freemasonry and of its history and traditions has been greatly stimulated. As a natural consequence Masonic scholars and investigators are moved to unite in groups in which they may find sympathy and assistance. The time is fully ripe for the production of such a work as this.

Frater Voorhis has done an excellent piece of work and has laid us under a great obligation. With the skill and patience of a born investigator he has sought out the original sources, pieced together the sometimes scanty evidence, and given us a comprehensive and reliable view of the development of the Society since it was founded in England.

I can not too heartily thank Frater Voorhis for his work or too strongly commend it to our Fratres generally.

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PREFACE

Custom has succeeded in establishing the necessity of prefixing something to whatever is sent abroad in the form of a book. With the hope that he may be acquitted of a charge of vanity or folly because he has something to say, which so far as he knows, has not yet been said, the author usually gives his preface the form of an apology—frequently veiled but usually quite openly.

The object of this author is to set down, in simple language, the discovered historical data concerning our Society. Prolixity has purposely been avoided, in the belief that a terse book would stand a better chance of being read than a more pretentious volume. The object is therefore one of utility rather than one of literary expression.

Rosicrucian history has not been of perennial interest but within the last few years there has been a revival of interest with the added zest caused by new investigators and a certain activity within the modern Rosicrucian societies, Masonic and otherwise. This work is entirely devoted to what may, quite understandingly, be called the "Masonic Rosicrucian Society." References to other Societies or groups calling themselves Rosicrucian or claiming to be Rosicrucian in substance or nature have neither place nor attention herewith. It is my sole desire to give a concise reference book to present and future Fratres of our Society.

Acknowledgement is made:

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To record my sincere thanks for the unfailing assistance of libraries and other individuals of whom I have made inquiries, to show my appreciation for their help would be no greater if their names were listed. My acknowledgment of their many courtesies is therefore extended "en bloc."

If the interest of the Fratres in this history of their Society equals that of all of those who have aided me, the labour has not been for naught.

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Chapter I

THE HISTORY OF ORGANIZED MASONIC ROSIKRUCIANISM



THE last few years have seen an increase, or more properly a revival, of general interest in Rosicrucianism. An interest among Freemasons has been especially noticeable because the two orders have a common spiritual descent. This revival has aroused a keen interest in the history of the Rosicrucians which is entirely logical. It is extremely difficult, however, to lift the thick veil which obscures the history because the ancient brethren of the Rosy Cross did not allow their secrets to become common knowledge. The search for the origin of the Rosicrucians carries us back to a very remote past. It leads us through a series of hidden traditions coming down to us by way of the Brahmins of India, Hermes Trismegistus of Egypt, Orpheus of Greece and other repositories.

The Rosicrucians, while living among men, could not be found because they had no organization or society known to the uninitiated. They did not seek fame or care for distinction of honors and they were, and still are, quite indifferent to putting their knowledge to commercial use.

It is not necessary to be identified with a lodge or society or order to be a Rosicrucian. There have been and there are some such individuals even in this country. While a few of these have become members of exoteric societies to be in touch with other congenial spirits and avenues of fraternal strength, most of them remain unknown.

Rosicrucian history, therefore, is obscured in considerable darkness, prior to the formation of an exoteric society in 1866. Like ancient Freemasonry, with which Rosicrucianism interlaces to some extent, the difficulty of research lies in the scarcity of published records.

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Rosicrucianism is a survival of the early forms of INITIATION well known to students of the occult under various names. The nominal Founder of our Society—Christian Rosencreutz—did not invent the doctrines that were promulgated in the 15th century. He can be regarded, however, as the Founder of the system as it became known to the world at large upon the publication of the *FAMA FRATERNITATIS* in 1614. Only a few persons seem to have been given the right to function as recognized members of Rosicrucian Colleges. Fludd (died 1637) of England and Maier of Germany are examples.

In our present history we are not concerned with matters Rosicrucian beyond the era of the extant organized Society. We are, therefore, in the main, concerned with its history in its relation to our own Society, that is to say, the Masonic Rosicrucians.

It is well, before actually embarking upon the sea of our existence, to consider our status in general. We "are by no means the only descendants of the original *Collegium*, for in Germany and Austria there are other Rosicrucian Colleges of more direct descent than our own, which are not fettered by any of the limitations which Freemasonry has imposed upon us, and some of these, although not composed of *many* members, include students who understand many curious phenomena, which our Zelators have not studied." (*THE ROSICRUCIANS* by W. Wynn Westcott). "Earlier English Rosicrucian Colleges have no Masonic basis, and some fraternities abroad certainly admitted women on equal terms, of which fact there is extant literary proof." (*HISTORY OF THE SOC. ROS. IN ANGLIA* by W. Wynn Westcott, 1900. See also "The Admission of Sigismund Bacstrom," dated Sept. 12, 1794, in *THE ROSICRUCIAN* of Oct. 1876.)

Connection has been established in several instances with other Rosicrucian groups as indicated by the following excerpts from *DATA OF THE HISTORY OF THE ROSICRUCIANS* by W. Wynn Westcott, page 11:

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In 1887, by permission of S.D.A., a Continental Rosicrucian Adept, the Isis-Urania Temple of Hermetic Students of the G.D. was formed to give instruction in the Mediaeval Occult Sciences. Dr. W. R. Woodman, the S.M., with S.A. and S.R.M.D., became the Chiefs, and the latter wrote the Rituals in modern English from old Rosicrucian MSS. (the property of Frater S.A.), supplemented by his own literary researches. Frater D.D.C.F., in 1892, supplied the Ritual of an Adept Grade from material obtained from a Frater, L.E.T., a Continental Adept. Several other Temples sprang from the Isis-Urania, viz., the Osiris, at Weston-super-Mare; the Horus, at Bradford; the Amen Ra, at Edinburgh; and the Athathoor, at Paris, in 1894, which was consecrated by F.E.R. Frater S.A. resigned from this Association in 1897, and these English Temples soon after fell into abeyance.

In 1890 the Rosicrucian groups on the Continent were reformed under a revised Constitution, and several Fratres of the S.R.I.A. have received ADEPTSHIP from the Continental Fraternity.

During the year 1899-1900 the grade Socius (or Associate) *Honoris Causa* was conferred upon Dr. Gerard Encausse (Papus) and Brother Caesar Kupferschmidt.

It is not within our province nor is it our intention to record or discuss the nature of any Rosicrucian group hereinafter mentioned—aside from our own. Being in contact with all of the known Rosicrucian bodies, more especially with those in the United States of America, we will endeavor to record as many data, commensurate with the purpose of our study, to give a concise record of Rosicrucian activities from a historical viewpoint as, it is believed, may be desired by the inquisitive mind.

The Society of Rosicrucians was given its present definite form in 1866 by Robert Wentworth Little of England, actual Founder of the reconstructed Society.

Frater Little was educated for the Church, but turned aside to enter the Civil Service; after some years of service in Dublin, he migrated to London and became an official at Freemasons' Hall in 1862, becoming Cashier in 1866, in which position he remained until his appointment in 1872, to the office of Secretary to the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, in which he did excellent work up to the time of his death. (Obituary.)

Frater Little died on April 12, 1878, in his 39th year. He was buried at Croyden in Surrey, England.

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Brother William Henry White, Grand Secretary of English Freemasonry from 1810 to 1857 (died 1867), is believed to have come into possession of certain Rosicrucian papers and rituals on his attaining office in 1810. Of these he made no active use but upon his retirement in 1857, passed on the information contained in them to Brother Robert Wentworth Little, at the same time admitting and recognizing Brother Little as a Frater, thereby qualifying him to confer the grades of the order upon others.

The only literary evidence of the source of our Rosicrucian ritual from Brother W.H. White is contained in a letter in possession of the society ***** The original MSS. which Little possessed never came into possession of the present Magus [Westcott] who has thus few proofs in writing of the historic basis, which he lays down in this sketch of the society. The most natural conclusion is that Little returned these papers to some obscure portion of the records at Freemason's Hall, and that they are there still, although the present officials have not traced them. This explanation is very probable, because in September, 1871, a Brother Matthew Cooke raised a complaint in Grand Lodge against Masonic officials for discovering, using and removing old manuscripts from the record rooms of Freemason's Hall. These papers supplied the basis for the reconstitution of the Order of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine as well as of the Rosicrucian Society. They were both Christian bodies, and their records had been hidden away since the time of the Grand Mastership of the Duke of Sussex, in 1813, who, favouring the Unitarian doctrine, did all in his power to remove Christian grades from notice.

Our records include a letter from the Rev. T. F. Ravenshaw, Grand Chaplain of England, one of the earliest Fratres of the Society, confirming much of the historic information which the author received from Dr. Woodman, Woodforde, Mackenzie and Irwin. This letter recites as follows: (1) That the first S.M., Frater Little, explained to him that the German Fraternity had an established regulation which permitted distinguished members to confer Rosicrucian grades in due order on suitable persons. (2) That a certain Venetian Ambassador to England in the last century, had conferred Rosicrucian grades and knowl-

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edge on students in England; these in their turn had handed on the rule and tradition to others, of whom one of the last survivors was Frater William Henry White, Grand Secretary of English Freemasonry from 1810 to 1857; he retired and lived until 1866 [sic] (3) From the papers he possessed, Frater White admitted Frater Robert Wentworth Little. (4) These papers came into Little's possession at Freemasons' Hall on Frater White's retirement from office. (5) The rituals are mentioned as being imperfect for open ceremonial use. (HISTORY OF THE SOC. ROS. IN ANGLIA by Dr. W. Wynn Westcott—1900).

The Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia was designed in 1865 by Frater Little with the aid of Kenneth R. H. Mackenzie as an English Masonic Rosicrucian Society of a less esoteric character than the continental Rosicrucian bodies. (See Note.)

Mackenzie's qualifications for the work were gained during his stay in Austria where he received Rosicrucian initiation while living at the residence of Count Apponyi, as an English tutor. He also received much occult knowledge from the Abbé Alphonse Louis Constant, better known as the famous Kabbalist and Occultist, Éliphas Lévi Zahed, whom he visited on December 3 and 4, 1861, and with whom he corresponded.

Despite these admirable Rosicrucian and occult qualifications, Mackenzie was barred from membership in the newly formed Rosicrucian Society of England because he was not at that time a brother of the Masonic fraternity. This deficiency was healed on March 9, 1870, when he was duly initiated in the Royal Oak Lodge, No. 871, at Freemasons' Hall, London.

It was not, however, until April 11, 1872, that the Supreme Magus Robert Wentworth Little proposed Brother Kenneth R. H. Mackenzie as an honorary member. The proposal received a favorable ballot at the meeting of July 18, 1872, and on October 17, 1872, Brother Mackenzie was advanced to the Degree of Zelator in due form. (He died July 3, 1886.)

Thus was inaugurated England's point of contact with legitimate and genuine Rosicrucian sources.

Note. These statements are made, notwithstanding the existence, at hand as this is written, of *The Tree of Common Wealth*, by Edmond Dudley, Esq., 1509-1510, printed for "The Brotherhood of the Rosy Cross," Manchester, England, 1859.

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The earliest extant minute book of the Society contains the minutes of the meeting held on June 1, 1867, and continues the record until January, 1871. From that time until April, 1873, there are no written records. The signature book, which gives the names of the Fratres who attended each meeting from April, 1873, to January, 1875, and a set of quarterly notices are extant. From January, 1875, to date, the written minutes are complete.

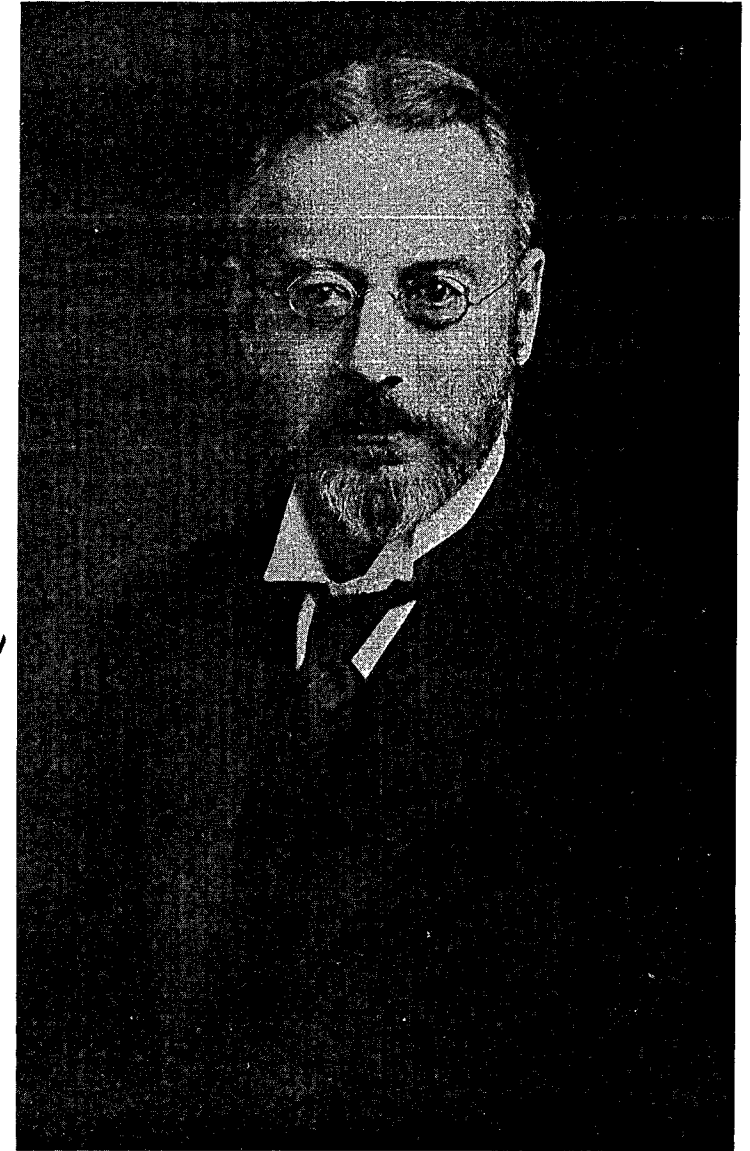
In 1868, THE ROSICRUCIAN, a magazine, was established in London, the first number appearing in July. It contains a resumé of the proceedings of Metropolitan College and was issued quarterly. The last number appeared in October, 1879, thirty-six numbers being published. From 1885 to date, Metropolitan College has privately printed its transactions in annual volumes. There will be found most of the papers presented at the convocations and in the Study Club of the College as well as many references to High Council matters. There have been printed, at various times, proceedings of the High Council for the Fratres of the Third Order. Taking all of the above into consideration, an unbroken record of the Society and its High Council is available in recorded form.

In the first issue of THE ROSICRUCIAN, we find a notice for a meeting of the Rosicrucian Society of England for July 2, 1868. The Rt. Hon. Lord Kenlis (later made The Earl of Bective) is listed as Honorary President, the other officers being as follows:

Robert Wentworth Little.....S.M. & M.W. Master-General
William James Hughan, S.S.M. & R.W. Deputy Master-General
William Henry Hubbard.....J.S.M. & V.W. Primus Antient
William Robert Woodman, M.D.VIII°, Secretary-General

On page 6 are found the "Rules and Ordinances of the Rosicrucian Society of England."

On October 8, 1868, Rt. Hon. The Earl of Jersey accepted the office of Honorary Vice-President and in the January, 1869, issue of THE ROSICRUCIAN we find the Earl listed, to-



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gether with Frederick Martin Williams, Esq. M.P., as Honorary Vice-President.

At the meeting at which the Earl of Jersey was elected we find that "Twelve Brethren having been proposed, seconded and balloted for, were approved for the grade of Zelator; of whom the following, being present, received THE RITE OF PERFECTION." There were seven elected Brethren present and twenty-five Fratres. We find THE RITE OF PERFECTION as the entrance ceremony for a number of years and then this designation no longer appears in the records. From this it might be assumed that it was part of the present Zelator Grade or in the ritual of the ORDER OF SECRET MONITOR which was included in the Rosicrucian Grades in 1868 but properly excluded a few years later on the recommendation of Fratres Woodman and Mackenzie.

Colonel Francis Burdett was elected an Honorary Vice-President on January 14, 1869, in the presence of thirty-five Fratres and received THE RITE OF PERFECTION. He is listed in the April, 1869, issue of THE ROSICRUCIAN for the first time, together with the other two Honorary Vice-Presidents.

At the April 8, 1869, meeting of Metropolitan College, Captain F. G. Irwin of Bristol was given permission to form a College at that city to be composed of twelve members, including himself as Chief Adept. The College was opened by Captain Irwin in January, 1870 and several Aspirants were given the Second Grade.

At the same meeting at which permission was given to form a College in Bristol, Frater Angelo J. Lewis (who does not appear to have been an officer of either the Grand Imperial Council or Grand Senate of the Knights of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine) posted a notice of motion, to wit: "1—That new admissions into this Society be restricted to members of the Red Cross Order. 2—That the regalia of the Red Cross be worn at meetings of this Society by those who are Knights of

that order." On July 8, 1869, this matter was brought up when "Frater Lewis withdrew his motion for the present." On October 14, 1869, this same Frater "withdrew his motion unconditionally." This is a matter of interest because practically all of the high ranking officers in the Red Cross Order were also high ranking officers in the Rosicrucian Society.

On July 14, 1870, Brother Hargrave Jennings was elected an Honorary Member as was Rt. Honorable Lord Lytton, the latter being requested to accept the office of Grand Patron of the Order and he is so listed in the July, 1871, issue of THE ROSICRUCIAN. Lord Lytton died on January 18, 1873, and in the February, 1874, issue of THE ROSICRUCIAN we find The Earl of Bective listed as Grand Patron, Colonel Francis Burdett as Honorary President and Frederick Martin Williams, The Earl of Jersey and John Hervey, Esq., the Grand Secretary of English Freemasonry (who was admitted to the College in 1870) are listed as Honorary Vice-Presidents.

On February 28, 1871, Frater C. F. Matier was ordered to form a College in Manchester.

At the October meeting of 1871, the formation of a College at Cambridge was considered on the petition of Frater J. Oxley Oxland. Although nothing further is mentioned concerning this College it is listed in 1877 under the name of University College together with the other Colleges under *aegis* of the English Society.

On April 24, 1873, it is recorded "That M. Alphonse Louis Constant (occult name Éliphas Lévi Zahed) of Paris, be elected an Honorary Foreign Member of the Society and that Frater Mackenzie be requested to transmit a notice to him of the fact."

In August, 1873, there is recorded an essay on Rosicrucianism by Albert Mackey of the United States of America. This appears to be the first mention of an American having any connection with Rosicrucianism. So far as is known Mackey never became a member of an exoteric Rosicrucian Society.

The High Council was rendered distinct from Metropolitan College in 1874 and the activities of the College itself are

so headed on January 8, 1874. We find the first recording of a High Council meeting on April 24, 1874, when "It was decided that the government of the Rosicrucian Society be vested in the High Council, consisting of the Magi and Magistri Templi, the 9° and 8°" and that the "titles Master-General and Deputy Master-General be abolished henceforth."

In the notice for the January 14, 1875, meeting, the Secretary-General indicates his grade (honorary ninth) by the use of the Arabic numeral inside of a triangle. This appears to be the first printed use of this designation.

On October 6, 1877, Yorkshire College at Sheffield was consecrated. It became dormant in 1880. On December 17, 1877, Burdett College at Middlesex, London and Hampton Court held its preliminary meeting. It was not successful and finally merged with Metropolitan College in April, 1879.

The first Supreme Magus, Robert Wentworth Little, died on April 12, 1878, at the age of 39 years. He left a sealed letter appointing as his successor Dr. William Robert Woodman as Supreme Magus. The Adepts accepted his nomination and on April 15th, Dr. Woodman accepted the office.

In January, 1879, shortly after the new Supreme Magus came to his office, a new Zelator certificate was approved.

York College was formed on November 5, 1879, at the time of the institution of the Province of Yorkshire. The College was opened at Queen's Hotel, York, under the rule of R.W. Frater Thomas Bowman Whytehead.

In March, 1881, Frater A. M. Broadley received the Honorary Eighth Grade and was given permission to form a College in Tunis, Africa.

A paragraph in the June 1, 1881, number of THE KNEPH, the official organ of the Antient and Primitive Rite of Masonry, published in London and edited by Brother Kenneth R.H. Mackenzie, LL.D, tells us that "members of the Rosicrucian Society in England will be glad to hear that the long-promised certificate and seal has at last been issued by the Authorities. We congratulate our enthusiastic Brother Dr. Woodman,

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P.G.S.B., upon this auspicious event and we trust that the unselfish labor he has devoted to this interesting branch of Masonic science, will bear good fruit in the future."

In January, 1885, Metropolitan College started its issue of Annual Reports with abstracts of the lectures read before the College. We find in the 1887 report of a lecture delivered by R.W. Frater Dr. William Wynn Westcott, Honorary 9°, titled "The Zelator Ritual of the Societas Rosicruciana of the United States of America."

Demiurgus College, Melbourne, Australia, was warranted on January 21, 1886, under the rule of Frater J. D'Amer Drew, Chief Adept.

In 1887 three learned members of the Society, Fratres Woodman, Westcott and S. L. McGregor Mathers, received the CHABRATH ZEREH AUR BOKHER or *Order of the Golden Dawn*.

Newcastle College, Newcastle, England, was warranted on June 18, 1890. It was consecrated on July 23, 1890.

In 1900 a Study Group was formed by the Society in London. Its activities are reported in the Transactions of Metropolitan College.

Dr. Woodman, Supreme Magus, died on December 21, 1891, after a few months of illness. As in the previous case, at the death of Supreme Magus Little, a sealed letter was left (with his nephew) addressed to the society appointing as his successor Dr. William Wynn Westcott, who in February, 1892, at the next quarterly meeting, was officially proclaimed as such. Frater Woodman was buried at Willesden Cemetery. The Royal Horticultural Society has erected a handsome and appropriate cenotaph to his memory. A photograph of the cenotaph is shown opposite page 48 of the 1912 Metropolitan College Transactions.

Berlin College, Berlin, Germany, was warranted on April 10, 1902, under the leadership of Theodore Reuss, Hon. 8°. In the minutes of October 9, 1902, we find this entry: "The S.M.

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said the new Province of Germania which he had formed, and the new College of Berlin were consecrated on July 8, 1902, with much success, R.W. Frater Theodore Reuss, Hon. 8°, of Berlin, who was initiated in Pilgrim Lodge 238, London, being the first Magus and Celebrant of the College. ***The S.M. said he had designed a small certificate of membership of the Society, suitable for carrying in a pocket-book; these would be issued to all new Fratres in addition to the large certificate already in use, and any present member could have one on application." On April 13, 1905, the list of Honorary members carried Fratres Ladislav de Malczovich, 9°, Emil Adrianyi, 5°, T. Reuss, 5°, and R. Gross, 5°. The College was declared dormant by the High Council on July 11, 1907.

On October 9, 1902, Frater Dr. Robert James Blackham of the Army Medical Service and four candidates of whom he approved, received a warrant for a College at Umballa, Northern India.

In the Transactions for 1902 we find the active members of the Society shown by a degree designation in Roman numerals for the first time in print.

In the minutes of January 12, 1905, we find the following: "Brother James William Squires, P.M., of Chippewa Falls Lodge, No. 176, Wisconsin, U. S. A., was duly elected and being in attendance, was then admitted in solemn form by the R.W. Celebrant, the secrets being given by the M.W. Supreme Magus." He was a resident of London at the time and was in England for some time afterwards. He was erased from the College roll on Jan. 9, 1909.

Frater Squires was born in Bridgewater, England, on March 20, 1864. Just when he came to America is not known but in 1887 he was employed as a bookkeeper in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin. He was made a Master Mason in Chippewa Falls Lodge, No. 176, on October 11, 1887, and was W.M. in 1895. He was subsequently an accountant in a large lumber concern and when the lumber business ceased there he went to England for a number of years. Later he returned to the United

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States and resided in Ohio where he died on October 18, 1916. He is buried in the Masonic plot at Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin.

Christchurch College at Christchurch, New Zealand, was the next College warranted. The event took place on January 11, 1906. V.W. Frater S. Clifton Bingham, who was admitted to the Society in East of Scotland College, March 17, 1902, and certified a member of Christchurch College, S. I. R. A., on November 28, 1905, was made the Celebrant of the College.

Ladysmith College at Ladysmith, Natal, South Africa, was chartered on July 12, 1906, with Frater Thomas Clegg as first Celebrant and Wynn Westcott College at Buenos Ayres, Argentina, South America, came into existence on October 11, 1906, with Frater W. H. Dyke as first ruler.

In 1907 the Supreme Magus visited the Province of South Africa between the months of April and July.

"The M.W. Supreme Magus informed the Fratres that, in company with 10 members of the Metropolitan College, he attended at Bradford on the 28th of March, 1908, and consecrated a new College there, which had been named Woodman College in memory of M.W. Frater William Robert Woodman." It was warranted on March 21, 1908.

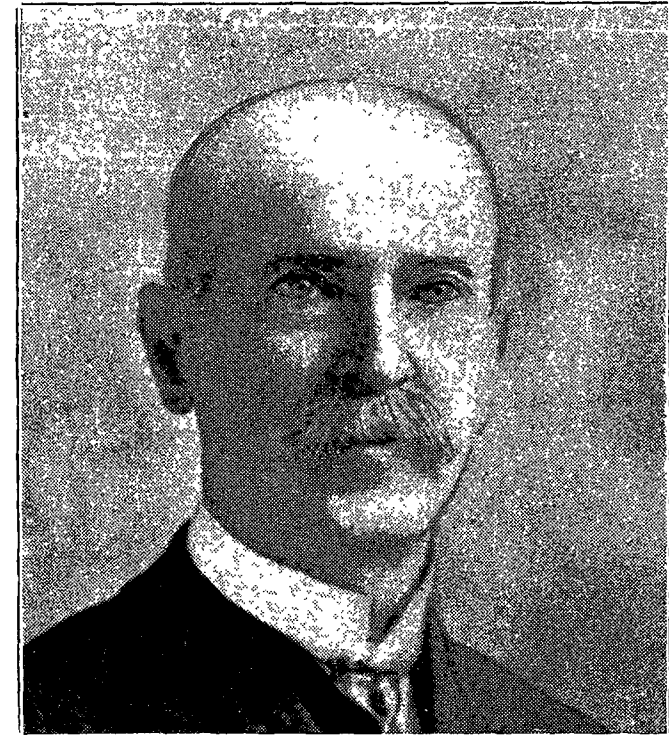
Emil Adrianzi, 5°, is listed in 1909 Transactions as living in Pontet, Austria.

A warrant was issued for a second College in the North Western Province of India on April 15, 1909. The College selected the name of Pymander, and Captain Gorham was made the first Celebrant. It was located at Rawal Pindi.

On July 8, 1909, Rudyard Kipling of Lodge No. 783 was elected and admitted to the Grade of Zelator.

Robert Fludd College was warranted for Bath, England, on November 29, 1909. Frater George Norman was made the first Celebrant.

At the High Council meeting of January 13, 1910, a petition was received from the Sheffield Masonic Literary Society to revive Yorkshire College—first referred to by William Wynn



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Westcott as Hallamshire College—in that city. The petition was approved and on April 9, 1910, the revived College was consecrated, and Dr. John Stokes was made 8° and its Celebrant. It started with 43 Founders.

In the minutes of High Council for April 14, 1910, there is recorded that "Letters from a Brother Geo. Plummer, of New York, were read and considered, regarding the grant of a warrant for a new College in New York, by reason of the previous Colleges being all in abeyance, and it was resolved to refer the matter to the Secretary-General and Frater W.J. Songhurst for enquiry and report to the High Council in July." No further reference concerning this matter has been found in the minutes.

On October 13, 1910, "The R.W. Secretary-General informed the Fratres that at a meeting of the High Council which has just been held, a warrant had been granted for the revival of the Lancashire College at Bolton."

From DATA OF THE HISTORY OF THE ROSICRUCIANS, page 12, we obtain the information that "In 1911 a CONCORDAT between the Supreme Magus of England and Colonel Todd Stewart, the Supreme Magus of Scotland, was signed, and General Thomas J. Shryock was recognized as Supreme Magus in the United States of America."

Birmingham and Midland College at Birmingham, England, was warranted on June 5, 1915, with Frater Walton Walter as the first Celebrant.

William Wynn Westcott College was warranted on May 31, 1919, at Brighton, England. The first Celebrant was J. W. Hobbs.

Mersey College was warranted on April 23, 1921, in Liverpool, England. The first Celebrant was G. E. Osborne.

The London College of Adepts was warranted on September 29, 1922. It is composed of members of Metropolitan College who have the Adept grades. These grades are worked at the pleasure of Metropolitan College. The first Celebrant was Frater G. F. Irwin, VIII°.

On June 19, 1924, Metropolitan College of Scotia celebrated its jubilee. In the 1924 Transactions of Metropolitan College of London, a recording of the affair is spread over two pages, and a half page cut of M.W. Frater Joseph Inglis, S.M. in Scotia, is reproduced. A letter from M.W. Frater William Wynn Westcott, S.M. in Anglia, from Durban, Natal, Africa, is printed in full.

On July 30, 1925, the Supreme Magus died at Durban, Natal. A photograph of the stone erected over his remains is reproduced opposite page 24 in the 1925 Transactions of the Metropolitan College.

The Secretary-General issued a summons for the Electoral College, which met in Mark Masons Hall on October 8, 1925, at 3 P. M., and Frater W. J. Songhurst was nominated and elected by unanimous consent.

The English Society has had twenty-four regular Colleges in its sixty-six years of existence, including the College of Adepts. In addition it has also formed a Study Group. Some of the Colleges were never active and some are dormant. It is likewise responsible for the formation of the High Councils of Scotland and Greece and indirectly those of Canada and the United States.

The Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia has at the present thirteen active colleges including the College of Adepts as follows:

Chartered

- 1867—Metropolitan College, London, England.
- 1871—Lancashire College, Manchester, England.
- 1877—Hallamshire College, Sheffield, England.
- 1879—York College, York, England.
- 1886—Demiurgus College, Melbourne, Australia.
- 1890—Newcastle College, Newcastle, England.
- 1906—Christchurch College, Christchurch, New Zealand.
- 1908—Woodman College, Bradford, England.
- 1909—Robert Fludd College, Bath, England.
- 1915—Birmingham & Midland College, Birmingham, England.

1916—William Wynn Westcott College, Brighton, England.

1921—Mersey College, Liverpool, England.

1922—London College of Adepts, London, England.

The following have held the office of Supreme Magus:

1867-1878 -----Robert Wentworth Little

1878-1891 -----William Robert Woodman

1891-1925 -----William Wynn Westcott

1925 to date -----William John Songhurst

The present Senior Substitute Magus is R.W. Frater Dr. George Norman, IX°, and the Junior Substitute Magus is R.W. Frater David Flather, IX°.

The other officers of the High Council are:

Secretary-General, Lt. Col. T. M. Wakefield, 9°

Recorder-General, Col. F. M. Richard, 9°

Chaplain-General, Rev. G. F. Irwin, 9°

Treasurer-General, Lt. Col. C. Powney, 9°

Librarian-General, G. C. Parkhurst-Baxter, 9°

Director-General of Ceremonies, F. J. Asbury, 9°

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The present Rosicrucian Society in Scotland dates its continuous existence from October 24, 1873, at which time the College of the East of Scotland, now known as Metropolitan College, was inaugurated. The Society in Scotia is the parent Society of the Societas Rosicruciana in the United States of America.

There is some difference of opinion as to whether there was an earlier group of the Society in Scotland emanating from the English body. For the sake of reference, the belief, that an earlier group existed, is supported by the following evidence (no contemporary records being in possession of either the Metropolitan College or the High Council in Scotia).

1. In Dr. Wm. Wynn Westcott's HISTORY OF THE SOCIETAS ROSICRUCIANA IN ANGLIA, privately printed in London in 1900, a statement, attributed to R.W. Frater William James Hughan, Past Senior Substitute Magus, is made that there was "a Society of Rosicrucians" in Scotland, with Frater Anthony O'Neal Haye as Chief and J. M. Bairnsfather as Secretary, before 1867.

2. In THE ROSICRUCIAN for October, 1868, page 24, another statement says that "Frater Haye is the Chief of the Scottish Rosicrucians."

3. Dr. Westcott, in his History, states that Frater O'Neal Haye "was the Chief in Scotia, and remained so until Charles F. Matier was appointed Supreme Magus in 1870." Most Worthy Frater J. Mason Allan, IX°, present Supreme Magus of the Society in Scotia, calls attention to the fact that Frater Matier was not a member of the Society in 1870, and gives a reference from THE ROSICRUCIAN of January, 1871, page 125, showing a notice dated January 5, 1871, and summoning a convocation of the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia to be held on January 12th, wherein Matier's name is in the list of the

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aspirants to the Grade of ZELATOR. He was not admitted on that date, however, but on Tuesday, February 28, 1871 (see THE ROSICRUCIAN of April, 1871, page 152). The article likewise states that "authority was granted to Frater Matier to found a College of Rosicrucians at Manchester."

4. The minutes of the Convocation of the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia of April 8, 1869, show that Brother David Murray Lyon, M.A., of Ayr (Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland 1879-1890), was admitted an Honorary and Corresponding Member for Scotland.

5. Dr. Westcott further states that Brother John Laurie (Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Scotland 1872-1877) was admitted a Frater on January 13, 1870, and "appointed by Dr. Woodman to be Magus in Scotia." This is not recorded in the printed minutes of January 13th nor any of the records near that date. In 1873 Frater Laurie was Chief Adept. Dr. Woodman did not become the Supreme Magus in Anglia until 1878. He could not, therefore, have appointed Frater Laurie a Magus in 1870. Fraters Matier and Laurie were declared Magi in Scotia in 1876.

Most Worthy Frater Allan concludes from the evidence that:

1. A Rosicrucian Society was formed in Scotland in 1866 but that it became defunct.
2. That East of Scotland College was formed in 1873 under a commission from the Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia.
3. These conclusions are not affected by the fact that several members of the later body had also been members of the earlier body.

The inauguration meeting of the East of Scotland College was held on October 24, 1873, in Freemason's Hall, Edinburgh, Frater Charles Fitzgerald Matier, Hon. 9°, being commissioned to open the College. It was presided over by the newly appointed Chief Adept, Frater Laurie. Three brethren, including the Provincial Grand Master of Aberdeenshire East, were

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received into the Society and promoted to the grade of THEORICUS.

It appears that the College was subject to the Society in Anglia, the supreme authority exercised by the premier College in London, which the following year received the name, "The Metropolitan College of England." The High Council in Anglia, comprising the Magi and Magistri, was constituted on April 24, 1874, and the daughter colleges, including that of the East of Scotland, came under its jurisdiction.

As above mentioned, Fratres Matier and Laurie were constituted the first Magi in Scotland. They were so constituted at a meeting of the High Council in Anglia meeting in London, January 13, 1876. The action resulted from a proposal by Supreme Magus, M.W. Frater R. Wentworth Little, which was seconded by R.W. Frater W. H. Hubbard, Junior Substitute Magus. From this date the Societas Rosicruciana in Scotia can be regarded as having entered upon an independent existence. At this meeting a resolution was passed that "the ritual be revised by the Supreme Magi of England and Scotland." Thus is shown the immediate co-equal status of the Supreme Magi of the two Societies.

At the time of his appointment as Supreme Magus in Scotia Frater Matier was Chief Adept of the College of Lancashire and the Northern Counties and continued to be so until April 18, 1877. Thus he held, for a short time, high office in the Rosicrucian Societies of both England and Scotland.

The first charter issued by the newly created High Council in Scotia was for an American College. The following is a list of all of the charters issued:

A—Oct. 24, 1873, John Laurie, Metropolitan College. (The East of Scotland College.)

1—May, 1878, Jonathan John French, Illinois, U. S. A. (Dormant.)

2—Dec. 27, 1879, Charles E. Meyer, Pennsylvania, U. S. A. (Dormant.)



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3—Apr. 18, 1880, Albert G. Goodall, New York, U. S. A. (Dormant.)

4—May 4, 1880, Alfred F. Chapman, Massachusetts, U. S. A.

5—May 10, 1880, Thomas J. Shryock, Maryland, U. S. A. (Dormant.)

6—Oct. 27, 1880, James Dalrymple Duncan, The College of the West of Scotland.

7—Apr. 18, 1908, William G. P. MacMuldrow, The Cape Colony College. (Dormant.)

8—Sept. 5, 1913, Rev. Henry Guy Sclater, The County of Fife College. (Dormant.)

9—Nov. 13, 1923, Alexander Finlay Mackenzie, The Inverness College.

The first reference concerning the Illinois College was found in a letter from M.W. Frater Charles E. Meyer, first Supreme Magus of the Society in the United States, to Albert Pike, Washington, D. C., dated July 10, 1880. Nothing was known concerning this College in America. M.W. Frater J. Mason Allan, IX°, in searching for a record of the procedure in Scotland came upon an old chartulary which contained as a first charter entry one in favor of "Frater Jonathan John French, Magister Templi, VIII°, (*Veritas vis amicitiae*) Honorary 9° of Scotland," which gave him authority to open and hold a College for the state of Illinois, U. S. A. Frater Allan remarks that "The copy, however, is incomplete in two respects: (1) while it was granted in the month of May, 1878, the day of the month has not been entered; and (2) the names of the Magi who signed the charter have not been entered." (See mention of this charter in letter of Charles E. Meyer under Canadian Society history.)

The Metropolitan, West of Scotland, and Inverness Colleges are active. Complete data on the first two are already in print so this information will not be repeated here. (See METROPOLITAN COLLEGE 1873-1923 by J. Mason Allan; and JUBILEE HANDBOOK 1880-1930—WEST OF SCOTLAND COLLEGE by S. H. Rains and A. D. Mac Kinven.)

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In a letter from M.W. Frater J. Mason Allan, IX°, S.M. in Scotia, dated August 24, 1933, he says:

The Charter for the Cape Colony College was granted in response to a petition from fourteen Brethren but unfortunately no list of their names has been preserved, and the only name we know is that of Frater MacMuldrow. He was a Scotsman with interests in South Africa, and travelled much between this country and the Cape. He died in this country [Scotland] quite recently. We have no record of any of the activities of the College, and I doubt if it was ever very active. It has probably been moribund for many years.

The County of Fife College has been dormant since 1923, but there have been some suggestions made recently that it should be resuscitated, and this matter is at present under consideration.

The following Most Worthy Fratres have held the office of Supreme Magus in Scotia:

1876-1877, Charles Fitzgerald Matier.

1877-1893, Lord Inverurie. (Made the Earl of Kintore in 1880.)

1893-1908, James Dalrymple Duncan.

1908-1918, Col. James Todd Stewart.

1918-1931, Joseph Inglis.

1931- , J. Mason Allan.

The present Senior Substitute Magus is R.W. Frater John Sime, IX°, and the Junior Substitute Magus is R.W. Frater J. G. Duncan, IX°. The other officers of the High Council are:

Secretary-General, William S. Mallock, VIII°.

Recorder-General, James Sime Waterston, 9°.

Chaplain-General, Henry Lessels, VIII°.

Treasurer-General, Thomas J. Wenning, VIII°.

Librarian-General, James Barclay, VIII°.

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The following letter, dated Athens, Greece, July 14, 1880, was written by His Imperial Highness Prince Rhodocanakis (titular Macedonian prince) in reply to a letter from Frater Albert Pike:

When I was in London in 1871, I was created an Honorary Magus of the Rosicrucian Society of England, whose founder was the late Brother Little, and whose Honorary President, the Earl of Bective, with powers to establish a Supreme Lodge of that Society for the Kingdom of Greece

On my arrival here I established one. I announced the fact to London, and I was acknowledged in due course. A few years later, I nominated our friend, Colonel MacLeod Moore as Honorary Member of this Supreme College and a Magus, IX°, and granted him a Warrant, to establish a Supreme Council in Canada; this he has done****.

The only reference to this matter in the archives of the English Society is found in the Golden Book where appears a statement of admission of Prince Rhodocanakis in October, 1872. Rt. Worthy Frater Richard, 9°, Secretary-General of the Society in England, who has informed me about this matter, further states: "It is thought that he went to Manchester sometime after his admission but nothing further is known of him in connection with the S.R.I.A."

It is obvious that the date in the Golden Book and that in the Prince's letter do not agree but as the Prince was in Greece in July, 1872, just after returning from London, it is more than likely that the year 1871 is the correct one.

Practically nothing is known concerning the Rosicrucian Society itself in Greece. It is not probable that it functioned at all as an operative entity. The body (if it may be termed such in this instance) has no accessible records. The only member known besides the Prince is Prof. Emmanuel Gellanis, who was Secretary-General.

Information concerning Prince Rhodocanakis is so difficult to find that, in the interest of future investigation, I am setting

down all that has been found concerning him after a rather extensive search in American libraries.

It is significant to note that the Prince was one of the five Freemasons who are known to have been honored with the academic degree entitled "Doctor of Universal Masonry" emanating from the American Body of the "Allied Masonic Degrees", viz.:

Josiah H. Drummond, U. S. A.
 William James Hughan, England.
 The Earl of Euston, England.
 D. Murray Lyon, Scotland.
 Demetrius Rhodocanakis, Greece.

Prince Joannes Rhodocanakis, born May 11, 1812 (Greek style) was our Prince's father. He was married on the Island of Chios (Scio), a small island in the Aegean Sea about 32 miles in length, which was a possession of Turkey. The marriage took place on February 19, 1840, and on December 3, 1840, on this same island, Prince Demetrius (named after his grandfather) was born. He was the 8th titular or hereditary Emperor of the Byzantine Empire. He is a direct descendent of Nicephorus Ducas Rhodocanakis, first King of the Island of Rhodes and founder of the Royal and Imperial House of Rhodocanakis. A copper coin struck during his reign A.D. 914-929 was owned by His Holiness Pope Pius IX.

The Prince became a British subject by letters of naturalization dated December 24, 1867 (see Report of Naturalized Aliens, printed by order of the House of Commons and dated July 7, 1868, page 18). Although he resided in West Worthing, Sussex, England, in September, 1870, he was made a Mason in Edinburgh St. Andrews Lodge, No. 48, in Scotland, in October, 1869. He was received into the A.A.S.R. of Scotland and on April 28, 1870, was made a 33° Mason. In 1872 he returned to Greece and on July 11th of that year was elected Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Greece, a body which was founded by him. On the next day, through his efforts, the Supreme Coun-

cil of the A.A.S.R. was formed and the Prince was chosen Sovereign Grand Commander, an office which he held until his death, thirty years later. He was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge for nine years.

A letter dated October 30, 1878, from the Prince, shows that he had created General John Meredith Read, United States Minister to Greece, a 33° Mason by permission of the authorities in the United States.

Prince Rhodocanakis is principally known in English speaking Masonic circles for his work THE IMPERIAL, CONSTANTINIAN ORDER OF ST. GEORGE, London, 1870, and its relation to the Order of the Red Cross of Constantine.

He died on September 15, 1902, in the Grecian island of Syra, one of the Cyclades group, eleven miles long, in the Aegean Sea some ninety miles from Chios, the island of his birth.

The only other Rosicrucian connections, which have come to light and in which the Prince figures, will be found in the history of the Society in Canada which follows.

In a letter to the writer dated December 8, 1933, the Grand Secretary-General of the Supreme Council, A.A.S.R., for Greece, writes: ". . . we have been, unfortunately, not able to discover further information as to the effects of Prince Rodocanachi [sic] or anything concerning activities or names of your Society [Rosicrucian] in Greece."

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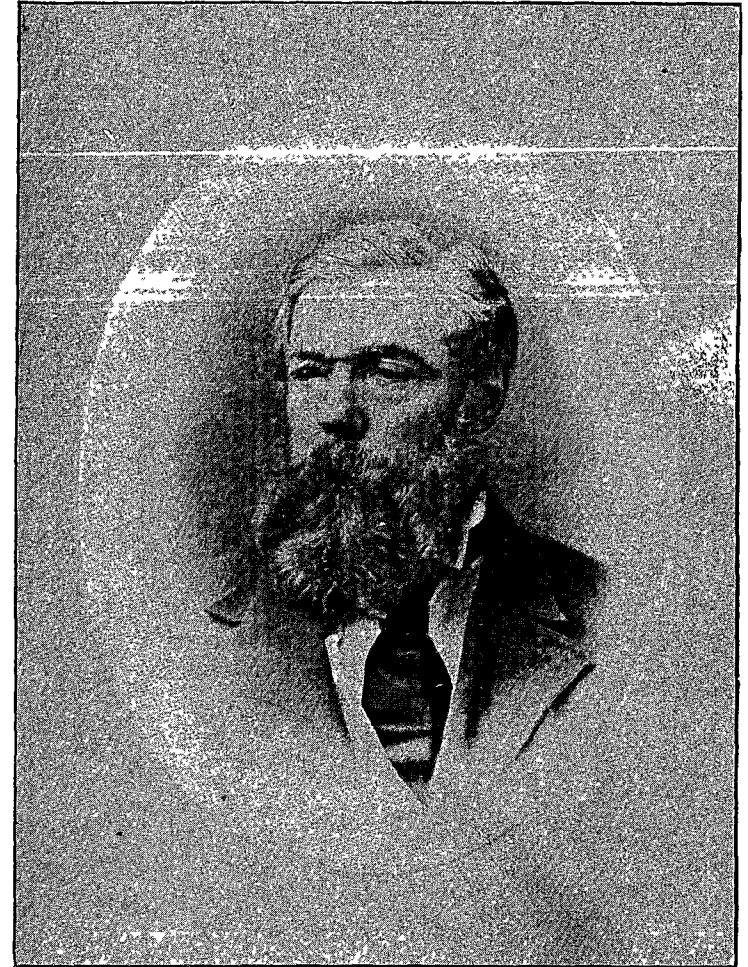
M.W. Frater William J. B. MacLeod Moore, first Supreme Magus of Canada, wrote to Frater Albert Pike in Washington, D. C., on April 26, 1880, from Laprairie, Province of Quebec, Canada, as follows:

The Rosicrucian Society of Canada is supreme and independent and was organized by charter from H I Highness, The Prince Rhodocanakis 33°, IX°, Supreme Magus of the Rosicrucian Society for the Kingdom of Greece, bearing the date of 19 Sept., 1876. There is one Provincial College at the village of Maitland, Ontario.

Frater N. W. J. Haydon, VII°, of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, a member of the New Jersey College, U. S. A., has discovered confirmatory evidence substantiating the above in the form of a letter from Prince Rhodocanakis dated June 30, 1876. The letter is addressed to Col. W. J. B. MacLeod Moore as S.M., asking him to prepare a declaration to be signed by his proposed associates in the College, promising obedience and secrecy. Frater Haydon says: "What may be the original draft of this declaration is attached in Colonel Moore's handwriting and is signed by himself, T. D. Harington, 33°; Geo. C. Longley, 32°; John Dumbrille, 32°; Robert G. Heney, 32°; A. G. Hewey, 18°; D. Collins, 18°; all of Maitland, Ontario, Canada, and J. Easton, 18°, of Prescott, Ontario. This is dated May 31, 1876."

The Society appears to have been started with nine charter members, although only eight are listed above. For three years little or nothing was accomplished. In April, 1880, a correspondence was entered into between Frater Moore and Albert Pike concerning matters Rosicrucian. The correspondence shows the true facts of the inactivity of the Canadian Society and Pike's connection with organized Rosicrucianism in America. Extracts from the letters, therefore, follow:

The first letter, dated Laprairie, Province of Quebec, Canada, April 14, 1880, informed Frater Pike that the Rosicrucian



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rituals would be sent to him to copy and return. It also stated that "Harington, Longley and myself have it all in our own hands in Canada but have done nothing as yet" The following day the the rituals were sent with another letter to Pike stating: "Of course we make you a member of our Society in Canada, and as you are a resident of the U. S., and not of Canada, we give you the Grade of Magus, or IX°, the *highest*, and attach you to our College as an Honorary Member. *** In this way we preserve our rule of *limiting* the IX Grade to 3 *only* in *Canada* and still give you the distinction your distinguished Masonic career and brilliant talents so justly entitle you to Harington and Longley, my two confrères IX° are only too happy to associate you with us."

Concerning matters of information and ritual, Frater Moore says that he only sends part but will try to obtain the rest from England commenting: "I must tell you honestly I have not paid much attention to it, but both Harington and Longley are willing to give you all of the assistance in their power. The fact is, there are so few who care or understand anything about it, that heretofore it has been uphill work, and, like many other good and desirable associations, allowed to *die out* for the want of material."

In the next letter addressed to Frater Pike, dated April 26, 1880, we find the following:

By the old law and custom of the Society, any Society lawfully organized as the Supreme Body in any country or nation, is at liberty to grant a charter of constitution to any other nation, in which the Society has not before existed, as was done to Canada by the Society of Greece.

I believe the Society has an existence and an organized body in the United States. I think Frater Meyer of Philadelphia has instituted a College. I think he derives his authority from England as he entered the Society at York, and he is an Hon. Member of the College there, of which I am also a member. If the Philadelphians have a *regular warrant* of constitution for the United States, you would be required, I presume, in courtesy, to apply to them for authority for a Provincial College at any point in the *Northern Jurisdiction*. If they have not this charter or warrant from a lawful national Society, then they are

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self constituted and illegitimate. If the latter is the case, then you and *two others* as the 3 Magi could be granted a charter by us, for the whole United States if you so wished it.

Every supreme and independent Society governs the whole nation for which its charter gives its authority. *We will except* the U. S., which may have two jurisdictions, Northern and Southern.

The United States might very properly, following the system of A. and A.S. Rite, be divided into two jurisdictions, that of the North and South. We will be quite *willing* and even *desirous* to grant to *you* and *two* other associates that you may name (whom we will *create Hon. IX° of Canada*) a charter acknowledging you to be the supreme and independent College of the Rosicrucian Society of the United States, the territory to be embraced to be the same as that at present included in the jurisdiction of the S.J of the A and A.S. Rite.

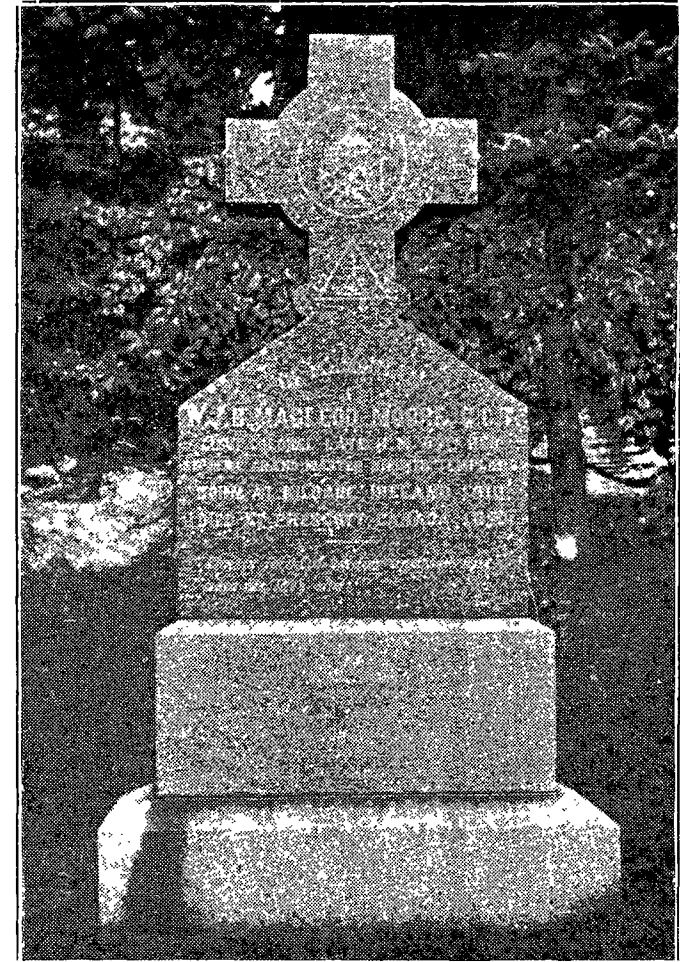
You can alter, add to, change or *abolish* the *rituals*, as you may see fit. Indeed it is very desirable that you should do so, as it must be confessed that *what rituals* we at present have are *very poor* affairs. If *you* will take the matter in hand and bring *your* store of Rosicrucian and Hermetic learning to bear on the matter, you will confer the greatest favor on the Society generally.

Canada will adopt with thanks *any* system of *ritual* that you may propose.

Enclosed with the letter was a summons for York College, England, for a convocation on February 24, 1880, which contained the information that M.W. Fratres W. J. Hughan, Hon. IX°; W. J. B. MacLeod Moore, IX°, S.M. of Canada, and Charles E. Meyer, IX°, of Philadelphia, would be proposed as Honorary Members.

The remark of Moore concerning the rituals is reflected in a letter from Prince Rhodocanakis to Frater Pike, bearing the date of July 14, 1880, as follows:

For myself, I found the rituals so full of nonsense that I returned them and used none whatever. I have tried to give the Society a sort of literary form and to connect it as nearly as possible with Hermeticism. You are aware that the Rosicrucian order of which we are Supreme Magi pretends to represent the older fraternity of the Rose Croix which flourished the first fifteen years of the 17th century. If you could yourself write Rituals for the various degrees of Rosicrucianism, having as a basis the old ceremonies of that Order, the present Order would owe a debt of great gratitude to you. Brother John Yarker, a very learned and ill-used Mason, and a personal and dear



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friend of Colonel Moore and myself, knows better than anybody else everything relating to this Order, and would be of great assistance to you if you were to write to him.

When the date of these communications is taken into consideration and the close connection existing between Fratres Moore and Rhodocanakis. I believe I am able to detect a rather concerted effort on the part of these two Fratres to bring Frater Pike into a frame of mind to write the proposed rituals.

There is a letter extant from John Yarker to Colonel Moore, dated April 27, 1876, and stating: "It is but fair to inform you that the English Society of Rosicrucians hold under no warrant and have no authority to start the rite other than what you would have yourselves. We have a very excellent College in Lancashire but we have twice arranged to break off altogether from the London College as it is entirely in the hands of those who will not attend to its affairs."

In a letter dated May 17, 1880, Frater Moore stated: "I at once send you a Provisional Authority to enable you to declare your College established. Let me know if there is any alteration you would wish made or other names added, before I have a warrant properly engrossed for you. I enclose for you to look over my authority from H.I.H. Prince Rhodocanakis and other certificates. Frater Meyer wrote to Longley a day or two ago for our regulations. He was informed that you were a IX° of the Canadian College." The charter bears the date of May 17, 1880, the two Magi selected to act with Frater Pike being Charles Levi Woodbury, of Boston, Massachusetts, and William Morton Ireland, of Washington, D. C. (Reproduction of the warrant in color by courtesy of MERCURY, Vol. II, Number 12, June 18, 1917.)

Then follows a letter dated May 29th which continues on matters taken up in previous letters and announces the receipt of a letter from Frater Whytehead of York College, England, which states, among other items: "I have only the 1st and 2nd rituals and the S.M. (Dr. Woodman of Exeter) seems to have lost sight of some of the grades. They were first got from

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Germany, I believe, by the late Bro. Wentworth Little, who founded the English Order."

From this, it would appear, that Metropolitan College, founded in 1866, either possessed no rituals of any grade higher than the second or that the management had been so lax that rituals were lost after being received by Frater Little in 1857 from Frater White or those which Frater Mackenzie brought with him on returning from his stay with Count Apponyi.

On the same day that Frater Moore wrote Frater Pike a letter was written by Charles E. Meyer, 722 Arch Street, Philadelphia, to Frater Pike. It stated that the Philadelphia College had been established for two years and that "certain parties, whose names I am not at liberty to mention, are working to get control of the Society for the United States." He further states: "I have had a very unpleasant experience of the Red Cross of Constantine Order in this country. I was determined as the S. Magus of the only College in the United States to circumvent these persons and so set on foot the organization of a Grand High Council of the United States and thus keep the Society in the hands of those who would value it for what it is worth and keep out those not worthy. Had I known that you were of the IX° it would have been much pleasure to have had you with us in the organization, and hope you may be pleased to work with us. Why not organize a College in Washington, D. C., unless you have one already formed? I will be pleased to know the name of your College and, if one is not yet formed, which I infer in your letter, and you would like to organize one, I shall be pleased to know the name you select and shall forward the matter all I can. Let me know the date of your IX° and Latin motto. What has been done, has been done for the sole benefit of the Society. I do not think, am sure, there are not 5 in the United States."

On June 2, 1880, another letter from Frater Moore to Frater Pike says: "You have our full sanction to make such changes and amendments and to do *any* and *everything* you consider

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The Rosicrucian Society is calculated to meet the requirements of Free and Accepted Masons, who wish to study the Science and Antiquities of the Craft and trace it through its successive developments to the present time

It is entirely non-masonic in its character, with this sole exception that every aspirant is required to belong to the Masonic Fraternity. This is necessary as it will be found in antiquarian research that there are many points of resemblance between the esoterics of Masonry and those of Rosicrucianism, which it would be impossible to discuss with any degree of fulness before gentlemen who were ignorant of at least the first three Grades of Freemasonry

The object of the Society being purely literary and antiquarian, it is almost unnecessary to state that no interference with or opposition to, any rite of Freemasonry is intended or even tolerated. It affords to all a common platform to discuss for their mutual improvement—the writings and doings of those ancient worthies to whom we most unquestionably attribute a great, if not the greater part of the Freemasonry of the present century

No aspirant can be admitted into the Society unless he be a Master Mason and of good moral character, truthful, faithful and intelligent. He must be a man of good abilities so as to be capable of understanding the revelations of philosophy and science, possessing a mind free from prejudice and anxious for instruction. He must be a believer in the fundamental principles of the Christian doctrine, a true philanthropist and a loyal subject. Names of aspirants may be submitted by any member of the Society, and if approved after the usual scrutiny they shall be placed on the roll of novices, and balloted for, as vacancies occur in the list of members.

The Society in conformity with ancient usage, is divided into Colleges of thirty-six members and no more. Colleges are composed of nine classes or grades, and the number of brethren in each class shall be restricted as follows.

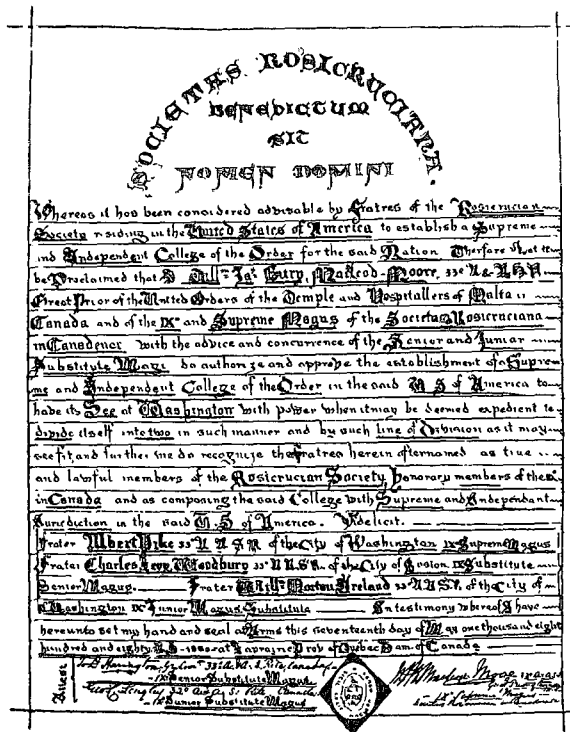
1st or Grade of Zelator,	8 Members.
2nd or Grade of Theoricus,	7 "
3rd or Grade of Practicus,	6 "
4th or Grade of Philosophus,	5 "
The above form the first order	
5th or Grade of Adeptus Junior,	4 Members.
6th or Grade of Adeptus Major,	3 "
7th or Grade of Adeptus Exemptus,	2 "
These compose the second order.	
8th or Grade of Magiste Templi,	1 Member. Total 36
9th or Grade of Magus.	

These are the third (or highest) order, and the members thereof shall be entitled to seats in the Council of the Society

THE FOLLOWING COLLEGES HAVE FORMED THE HIGH COUNCIL OF THE ROSICRUCIAN SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- PHILADELPHIA COLLEGE, Philadelphia, Charles E Meyer, IX, M. T.
722 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.
- NEW YORK CITY COLLEGE, New York City, Albert G Goodall, IX, M. T.
142 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.
- MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE, Boston, Alfred F Chapman, IX, M. T.
223 Washington Street, Boston, Mass
- CITY OF BALTIMORE COLLEGE, Balt., Thomas J Shryock, VIII, Hon IX, M. T.
West Falls Avenue, Baltimore, Md.

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best. We do not know of any restriction, excepting, of course, that it would not be advisable to increase or eliminate the number of *grades*, or alter the *names*, but as respects any changes you may wish to make in the *rituals*, etc., you have supreme power. We all feel quite certain that there are *no more* rituals extant, beyond those sent to you. Neither Frater Yarker, of Manchester, nor Captain Irwin, of Bristol, know of any more."

Five weeks later a letter dated July 10, 1880, and written in Philadelphia by Frater Meyer was received by Frater Pike which says: "We have gone too far with our High Council to stop. We have formed it according to Masonic law and usage. You must know that several years ago a charter was granted by Scotland to the late Bro. J. J. French of Chicago—this was for the state of Illinois." (See reference under the history of the Scotia Society.) A letter* is then quoted from England as follows:

Ford House, Exeter, England
June 7, 1880

Charles E. Meyer,
Supreme Magus, Rosicrucian Society, U. S. of America
Most Worthy Frater:

It is with hearty good wishes that I greet you as the Supreme Ruler of your Order in the United States of America, and your two colleagues, Frater Albert G. Goodall, S.S.M., and Frater Alfred F. Chapman, J.S.M. I am sure that all our Colleges will unite in cordially welcoming you into our Order, and our High Council will always be pleased to reciprocate with yours in furthering the advancement of Rosicrucian science. As the Supreme Magus of the Order in England I shall always be ready to recognize you as holding a similar position in America and may you and your colleagues be long spared to reciprocate with the Frateres in the Mother Country.

Your Brother,
Wm. Robert Woodman, IX^o
Supreme Magus in Anglia.

* (Note. This letter is printed on page 10 of the report of the first Annual Conclave of the Grand High Council of the United States, Boston, 1880, but in this report the date of the letter is given as July 3, 1880. This must be an error as it could not have been written on that day and yet be quoted by Frater Meyer in his letter written in Philadelphia on July 10th. The date June 7th is evidently the correct one.)

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Another letter received by Frater Pike pertinent to Rosicrucian activities at the time was written on July 15, 1880, by R. M. C. Graham, 25 Wall Street, New York City, as follows:

I duly received your letter with regard to Rosicrucian matters and learn from Bro. Goodall that he is organizing a College here, that he had reserved a place for me, but I declined to join, telling him that I already had the degrees, and if you did not interest yourself in it, I would not.

Frater Charles Levi Woodbury of Boston, who was one of those proposed by Frater Pike as a Magus, wrote a letter dated October 14, 1880, to Frater Pike in which he gave the latter some information concerning a meeting with Fratres Chapman and Meyer in Boston, in which they discussed the whole Rosicrucian situation. Nothing of value in the premises is contained in the letter.

Frater Harington wrote to Frater Pike about this time and sent him the regular warrant. (See plate opposite page.) The letter is dated Prescott, Canada, November 15, 1880.

The next item of interest is a letter from Charles E. Meyer, Supreme Magus, to Frater Pike containing a copy of the Resolution passed by the "High Council Societatis Rosicrucianae" in the United States granting the rank of Hon. Past Supreme Magus on Frater Pike. It is reproduced from a photostat herewith together with Frater Pike's reply, written the day following receipt of the letter from Frater Meyer.

It may be noted that Frater Pike's reply is not in his handwriting nor is it that of Bro. MacGrotty, who did all the ornamental penmanship in Frater Pike's manuscripts. It is believed to be in the handwriting of Brother Pike's son, who was at that time helping him as Secretary.

In passing, it is interesting to know that Frater Pike actually started to work on a set of laws and rituals for his High Council. This book has been preserved and it is hoped that it will be made available to the Fratres in due time.

This would seem to be General Pike's final connection with matters Rosicrucian. Let us now return to the Canadian Society proper.

"Societatis Rosicrucianae in U. S. of America"

Washington, D. C., Oct 17 1882.

Frater Albert Pike, *Esq.*

Very Dear Brother,

The Society of Rosicrucians assembled in G. H. Council at the Masonic Temple in the City of Boston, Mass, on the 18th Sept 1882, with unanimity adopted the following:-

"Frater Albert S. Goodall, Sen: Sub Magus and Frater Albert Pike, *Esq.*, of Washington, D. C. be elected to Membership and awarded the rank and position of Honorary Past Supreme Magus in this Grand High Council of the Society of Rosicrucians of the United States, that upon his acceptance thereof he be recognized as such, and on full membership with the privileges of a vote."

(Extract from the Minutes)

It gives us great pleasure, Dear Frater, to officially inform you of this action, and to request an early reply thereto.

We have the further pleasure of informing you that the G. H. Council will hold a brief Convocation at 5. P. M. this day at the Ebbot House, at which you are very gratefully invited to be present.

Sincerely Yours in the M. C.

Charles E. Meyer

Supreme Magus

C. S. M. Glenachan #9

Sec: Sen:

Albert S. Goodall

Sen: Sub: Magus

Washington
17th October 1882
Arthur B. Allen

Some steps
Your knowledge of the nature &
what my time was demanded by other
matters yesterday, was, I hope, sufficient
to secure me of not meet your delightful
from official communion either
When, in view of avoid disputes and
controversy, I determined to permit to
become demand the Grand Body of the
instructed of the Rosicrucian Society,
reached by me by notice of persons
dread from that of course, which desired
to know from that of course, with from
that of course, which enclosed some

relation. The degree and which shows
few circles, a membership in a
connected with the Society.
My reason was that I had voluntarily
concerned himself the position of the Society,
me to, but alone with having for, because
they refused to accept the position of the Society,
but in hand with having for, because
of the Society; and I found that
this work, (which I said commence
upon our present, from some extent),
was much larger than I anticipated,
requiring more time and labor than I
was convinced of me to consent to it.
showing of you are that of the
of the Society are to be not doing,
that, if the Society was to be really
Rosicrucian, some of the members and
I made it too by the preparation

of numerous autographs upon the subject
of Rosicrucianism; which I should
wonder if publication and something
new to do, and I am not the
member of the Society, free bound to be
deserve to appear at least one work of
that kind, which I have not the
time to do, and cannot at my age and
superior as I am, enjoy in the pro-
longed studies with which I would a work
and not Society myself
Thank you, thinking from Grand High
Council of the Grand Body of the
Rosicrucian Society
Albert Pike

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Just how active the Society became in Canada and when it can be said to have ceased active existence is a matter of conjecture. Most of the official documents were destroyed in a fire at La Prairie Barracks, where they were stored. The three Magi were all prominent Canadian Freemasons. Colonel William James Bury MacLeod Moore, initiated into Freemasonry at the age of 17 years in 1827 in Aberdeen, Scotland, is best known as Supreme Grand Master of Knights Templar of Canada. He was born at Kildare, Ireland, in 1810, and died in Prescott, Ontario, Canada, on August 31, 1890. Col. Moore received the degrees of the A. and A.S. Rite in New York City in 1863. In 1868 he was made an active member of the Supreme Council of England and Wales and in the same year he introduced the rite in Canada.

Thomas Douglas Harington was born in Windsor, England, on June 7, 1808, and died in Prescott, Ontario, Canada, on January 13, 1882. He was made a Freemason in Leinster Lodge, No. 283, Irish Regiment, Kingston, Ontario, in 1843. From 1860 to 1863 he served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada. He was Sovereign Grand Commander of the A. and A.S. Rite of Canada from 1874 to 1882 and a member of the various Masonic bodies existing during his time.

George Channing Longley was born in Maitland, Ontario, Canada, on December 24, 1827, and died in Toronto, Ontario, on February 23, 1885. He was the first Chief Adept of Dominion College No. 1. He was a member of many Masonic bodies and the recipient of three hundred and fifty-five degrees, according to his notebook. He was received into Freemasonry in Ogdensburg Lodge, No. 128, Ogdensburg, New York, U. S. A., in 1852. On April 17, 1882, he was elected a 33° Mason in the Thompson (Cerneau) Scottish Rite Body in New York City. During the same year he was made the first Sovereign Grand Commander of the Canadian branch of that body.

Most Worthy Frater Daniel Spry, IX°, was Supreme Magus of the Canadian Society following the death of Colonel Moore.

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Frater Spry was Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada.

A letter dated May 17, 1886, is extant, signed by R. L. Patterson of Toronto as Secretary-General of the Canadian High Council. This shows the Society was active as late as that date.

There was a College started in Peterborough also, but it is not known if it ever received a charter. However, Frater E. H. D. Hall says: "It did not survive for very long."

From the above and from information supplied by Fratres N. W. J. Haydon, VII°, and A. J. B. Milbourne, VII°, who are members of the New Jersey College residing in Canada, the following list of known members of the Canadian Society is compiled:

- *William J. B. MacLeod Moore, Prescott.
- *Thomas D. Harington, Prescott.
- *George C. Longley, Prescott.
- *John Drumbrille, Maitland.
- *Robert G. Heney, Maitland.
- *J. Easton, Prescott.
- *A. G. Hewey, Maitland.
- *D. Collins, Maitland.
- *Daniel Spry, Barrie and Toronto.
- *R. L. Patterson, Toronto.
- *Sir John M. Gibson, Hamilton.
- *Hugh A. Mackey, Hamilton.
- Osborne Shephard, Hamilton.
- E. H. D. Hall, Peterborough.

*Deceased.

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SOCIETAS ROSICRUCIANA IN CIVITATIBUS FOEDERATIS—PART I

News of the formation of a Rosicrucian Society in England became known to a number of eminent Freemasons in the United States, who interested themselves in an effort to introduce the Society in this country.* As a result, during a Masonic pilgrimage of Mary Commandery, No. 36, Knights Templar, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to Great Britain and Ireland, the party visited York, England. At midnight on July 25, 1878, Brother Charles E. Meyer, Past Master of Melita Lodge, No. 295 (Pennsylvania); Daniel Sutter, Past Master of Phoenix Lodge, No. 230 (Pennsylvania), and Charles W. Packer, Philadelphia Lodge, No. 72 (Pennsylvania), received the ZELATOR Grade in York College in the presence of Fratres of York and Sheffield Colleges. Subsequently Brother Mark Muckle, Past Master of Hermann Lodge, No. 125 (Pennsylvania), was admitted in Metropolitan College of London.

In a letter to Frater W. J. B. MacLeod Moore, Supreme Magus of the Rosicrucian Society in Canada, from Frater E. B. Whytehead of York College, England, regarding the above, he says: "We gave the 'degree' to the 3 or 4 Americans from Philadelphia in 1878, and they applied for a warrant, but not being able to evoke a response, they transferred their application to the Supreme Magus in Scotia, and got one and are now working under it." This warrant (charter) was made out in the name of Charles E. Meyer for a college in Pennsylvania and was dated December 12, 1879, according to records of our Society printed in 1880.

Considerable discrepancy has been found in the various

*There is nothing known concerning the outcome of the J. J. French-Illinois College. The only information found has been already given under the Scotia history. As this College had no part in the formation of the Society in the U. S. A. no further reference to it is made here.

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charter dates as heretofore published in different records of the Society. Most Worthy Frater J. Mason Allan, IX°, Supreme Magus of the Societas Rosicruciana in Scotia, has made a very careful search for data in the files of his High Council in an endeavor to clarify this discrepancy. Concerning the matter of Charters, he says:

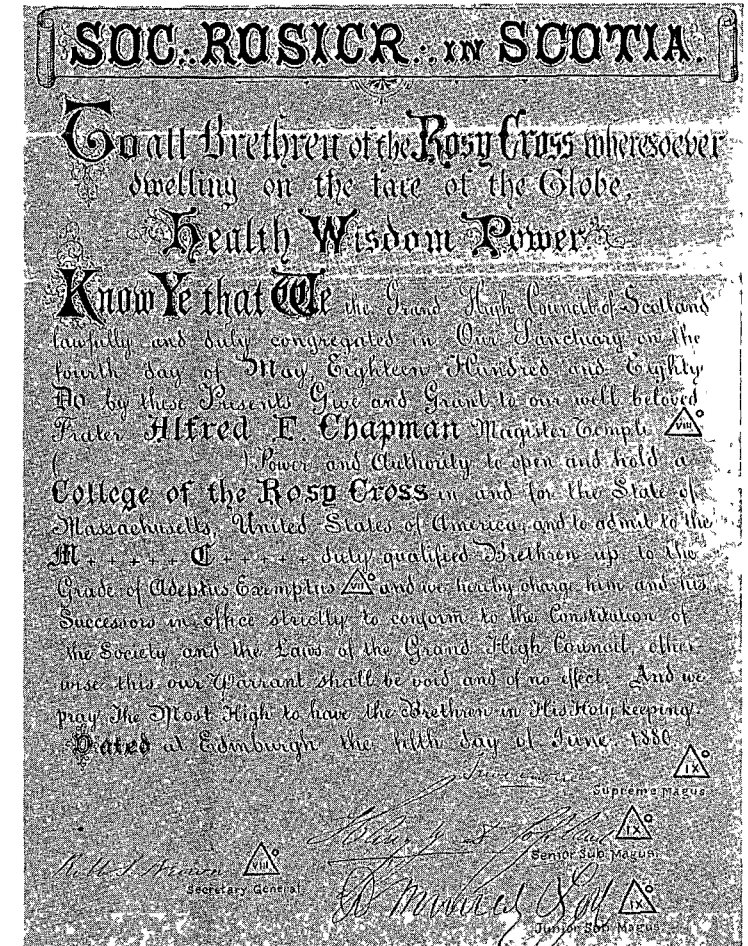
I should state that the *contemporary* records of our High Council for these early years are lost—the earliest entries in our Minute Book having obviously been written some time after the events they record—how much later can not now be determined. Amongst the earliest of these records are what purport to be copies of the Charters issued to the four American Colleges. I enclose copies of these as they appear in the Minute Book. They are in the handwriting of R.W. Frater R. S. Brown, who was then Secretary-General, and comparing the handwriting with what goes before and what follows, one could safely infer that all four were written at one "sitting."

In any case, I am satisfied that our early records, though "scrappy," are reliable so far as they go, and that the records copied by Frater Brown into the existing Minute Book were copied from some earlier and reliable source—possibly from loose sheets or from an old Minute Book which had become dilapidated. This last point suggests itself to me because the contemporary minutes of the East of Scotland College in those days are similarly very brief indeed—not such as would satisfy our historical sense nowadays—and that the old Minute Book itself is in a dilapidated condition. At that time Frater Brown was also Secretary of the East of Scotland College.

In a subsequent letter from M. W. Frater Allan, dated August 24, 1933, he says:

We have only this month recovered an old chartulary which contains *** MS. copies of charters issued by the High Council in Scotia. These are all in terms similar to the four of which I sent you copies.

A copy of the Philadelphia charter, the first of the four referred to by M.W. Frater Allan, shows the date of December 27, 1879. As the original is not in the archives of High Council, it is not possible to ascertain which date is correct. It is made out in the name of Charles E. Meyer (P.M. of Melita Lodge, No. 295, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Library Committee for twenty-one years, Past Grand High Priest, and Grand Secretary of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Pennsylvania for thirteen years).



Facsimile of Original Warrant for Massachusetts College,
Premier American College

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On April 9, 1880, another charter was granted by the Society in Scotia for New York College, Albert G. Goodall (P.M. of Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, but then affiliated with Holland Lodge, No. 8, of New York City) being named as first Chief Adept. The date of this Charter in our printed records agrees with the copy in the Minute Book of the High Council in Scotia. The original charter is not in our archives.

These charters were issued by authority of the Supreme Magus in Scotia, Lord Inverurie (Lord Kintore—"the former being the courtesy title which he bore before he succeeded to the earldom on the death of his father in 1880") and, if similar to the Massachusetts charter issued at the same source, were signed by his lordship; R.W. Frater H. Y. D. Copeland, S.S.M.; R.W. Frater D. Murray Lyon, J.S.M.; and Robert S. Brown, Secretary-General of the High Council of the Rosicrucian Society in Scotland.

Alfred F. Chapman, of Boston (who was General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of the United States of America, 1883-86) was qualified from the First to the Ninth Grade on April 19, 1880, by Charles E. Meyer. On April 20th, the following day, Frater Chapman qualified John Haigh, of Somerville, Massachusetts, and Albert C. Smith, of Boston, Massachusetts, with the Grades including the Honorary Ninth. On April 21st Caleb Saunders, of Lawrence, Massachusetts, was similarly qualified and the fees of forty dollars and fifty cents were forwarded to Frater Meyer.

The sum of £2/2/0 was sent to the Society in Scotland for a warrant (charter). A receipt from the Societas Rosicruciana in Scotia for that amount, dated October 8, 1880, and signed by G. Dickson (Dr. George Dickson, S.S.M. of Scotia, 1893-1901) 9°, Treasurer-General, is pasted in the Record Book of Massachusetts College and is reproduced herewith.

The two Colleges (Pennsylvania and New York) met according to agreement and at the call of Chief Adepts Meyer and

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Goodall in the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 21, 1880, and created the Grand High Council known as "Societas Rosicruciana Republicae Americae."

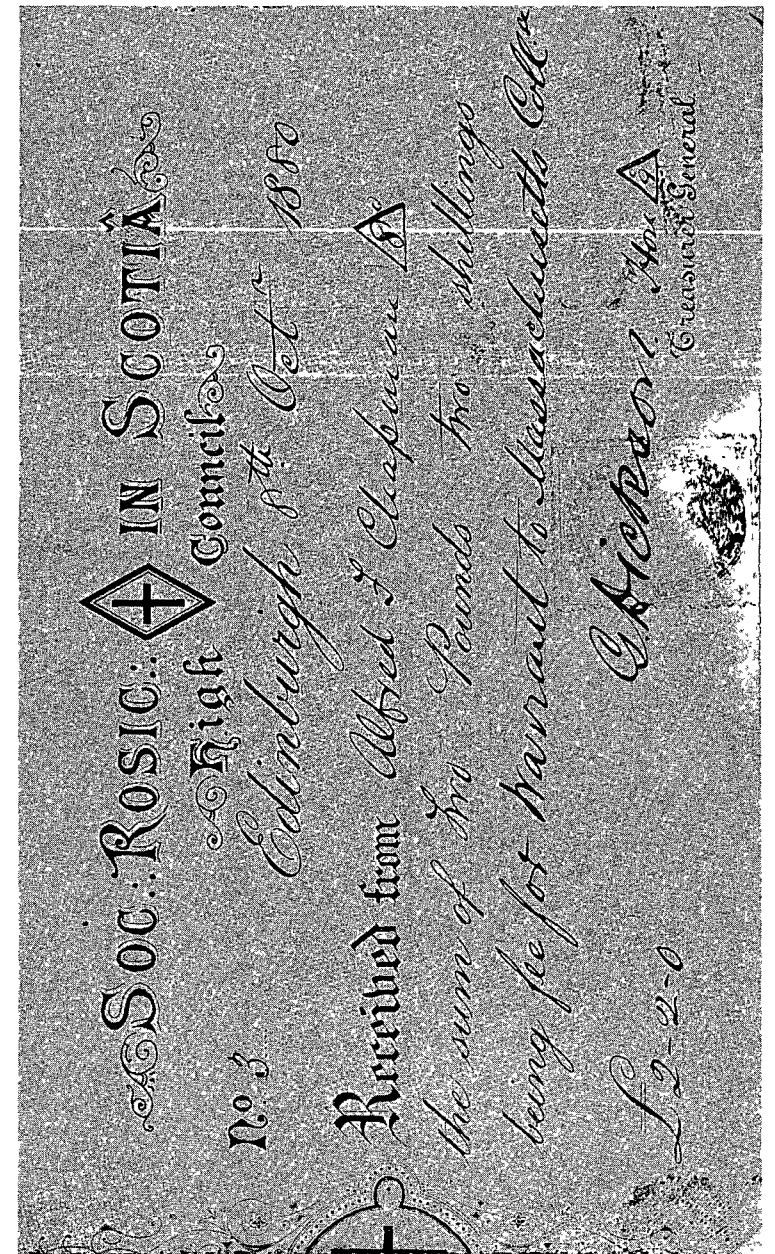
High Council's Officers were:

Supreme Magus	Charles E. Meyer, Philadelphia, Pa.
Senior Substitute Magus	Albert G. Goodall, New York, N. Y.
Junior Substitute Magus	Alfred F. Chapman, Boston, Mass.
Treasurer-General	Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Md.
Secretary-General	Charles T. McClenachan, New York, N. Y.

Massachusetts College was warranted on May 9, 1880, and chartered on June 5, 1880, according to the printed record of the first High Council meeting. The copy of the charter in the Minute Book of the High Council in Scotia shows the date of May 4, 1880. The actual charter date, however, is June 5, 1880, and the charter is made out in the name of Alfred E. Chapman (P.M. of Zetland Lodge, Boston, Massachusetts). The Charter itself, engrossed by hand in red, black, and gold characters on the first page of the Massachusetts College Minute Book, is an interesting document. It appears that the book was purchased in Boston, Massachusetts (the stationer's label being pasted in the front) and the four signatures thereon are doubtless those of the officers of the Societas Rosicruciana in Scotia (by comparison with facsimile of the West of Scotland College charter dated October 27, 1880, and reproduced in JUBILEE HANDBOOK of that College, 1930). From this it would appear that the book must have been sent to Scotland for the signatures. (See reproduction herewith.)

Frater Chapman was editor and publisher of THE LIBERAL FREEMASON, which had its beginning in 1877. In the March, 1891, number (its last) there appeared, along with the obituary notice of Frater Chapman, this significant sentence: "The present number closes the fourteenth volume, and with it THE LIBERAL FREEMASON will cease to exist."

Massachusetts College is the only one of the four original colleges that has survived (Maryland College will be referred to later), although there was a period when the record of the



Facsimile of Receipt Covering Payment of Fee for Warrant to Massachusetts College

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meetings was not entered in the Minute Book. There was a meeting on March 2, 1896, and the next entry is March 31, 1909. Three of the older members have verified this point. In one other year, namely 1929, no meeting was held. Eugene A. Holton, Chief Adept from 1909 to 1927, died on March 21 of the latter year. A regular meeting of the college was held on November 11, 1926, which was the last that he attended. The next meeting was called for April 25, 1928, when Dr. Frederick W. Hamilton, present Supreme Magus, presided and Frater Arthur D. Prince was elected Chief Adept.

On May 29, 1883, Joseph T. Dyer was admitted to the college. He died on August 14, 1932, the oldest Rosicrucian in the United States. The oldest living Rosicrucian at this writing is Frater Frederick L. Baker, VII°, who was admitted to the college on May 17, 1887, and the next oldest is Frater Joseph W. Work, IX°, Secretary-General, and Secretary of Massachusetts College, who was admitted on November 6, 1894.

The following Fratres have been Chief Adepts of Massachusetts College:

Afred F. Chapman	June 5, 1880, to March 20, 1891
John Haigh	July 11, 1891, to August 20, 1896
Eugene A. Holton	March 31, 1909, to March 21, 1927
Arthur D. Prince	April 25, 1928, to date

One member of Massachusetts College deserves special mention—Frater Sylvester C. Gould, who was admitted on February 10, 1885. He was a resident of Manchester, New Hampshire, and was engaged in publishing various Masonic journals. He was particularly learned in Rosicrucian matters and we are indebted to him for preserving many of the records of the activities of our Society not found elsewhere. In January, 1907, THE ROSICRUCIAN BROTHERHOOD, an octavo magazine, was first issued by Frater Gould. There were nine issues, Volume III, Number 1, for January, 1909, being the last. Frater Gould also published a number of pamphlets in separate form containing Rosicrucian articles and studies. In

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passing, it may be noted that it was through Frater Gould that the present Societas Rosicruciana in America, under the leadership of Dr. George Winslow Plummer, with headquarters in New York City, owes its origin.

Another very learned Frater of Massachusetts College was Dr. Seranus Bowen, IX° (J.S.M. in 1891), who gave several papers on Rosicrucian subjects in Massachusetts College, some of which were printed.

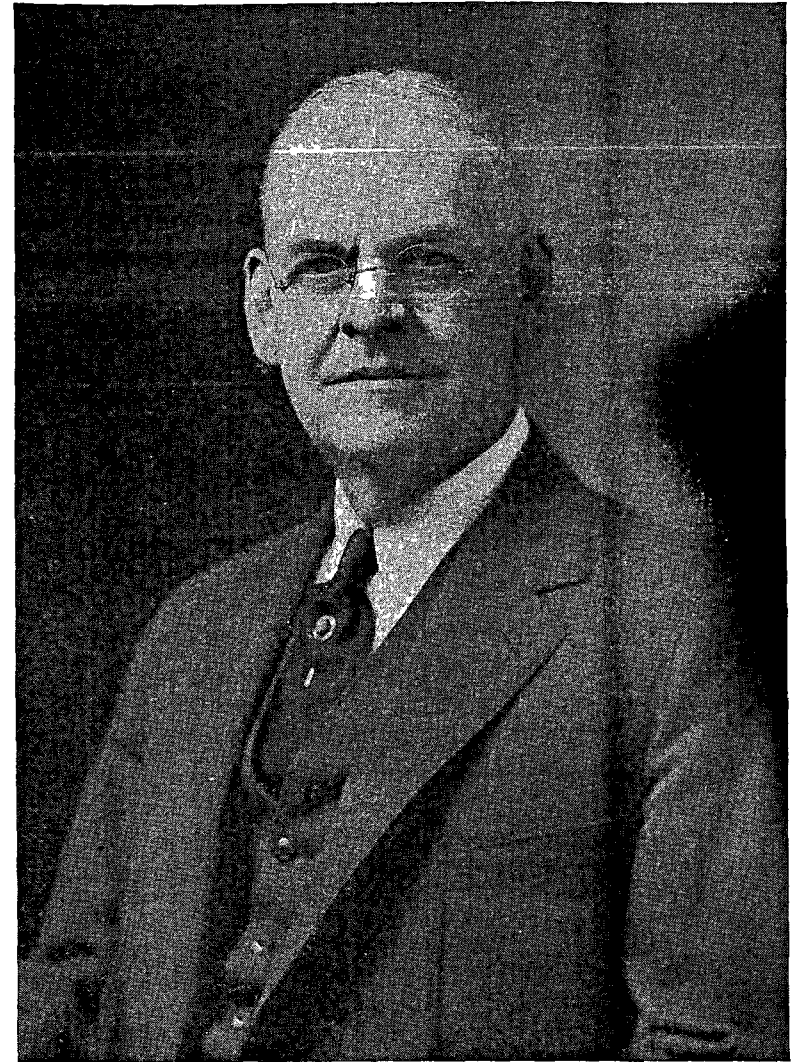
A paper entitled THE ROSICRUCIANS—THEIR ORIGIN, THEIR TEACHINGS, THEIR ANSWER TO THE RIDDLE OF THE SPHINX was read by Frater Joseph Horace Goodspeed before Massachusetts College on November 18, 1912. It was subsequently printed—208 copies.

At a meeting of the College in February, 1884, Frater John Haigh, IX°, exhibited a MS. copy of rituals of a large number of the grades in the York and Scottish Rites; also a first edition of ANDERSON'S CONSTITUTIONS of 1723.

Maryland College was chartered on May 10, 1880, and the printed records of our Society show the same date as the copy in the Minute Book of the High Council in Scotia. The charter was made out in the name of Thomas J. Shryock (for 33 years Grand Master of Masons in the State of Maryland). The original charter is not in the archives of our High Council.

All efforts, that have been made to locate the charters or any of the archives of Pennsylvania, New York and Maryland Colleges, have been fruitless.

There was published in THE KEYSTONE (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) of February 7 and 14, 1880, an address delivered by Frater Charles E. Meyer at a meeting of the Pennsylvania College held on January 30, 1880, in Freemasons' Hall, 814 Filbert St., Philadelphia. It was published in pamphlet form some time later in the same year. The title of the pamphlet was: "The Pennsylvania Freemason's Hall, Philadelphia, 1802." In a note at the end of the address the statement is made that it



R.W.FRA. ARTHUR D. PRINCE, IX°
Senior Substitute Magus, S.R.I.C.F.

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was the last meeting held in the old hall and gives a list of those present as follows:

Charles E. Meyer	John Hanold
Daniel Sutter	John Sartain
Mark Richard Muckle	August R. Hall
James S. Barber	Thomas R. Patton
John L. Young	Henry Sartain

These Fratres together with Charles W. Packer are the only Fratres known to have been members of the Pennsylvania College.

On September 21, 1880, there was opened a meeting of the High Council of the Societas Rosicruciana in Boston, Massachusetts, Most Worthy Frater Charles E. Meyer, IX°, presiding. Representatives from all four colleges were present. By virtue of their inherent powers, a constitution was adopted and the four colleges consecrated with Chief Adepts as indicated in the above charters.

On the second day of the meeting, Frater George O. Tyler (Shawenegan Lodge, No. 134, Three Rivers, P.Q., Canada), a resident of Vermont and a very prominent Mason and man of considerable means, was admitted and High Council chartered Burlington (Vermont) College. It appears that the college was never actually formed for no record of it is in our archives and nothing concerning such a project is to be found in the Masonic or secular press of the period. The charter is not in the archives of our High Council.

At this meeting, those present also "reproclaimed said creation, formation, and constitution of such Society and Order under the Sovereign title SOCIETAS ROSICRUCIANA IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, holding the Sovereign power of governing itself and regulating all the Grades of the Society of the Rosicrucians within the boundary of the United States; of determining and perpetuating the ritual and philosophy of the Society, in substantial accordance with that under which it was warranted."

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Aside from various activities noted in the minutes of Massachusetts College and the printed record of all that has to do with the original formation of the Society in the United States, there are no minutes of High Council until 1908. In 1932 when Frater Joseph W. Work, IX^o, was elected Secretary-General (having been Treasurer-General since 1908), he caused a permanent Minute Book for High Council to be made and copied into it all of the records in possession of High Council. Any information relative to High Council's activities between 1881 and 1908 is, therefore, from external sources.

A note in the minutes of Massachusetts College states that William Robert Woodman, S.M. in Anglia, The Earl of Kintore, S.M. in Scotia, William James Hughan, Pas. J.S.M. in England, Colonel Wm. J. B. MacLeod Moore, S.M. in Canada, and Prince Rhodocanakis, S.M. in Greece, were made honorary members of the High Council of the United States on September 21, 1880, in Boston, Massachusetts. Whether or not Frater Woodman and the others were notified of this honor conferred upon them is questionable for in 1887 Frater Woodman was made an Honorary 9^o in the Society and a certificate issued to that effect. It would seem that this action would be superfluous had the first action been consummated.

On September 16, 1885, the High Council of the United States met in the Hotel Brunswick, Boston, Massachusetts, and Frater Sylvester C. Gould and Dr. Seranus Bowen were duly received and elevated to the VIII Grade, Magister Templi—the ritual being performed by Frater Charles T. McClenachan, IX^o, Secretary-General.

Brother George F. Moore, later Sovereign Grand Commander of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction of the United States, was given the VIII Grade by Frater Charles T. McClenachan, IX^o, some time in 1885, in the presence of Most Worthy Frater W. J. B. MacLeod Moore, Supreme Magus in Canada, in Frater McClenachan's hotel room.



R.W.FRA. J. HUGO TATSCH, IX^o

Junior Substitute Magus, S.R.I.C.F.

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In July, 1887, nine Fratres from the Colleges in the United States made a social and business trip to Europe, as follows:

Charles E. Meyer, IX°	Supreme Magus
Charles Roome, IX°	Senior Substitute Magus
Alfred F. Chapman, IX°	Junior Substitute Magus
Thomas J. Shryock, IX°	Treasurer-General
Charles T. McClenachan, IX°	Secretary-General
John Sartain, VIII°	
Daniel Sutter, VIII°	
Charles W. Packer, VIII°	
John L. Young, VIII°	

The Societas Rosicruciana in Anglia (meeting on April 14, 1887) called a special General Convocation and a quarterly meeting of Metropolitan College at Freemason's Hall, Great Queen Street, London, on July 22, 1887, and received the eminent Rosicrucians from the United States at a jubilee convocation. They were welcomed by Most Worthy Frater Woodman, Supreme Magus in Anglia, in an eloquent address of congratulation, who observed that:

The Rosicrucian Society of the United States of America was conceived in England, born in Scotland, nurtured by York and now heartily welcomed, and its dignity and importance recognized by a General Grand Convocation of the Societies in Anglia.

The Master of the Temple, Frater Robert Roy, VIII°, then performed the ceremony of ZELATOR, assisted by Frater S. L. Macgregor Mathers, as Conductor of Novices, Frater T. W. Memon, as Chaplain, and four Fratres as Ancients. The Supreme Magus in the United States expressed his deep appreciation of the work.

The Supreme Magus in Anglia, Most Worthy Frater William R. Woodman, IX°, then conferred the Honorary 9th Grade upon Fratres Meyer, Roome, Chapman, Shryock and McClenachan and the Honorary 8th Grade upon Fratres Sartain, Sutter, Packer and Young. Certificates were granted to each Frater and the record duly made in LIBER AUREUS, "The Golden Book," on July 30, 1887. Following the convocation, the Fratres enjoyed a sumptuous banquet at Holborn Restaurant.

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A facsimile copy of Frater Sartain's certificate will be found in *THE FOUR ELEMENTS* by Frater Sartain, 2nd. ed., n. d., with a frontispiece portrait of the author, royal octavo, in paper covers, 30 pages. (A third edition was also printed.) The certificate is signed by Most Worthy Frater William Robert Woodman, Supreme Magus, and Right Worthy Frater William Wynn Westcott, Secretary-General.

In October, 1887, the Supreme Magus in the United States, Most Worthy Frater Charles E. Meyer, IX°, conferred grades *HONORIS CAUSA* upon four Fratres of the High Council in Anglia as follows: The 9th Grade on Fratres William Robert Woodman, Supreme Magus, William Wynn Westcott, Secretary-General, and James Lewis Thomas, and the 8th Grade on Frater Robert Roy. The certificates were duly forwarded and acknowledged, and announced on October 13, 1887, in Metropolitan College, London, at which quarterly meeting Frater John Sartain of Philadelphia, Honorary 8th Grade, was present.

At this meeting, Frater Westcott read an interesting paper, with comments, titled: "The Zelator Ritual of the Societas Rosicruciana of the United States of America." The full text of this lecture may be found in the *Transactions of Metropolitan College for 1887*. The following pertinent items are contained therein:

Our American fratres, ever persevering and energetic, had no sooner succeeded in placing the Order firmly in its new home, than they set to work making researches into the printed books of the forgotten past and the curious collection of MSS., chiefly German, concerning the Rosicrucians which may yet be found in a survey of the great libraries and the private collections of mystics. As a result of these labours their High Council issued in 1883 a splendidly executed volume of supplementary rituals and lectures based upon all the Rosicrucian lore still extant.*****

It should not be forgotten that although this present exoteric Society was developed by our late M.W. Frater Little in 1866, assisted by our S.M. Dr. Woodman, and by others, yet it was a rejuvenescence of an earlier still extant exoteric one, overlying an esoteric and veiled hierarchy, a reliable notice of whose existence so late as 1836 is af-



R.W.FRA. HARRY G. POLLARD, IX°
Treasurer-General in Civitatibus Foederatis

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forded by the ANACALYPSIS of Godfrey Higgins, see volume I, page 723 and volume II, pages 243 and 248. He states that, although working on similar lines, he did not join the "Rosicrucians" then at work because he was at the time of writing unwilling to fetter himself in publishing his opinions.

The fratres may rest assured that the present Zelator ceremony is essentially of ancient date, although it be that this English High Council is not at liberty to make its complete genealogy public.

At the conclusion of the lecture we find the following note:

The Historical Lecture of our fratres in the United States was then read, *in extenso*, but can not be here reproduced. MS. copies may be obtained from the Secretary-General on application at 3s. each.

As mentioned above, the High Council minutes in the present Minute Book begin in 1908. There is, however, ample evidence from other sources that High Council met at irregular intervals, apparently when the occasion required it. The Society in England, Scotland, Canada, and the United States was contemporary with the formation and activities of the Red Cross of Constantine and most of the Officers and members of one were closely connected in the other. In fact one is often confronted with Red Cross of Constantine activities in Rosicrucian archives and vice versa—the meetings frequently being on the same day or days. Hence, we have found evidence from this source that confirms our opinion concerning meetings of the Society.

Following the death of the Supreme Magus, Charles E. Meyer, High Council met in Boston, Massachusetts, on October 7, 1908, with all of the living members present, Frater Thomas J. Shryock presiding. The other were Fratres Rowell, Richardson and Work. An election of officers resulted in the following:

Supreme Magus	Thomas J. Shryock, Baltimore, Md.
Senior Substitute Magus	Eugene A. Holton, Boston, Mass.
Junior Substitute Magus	Albert L. Richardson, Boston, Mass.
Treasurer-General	Joseph W. Work, Newton, Mass.
Secretary-General	Benjamin W. Rowell, Lynn, Mass.

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Some time in 1911 three Masonic brethren in Minnesota were admitted to the college in Maryland. This is certain because the following dispensation was granted, preceding the first meeting held in Minnesota on November 25, 1911:

Office of the Supreme Magus, High Council Societas Rosicrucianae [sic] Thomas J. Shryock, 9th°, Grand Magus.

By the power in me vested, I hereby grant this my Dispensation to Fratres Trevanion Wilham Hugo, George Wm. Buck and William Albert McGonagle, all of the Baltimore College, to open and hold a College of the Societas Rosicrucianae [sic], 4th Grade, for the State of Minnesota, at Duluth, and such further territory as the High Council may hereafter designate, and I do hereby appoint Frater Trevanion William Hugo to have the power and right to confer the orders up to and including the 4th Grade upon such brethren as they may select as being fit and worthy to receive same.

This Dispensation to continue until such time as the High Council may meet in session.

[Signed] Thomas J. Shryock, IX°
Supreme Magus.

The dispensation was not dated. The first meeting was held in Duluth on the date mentioned above when nine names were balloted upon by the three Fratres mentioned in the dispensation and declared elected. How many more meetings of the college were held is not certain but the minutes and records of the college in the archives of High Council show six more, as follows:

May 23, 1912—Duluth—3 present—Address of 6 pages by T. W. Hugo

Dec. 5, 1912—Duluth—3 present—Rituals copied—(3 copies)

Dec. 6, 1913—Duluth—8 present—Address of 9 pages by T. W. Hugo

Sept. 19, 1915—St. Paul—6 present and 2 guests—Addresses, Dr. Chamberlain, 4 pages; and T. W. Hugo, 7 pages

July 25, 1918—St. Paul—3 present—Celebrant presided

Sept. 30, 1919—St. Paul—2 present—Celebrant presided



R.W.FRA. JOSEPH W. WORK, IX°
Secretary-General in Civitatibus Foederatis

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High Council met in Boston, Massachusetts, on June 14, 1912. All five of the members were present. Frater T. W. Hugo was elevated by conferring on him the VIII and IX Grades and then elected to membership in High Council. Minnesota College was chartered with Frater Hugo as the first Chief Adept. The original Charter is in the archives of High Council and the date agrees with the minutes of High Council. A note in the minutes states that on August 8, 1912, the charter for "Northwestern College," as it was known, was forwarded to Frater Thomas J. Shryock for his signature. It appears that this was accomplished as the original charter bears all the signatures of the Magi and Secretary-General.

The full membership of Minnesota College with the fees paid at the time of admission are as follows:

*Trevanion William Hugo, IX°	Charter	\$ 75
*George William Buck, VII°	Charter	\$ 75
*William Albert McGonagle, VII°	Charter	\$ 75
*Jehiel Weston Chamberlin	Nov. 25, 1911	\$100
Renwick Barwise Knox	Nov. 25, 1911	\$100
*William Hayes Laird	Nov. 25, 1911	\$100
†John Fishel	Nov. 25, 1911	\$100
Charles Wesley More	Nov. 25, 1911	\$100
*Robert Edward Denfeld	Nov. 25, 1911	\$100
*William Chester White	Nov. 25, 1911	\$100
†Nathaniel Pitt Langford	Sept. 18, 1915	\$100

According to the minutes of Minnesota College, in 1913 six of the members became Associate Members of Metropolitan College, London, principally to receive the Transactions of that College. The Transactions of that College, however, do not record such membership. These Fratres were Hugo, Buck, McGonagle, Laird, Fishel, and More.

In a report on the condition of the College made out on July 9, 1918, the names of eight brethren who had been elected but not paid their fees are given. One was for 1911, five for 1912, and two for 1915. As their names do not appear elsewhere in the records, it is apparent that they never became members.

*Deceased. †Affiliated with New Jersey College.

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On September 18, 1915, the officers were:

Chief Adept	T. W. Hugo
Celebrant	J. W. Chamberlin
Exponent	R. E. Denfeld
Secretary-Treasurer	John Fishel

The first entry in the Treasurer's book of the college is November 27, 1911, and the last October 14, 1914, at which time there was \$452.54 in the account. The last entry in the Minute Book, however, is September 30, 1919, when the college was opened with Frater Chamberlin presiding and the only other Frater present being John Fishel, Secretary-Treasurer. Attached to the minutes is a letter from Chief Adept Hugo explaining the reasons for the meeting and giving consent of the other members (who were absent) to what was to take place. The minutes are self-explanatory so they are quoted:

By direction of the Chief Adept, Frater T. W. Hugo, a meeting of Northwest College, Societas Rosicruciana, was held at St. Paul, Minn. this 30th day of September, A.D. 1919 at 12:30 P.M. at which Frater J. W. Chamberlin and John Fishel were present and Fratres T. W. Hugo, W. A. McGonagle, G. W. Buck, R. B. Knox, C. W. More, R. E. Denfeld and W. E. Richardson were *constructively* present. (Italics mine.)

Abraham Louis Betz, Gustave Schultz, Clark Francis Buck, Jr., and Jens Christian Nielsen, all of New Orleans, Louisiana, were recommended by Frater T. W. Hugo and John Fishel. They were elected and granted demits and then the college recommended to High Council an application for a new college to be held in Louisiana. No one seems to have any further knowledge of what happened to the application nor does there appear in High Council minutes any reference to this matter, whatsoever. Suffice it to say that no college was chartered in Louisiana.

We now return to the meetings of High Council, the next being a special conclave held at Boston, Massachusetts, on September 30, 1912. Five of the six members of High Council

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were present (Frater Hugo being absent). A vote to adopt the rituals of the High Councils in Anglia and in Scotia was taken with the result that such a measure became official. It was also voted in the affirmative that we enter into the concordat with these two High Councils, as they had entered into such an agreement on March 23, 1911. R.W. Frater T. W. Hugo was elected Primus Ancient and Fratres Everett C. Benton, Henry N. Fisher and J. Albert Blake were elevated to the VIII Grade.

The next meeting of High Council was a special convocation held on October 26, 1916, in Boston, Massachusetts. The death of R.W. Frater Albert L. Richardson, IX°, Junior Substitute Magus, was reported and Frater T. W. Hugo was elected to fill the vacancy (he was the only absentee).

In the DULUTH MASONIC CALENDAR some time early in 1918 there appeared an announcement of a High Council, Societas Rosicruciana, meeting and a list of officers. Among those listed are three members of New York College, to wit:

George H. Fish, VIII°	Brooklyn, N. Y. (died May 31, 1905)
James F. Collins, VIII°	Brooklyn, N. Y. (died April 2, 1896)
Samuel Jones, VIII°	New York, N. Y. (died Aug. 11, 1892)

I have also come upon the name of Frater James H. Codding of New York as having been a member of New York College.

The meeting was apparently called for the 16th of September, 1918, but the record in the Minute Book of High Council shows that it was held on the 17th. We find the entry headed "ANNUAL MEETING, Boston, Massachusetts."

On motion and by unanimous vote Fratres Bush, Hamilton, Blake, Pollard, Chamberlin, McGonagle, Buck and Fishel were advanced to the VIII Grade. Election of Officers resulted in the following selections:

Eugene A. Holton, IX°, Boston, Mass.	Supreme Magus
Trevanion W. Hugo, IX°, Duluth, Minn.	Senior Sub. Magus
J. Albert Blake, IX°, Boston, Mass.	Junior Sub. Magus
Joseph W. Work, IX°, Newton, Mass.	Treasurer-General

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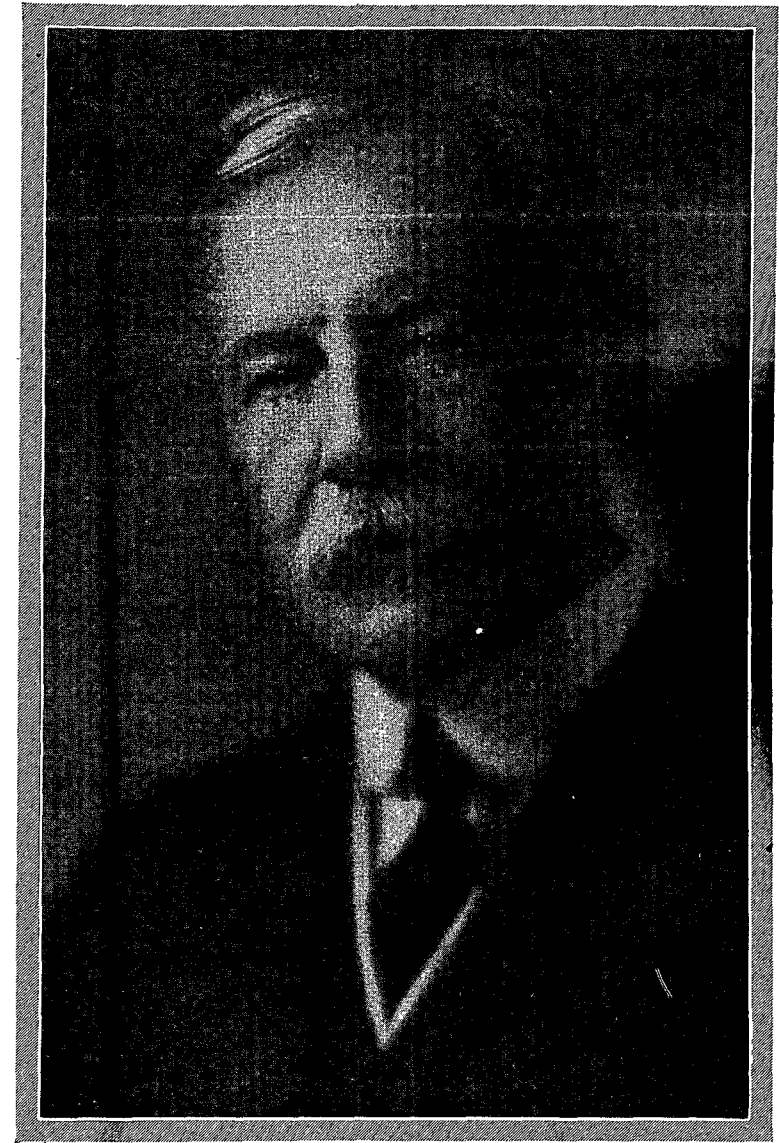
Benjamin W. Rowell, IX°, Boston, Mass.	Secretary-General
Arthur G. Pollard, VIII°, Lowell, Mass.	Primus Ancient
Everett C. Benton, VIII°, Belmont, Mass.	Secundus Ancient
Jehiel W. Chamberlin, VIII°, St. Paul, Minn.	Tertius Ancient
William H. L. Odell, VII°, Dorchester, Mass.	Quartus Ancient
William A. McGonagle, VIII°, Duluth, Minn.	Quintus Ancient
Frederick W. Hamilton, VIII°, Cambridge, Mass.	Sextus Ancient
Sam P. Cochran, VIII, Dallas, Texas	Septimus Ancient
R. Perry Bush, VIII°, Chelsea, Mass.	Precentor
James S. Blake, VIII°, Allston, Mass.	Conductor of Novices
John Fishel, VIII°, St. Paul, Minn.	Torch Bearer
Winthrop C. Durfee, VII°, Jamaica Plains, Mass.	Guardian of the Caverns
Joseph H. Goodspeed, VII°, Boston, Mass.	Medallist
Charles C. Homer, Jr, IX°, Baltimore, Md.	Herald

This appears to be the first time that all of the offices of High Council in the United States were filled.

At this meeting a charter was granted to Texas College with Sam P. Cochran, VIII°, as first Chief Adept. The charter was apparently made out with the date of April 4, 1918, but was lost in transit and never received by Frater Cochran. The College was set to work on February 2, 1919.

The next meeting of High Council was held on October 17, 1918, when Frater Charles C. Homer, IX° of Baltimore, Maryland, was authorized to carry on Maryland College in view of the fact that the charter could not be located after the death of Frater Thomas J. Shryock on February 3, 1918. The authorization was to continue in effect until revoked or the original charter found. Frater Homer died on March 9, 1923. Nothing further is known concerning the college.

On September 20, 1921, seven members of High Council met in Boston, Massachusetts. The meeting was presided over by Frater Frederick W. Hamilton. Nothing is mentioned concerning who the Supreme Magus was, but apparently it was M.W. Frater Eugene A. Holton who succeeded to the office upon the death of M.W. Frater Thomas J. Shryock. As



R.W.FRA. SAM. P. COCHRAN, IX°

Chief Adept in Texas

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Frater Holton was not present at the meeting and the election of officers which took place does not include a Supreme Magus, this assumption is probably the correct one. The result of the election was as follows :

Frederick W. Hamilton	Senior Substitute Magus
J. Albert Blake	Junior Substitute Magus
Joseph W. Work	Treasurer-General
Benjamin W. Rowell	Secretary-General
Arthur G. Pollard	Primus Ancient
Everett C. Benton	Secundus Ancient
William A. McGonagle	Tertius Ancient
Sam P. Cochran	Quartus Ancient
R. Perry Bush	Quintus Ancient
James S. Blake	Sextus Ancient
John Fishel	Septimus Ancient
Charles C. Homer, Jr.	Precentor
Winthrop C. Durfee	Conductor of Novices
James H. Goodspeed	Torch Bearer

Fratres W. Wynn Westcott and Samuel W. Rogers of the High Council in Anglia were made honorary members of the United States High Council.

On March 21, 1927, Most Worthy Frater Eugene A. Holton, Supreme Magus, died and Frater Frederick W. Hamilton succeeded him as Supreme Magus.

On May 9, 1931, Most Worthy Frater Hamilton gave a dispensation to form a college, to be known as New Jersey College, to Brother Harold V. B. Voorhis, Mystic Brotherhood Lodge, No. 21, Red Bank, New Jersey. The organization meeting was held in Masonic Temple, New York City, on May 22, 1931 (in Grand Lodge Library) and the second organization meeting in the apartments of Brother E. A. King of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in Washington, District of Columbia. At this meeting a petition was addressed to Supreme Magus naming Frater Robert I. Clegg, VII°, who had received the Grades in Metropolitan College, London, England, to be Chief Adept, IX°. (The ZELATOR Grade was received in person by Frater Clegg on January 10, 1924). Henry R. Evans, Wash-

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ington, D. C., was named as Celebrant; J. Hugo Tatsch, New York City, as Suffragan; Hiram E. Deats, Flemington, New Jersey, as Treasurer; and Harold V. B. Voorhis, Red Bank, New Jersey, as Secretary. The petition was signed by thirty-seven founders.

On October 29, 1931, a set of ordinances was approved for New Jersey College by Supreme Magus.

On November 17, 1931, Frater Voorhis addressed the Fratres of Massachusetts College on the subject "The New Triangle Masonic Derivation Theory."

On December 3, 1931, Right Worthy Frater Robert I. Clegg, IX°, passed away. The Secretary prepared and issued, in the name of New Jersey College, a memorial brochure. Dr. Henry R. Evans, VII°, of Washington, D. C., Celebrant, assumed the position of acting Chief Adept.

On February 5, 1932, Supreme Magus appointed Frater Harold V. B. Voorhis, Chief Adept of New Jersey College, and elevated him to the IX Grade and Frater Frederick T. Hurley, VII°, was appointed acting Secretary of the college.

On May 10, 1932, High Council met in Washington, D. C., with the Supreme Magus, Most Worthy Frater Frederick W. Hamilton, IX°, presiding. The appointment of Right Worthy Frater Voorhis as Chief Adept, IX°, of New Jersey College was confirmed. Fratres J. Hugo Tatsch and Harry G. Pollard were elevated to the IX Grade. Election of officers was held with the following results:

Frederick W. Hamilton, IX°, Mass. College	Supreme Magus
Arthur D. Prince, IX°, Mass. College	Senior Substitute Magus
J. Hugo Tatsch, IX°, N. J. College	Junior Substitute Magus
Harry G. Pollard, IX°, Mass. College	Treasurer-General
Joseph W. Work, IX°, Mass. College	Secretary-General

A charter was issued for New Jersey College with Right Worthy Frater Harold V. B. Voorhis, IX°, as first Chief Adept.

It was moved and carried to issue a duplicate charter for Texas College as the original had been lost in the mails.



R.W.FRA. H. V. B. VOORHIS, IX°

Chief Adept in New Jersey

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New Jersey College held its first annual convocation in the newly dedicated George Washington Masonic National Memorial building at Alexandria, Virginia, on May 13, 1932. The charter was presented to the new college by Right Worthy Frater J. Hugo Tatsch, IX°, acting for High Council, and Frater Voorhis was given his certificate for the IX Grade. Following the consecration of the college, the election of officers was held and, after the regular business was transacted, the college was closed.

Following this meeting Fratres J. Ray. Shute, II, J. Edward Allen, and Kennon W. Parham, all of North Carolina, approached the Chief Adept with the idea of forming a college in the State of North Carolina. During the next few months correspondence was entered into concerning such a project, which culminated on August 27, 1932, when these three Fratres petitioned Supreme Magus for a dispensation to open a college to be known as North Carolina College. On August 29, 1932, this petition was approved by Right Worthy Frater Harold V. B. Voorhis, IX°, Chief Adept of the New Jersey College, for New Jersey College, and the Supreme Magus granted the dispensation.

On September 13, 1932, High Council met in Boston, Massachusetts, in special convocation, five members being present (Hamilton, Prince, Tatsch, Work and Pollard), and granted a charter for North Carolina College, naming J. Ray. Shute, II, (Past Master of Monroe Lodge, No. 244, and the North Carolina Lodge of Research, No. 666) as Chief Adept. The charter is dated September 9, 1932.

Formal and actual consecration of the college took place on January 14, 1933, in Hotel Carolina, Raleigh, North Carolina. The election of officers and other business matters were carried out and the newly appointed Chief Adept, Right Worthy Frater Shute, delivered an address titled: "The Rosicrucian Society." Following the dinner, a paper entitled, "Notes on Ancient Religion," was read by Frater H. McNeill Poteat.

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At High Council meeting of September 13, 1932, Supreme Magus made the following Grade elevations:

J. Ray. Shute, II, IX°	North Carolina College
Samuel A. Vanner, VIII°	Massachusetts College
John L. Stevens, VIII°	Texas College
Hiram E. Deats, VIII°	New Jersey College
Frederick T. Hurley, VIII°	New Jersey College
John Edward Allen, VIII°	North Carolina College
Kennon W. Parham, VIII°	North Carolina College

On November 10, 1932, a special convocation of High Council was held in Boston, Massachusetts, with Fratres Hamilton, Prince, Tatsch, Work and Pollard present. At this meeting the fee for the first two grades was reduced to \$10.00, the yearly High Council fee for each college was made \$1.00 per member and \$2.00 for newly made members during the year. Certain other changes in the constitution of High Council were made and it was ordered printed.

Only July 17, 1933, a special convocation of High Council was again held in Boston, Massachusetts. In the absence of the Supreme Magus, Rt. Worthy Frater Arthur D. Prince, IX°, Senior Substitute Magus, presided. (Present: Prince, Tatsch, Work, Shute, Brown.)

Dispensations were granted for two new Colleges: 1. Virginia College with Dr. William Moseley Brown, VII°, acting Chief Adept. 2. United Forces College with Major J. Hugo Tatsch, IX°, acting Chief Adept. The matter of the change of the name of the Society was taken into consideration and referred to Supreme Magus.

On December 27, 1933, the Annual Convocation of High Council was held in Boston, Massachusetts. (Present: Hamilton, Tatsch, Work, Pollard, Voorhis and Chipman). A few minor changes in the Constitution were adopted; a definite regulation regarding Jewels for the Society and change of name was adopted. The printing of a ZELATOR Ritual was left in the hands of the Magi.



R.W.FRA. J. RAY. SHUTE, IX°
Chief Adept in North Carolina

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Supreme Magus appointed the following Committee on History:

Harold V. B. Voorhis, IX°, Chairman
J. Edward Allen, VIII°
William Moseley Brown, VII°

Supreme Magus made the following EIGHTH GRADE elevations:

Henry R. Evans	Ray V. Denslow
Edgar W. Timberlake	Curtis Chipman
Herbert W. Dean	D. Rufus Cheney

Election of additional members to High Council was held for the period ending at the Annual Convocation in 1935, at which time the next Annual Election is in order for the "Representative Council" (See Section 4—Constitution of High Council).

On January 26, 1934, the Supreme Magus elevated Fratres Hubert M. Poteat and Frank C. Abernethy to the VIII Grade.

The Charter of Virginia College is dated April 20, 1934, and is made out in the name of Dr. William Moseley Brown (Grand Master of Masons of Virginia) who was appointed Chief Adept, IX°, by the Supreme Magus.

On May 7, 1934, the Supreme Magus authorized Rt. Worthy Fratres Tatsch, Voorhis and Shute to conduct the consecration of Virginia College with Dr. William Moseley Brown as Chief Adept. This authorization was carried out on June 23, 1934, in the John Marshall Hotel at Richmond, Virginia, after the conferring of the Eighth Grade on Fratres William Moseley Brown, C. Vernon Eddy and E. Fenno Heath and the Ninth Grade on Frater William Moseley Brown. The election of officers and other business matters were carried out and the newly made Chief Adept Rt. Worthy Frater Brown delivered an eloquent address on Rosicrucianism. Dinner was served at the hotel.

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High Council at this time consists of:

ACTIVE REPRESENTATIVES

Supreme Magus	Frederick W. Hamilton, IX°
Senior Sub. Magus	Arthur D. Prince, IX°
Junior Sub. Magus	J. Hugo Tatsch, IX°
Treasurer-General	Harry G. Pollard, IX°
Secretary-General	Joseph W. Work, IX°
Primus Ancient	Sam P. Cochran, IX°
Secundus Ancient	Edgar W. Timberlake, VIII°
Tertius Ancient	Herbert W. Dean, VIII°
Quartius Ancient	Ray V. Denslow, VIII°
Quintus Ancient	Curtis Chipman, VIII°
Sextus Ancient	D. Rufus Cheney, VIII°
Septus Ancient	Albert A. Schaefer, VIII°

ASSOCIATE REPRESENTATIVES

Chief Adept, Mass. College	Arthur D. Prince, IX°
Chief Adept, Texas College	Sam P. Cochran, IX°
Chief Adept, N. J. College	Harold V. B. Voorhis, IX°
Chief Adept, N. C. College	J. Raymond Shute, II, IX°
Chief Adept, Va. College	William M. Brown, IX°
Celebrant, Mass. College	Curtis Chipman, VIII°
Celebrant, N. J. College	Godfrey Pittis, VII°
Celebrant, N. C. College	J. Edward Allen, VIII°
Celebrant, Va. College	Clarence J. West, VII°

OTHER MEMBERS OF THIRD ORDER

(Having No Vote in H. C.)

Samuel A. Vanner, VIII°	Mass. College
John Fishel, VIII°	N. J. College
Donald J. Sargent, VIII°	N. J. College
Hiram E. Deats, VIII°	N. J. College
Frederick T. Hurley, VIII°	N. J. College
Kennon W. Parham, VIII°	N. C. College
Frank C. Abernethy, VIII°	N. C. College
Hubert McN. Poteat, VIII°	N. C. College
E. Fenno Heath, VIII°	Va. College
C. Vernon Eddy, VIII°	Va. College

Chapter VIII

FRATRES WHO HAVE ATTAINED THE VIII AND IX GRADES

1. CHARLES E. MEYER

Born—Philadelphia, Pa., —————1839.

Died—Philadelphia, Pa., January 15, 1908.

Picture—Reproduced herewith.

Master Mason—Melita Lodge, No. 295, Phil., Pa., June 3, 1860.

2. ALBERT G. GOODALL

Born—Montgomery, Ala., October 31, 1826.

Died—New York, N. Y., February 19, 1887.

Picture—Proc. A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1887.

Master Mason—Montgomery Lodge, No. 19, Phil., Pa., September 21, 1854.

Resigned November 7, 1872.

Aff. Holland Lodge, No. 8, New York, N. Y., March 11, 1873.

3. ALFRED F. CHAPMAN

Born—Fort Lawrence, Nova Scotia, September 7, 1829.

Died—Boston, Mass., March 20, 1891.

Picture—Proc. General Grand Chapter, R.A.M., 1886.

Master Mason—St. Paul's Lodge, Boston, Mass., July 12, 1859.

Aff. Massachusetts Lodge, Boston, Mass., April 16, 1860.

Aff. Zetland Lodge, Boston, Mass. Charter Wor. Master.

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4. THOMAS J. SHRYOCK

Born—Baltimore, Md., February 27, 1851.

Died—Baltimore, Md., February 3, 1918.

Picture—Trans. A.S.S.R. (S.J.) 1919.

Master Mason—Waverly Lodge, No. 152, Baltimore, Md.,
August 20, 1874.

5. CHARLES T. McCLENACHAN

Born—Washington, D. C., April 13, 1829.

Died—New York, N. Y., December 10, 1896.

Picture—Proc. A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1897.

Master Mason—Munn Lodge, No. 190, New York, N. Y.,
March 17, 1854.

Demitted February 2, 1855.

Aff. Empire City Lodge, No. 206, New York, N. Y.,
February 15, 1855.

Demitted June 1, 1857.

Aff. Howard Lodge, No. 35, New York, N. Y., De-
cember 23, 1856.

Stricken from roll on October 11, 1867.

Re-Aff. March 22, 1872.

Dropped at own request on December 11, 1885.

Aff. Chancellor Walworth Lodge, No. 271, New
York, N. Y., Dec. 23, 1885.

6. GEORGE O. TYLER

Born—Lowell, Mass., September 19, 1837.

Died—Somerville, Mass., October 11, 1911.

Picture—Proc. A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1912.

Master Mason—Shawenegan Lodge, No. 134, Three
Rivers, P.Q., Canada, March 12, 1862.

7. BENJAMIN WINSLOW ROWELL

Born—Chichester, N. H., August 18, 1845.

Died—Lynn, Mass., August 22, 1927.

Picture—Proc. A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1928.

Master Mason—St. Paul's Lodge, South Boston, Mass.,
April 7, 1877.



R.W.FRA. WM. M. BROWN

Chief Adept in Virginia

FRATRES WHO HAVE ATTAINED THE VIII AND IX GRADES

8. CHARLES ROOME

Born—New York City, N. Y., August 4, 1812.

Died—New York City, N. Y., June 28, 1890.

Picture—Proc. A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1890.

Master Mason—Kane Lodge, No. 454. New York, N. Y.,
January 2, 1866.

9 JOHN HAIGH

Born—Dukefield, Cheshire, England, December 31, 1832.

Died—Somerville, Mass., August 20, 1896.

Picture—Proc. Grand Council, R. & S.M. Mass., 1884

Master Mason—Grecian Lodge, Lawrence, Mass., March
14, 1860.

Demitted September 29, 1871.

Charter Member Phoenician Lodge, Lawrence, Mass.,
November 5, 1870.

10. ALBERT C. SMITH

Born—Boston, Mass., March 14, 1845.

Died—Boston, Mass., August 24, 1921.

Picture—Proc. A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1921.

Master Mason—Joseph Warren Lodge, Boston, Mass.,
March 24, 1868.

11. CALEB SAUNDERS

Born—Andover, Mass., September 4, 1838.

Died—Lawrence, Mass., December 19, 1917.

Picture—In office of Grand Commandery of Mass. & R.
I., Boston, Mass.

Master Mason—Tuscon Lodge, Lawrence, Mass., Decem-
ber 10, 1863.

Demitted September 25, 1871.

Charter Member Phoenician Lodge, Lawrence, Mass.,
November 5, 1870.

12. WILLIAM T. R. MARVIN

Born—Boston, Mass., December 30, 1832.

Died—Brookline, Mass., February 24, 1913.

CHAPTER VIII

Picture—History of Columbian Lodge, 1795-1895. (Mass.)
Master Mason—Columbia Lodge, Boston, Mass., June 3, 1858.

13. SERANUS BOWEN

Born—Abington, Mass., February 14, 1840.
Died—Boston, Mass., April 7, 1899.
Picture—Proc. Grand Council R. & S.M. of Mass., 1894.
Master Mason—St. John's Lodge, Boston, Mass., September 4, 1865.
Demitted October 6, 1873.
Aff. St. Alban's Lodge, Foxboro, Mass., June 9, 1873.
Demitted January 6, 1879.
Aff. Washington Lodge, Roxbury, Mass., June 11, 1885.

14. EUGENE A. HOLTON

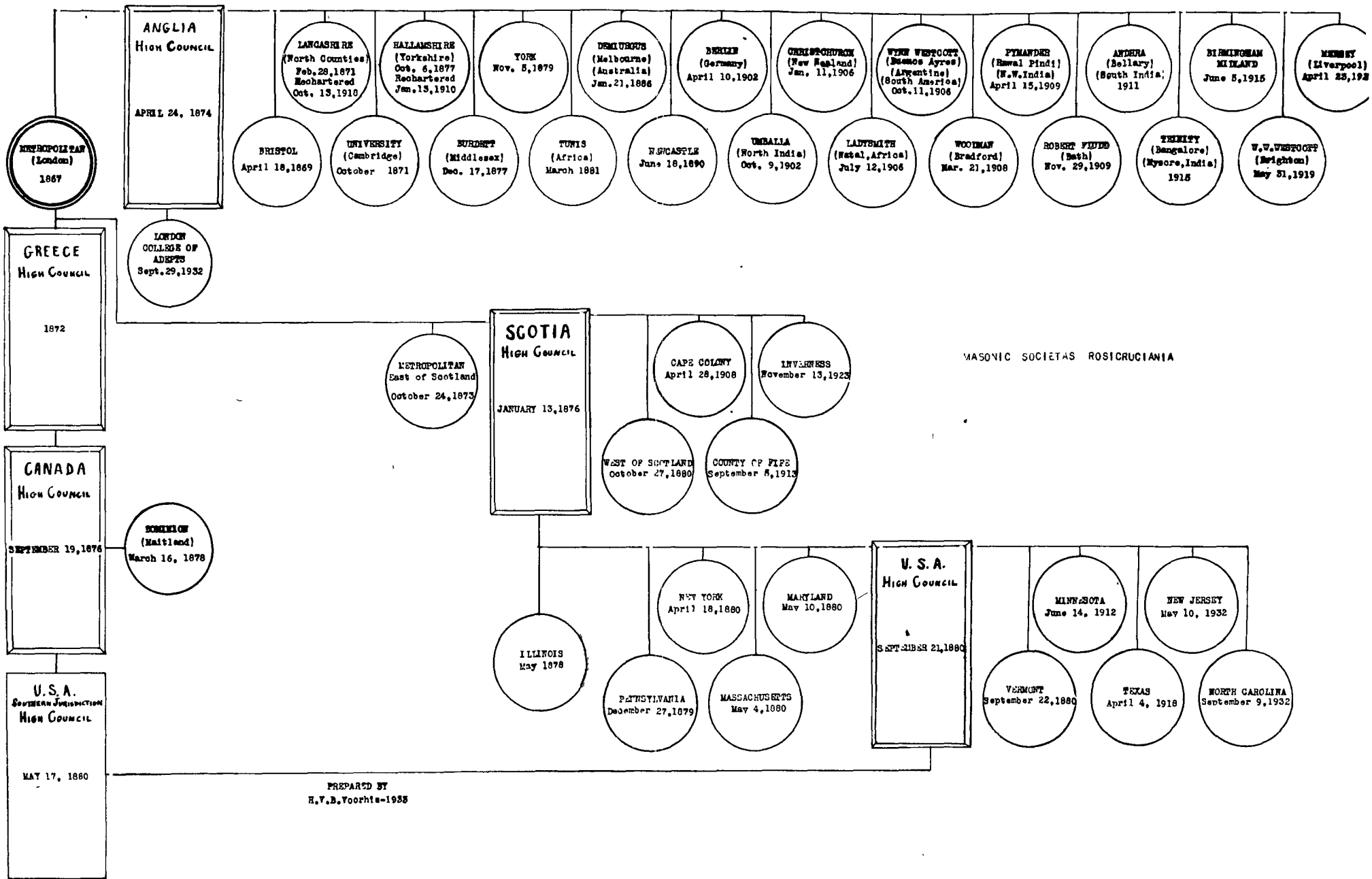
Born—Nashua, N. H., January 13, 1847.
Died—Boston, Mass., March 21, 1927.
Picture—A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1927.
Master Mason—Joseph Warren Lodge, Boston, Mass., October 22, 1872.

15. ALBERT LEWIS RICHARDSON

Born—Boston, Mass., November 20, 1846.
Died—Boston, Mass., March 17, 1914.
Picture—Proc. A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1914.
Master Mason—Mt. Lebanon Lodge, Boston, Mass., June 12, 1871.

16. JOSEPH WILLIAM WORK

Born—Newburyport, Mass., May 20, 1852.
Died—
Picture—Reproduced herewith.
Master Mason—St. John's Lodge, Newburyport, Mass., April 4, 1878.
Demitted December 3, 1885.
Aff. Columbian Lodge, Boston, Mass., January 7, 1886.



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17. TREVANION WILLIAM HUGO

Born—Bodinnoc, Cornwall, England, July 24, 1848.

Died—Duluth, Minn., February 27, 1923.

Picture—Trans. A.A.S.R. (S.J.) 1923.

Master Mason—Minden Lodge, No. 253, Kingston, Ont.,
Canada, April 4, 1872.

Demitted October 1, 1888.

Aff. Palestine Lodge, No. 79, Duluth, Minn., De-
cember 3, 1888.

18. CHARLES CHRISTOPHER HOMER, JR.

Born—Baltimore, Md., October 15, 1870.

Died—Baltimore, Md., March 9, 1923.

Picture—Trans. A.A.S.R. (S.J.) 1923.

Master Mason—Germania Lodge, No. 160, Baltimore,
Md., June 1, 1896.

19. SAMUEL POYNTZ COCHRAN

Born—Lexington, Kentucky, September 11, 1855.

Died—

Picture—Reproduced herewith.

Master Mason—Golden Rule Lodge, No. 345, Covington,
Ky., August 2, 1880.

Demitted April 4, 1898.

Aff. Dallas Lodge, No. 760, Dallas, Texas, April 4,
1898.

20. FREDERICK WILLIAM HAMILTON

Born—Portland, Maine, March 30, 1860.

Died—

Picture—Reproduced herewith.

Master Mason—Atlantic Lodge, No. 81, Portland, Me.,
November 29, 1881.

Demitted April 20, 1892.

Aff. Union Lodge, No. 10, Pawtucket, R. I., June
8, 1892.

CHAPTER VIII

- Demitted November 7, 1900.
Aff. Washington Lodge, Somerville, Mass., Jan. 10,
1901.
Charter Member Somerville Lodge, Somerville, Mass.,
September 11, 1913.
21. JOHN ALBERT BLAKE
Born—Danvers, Mass., April 15, 1843.
Died—Malden, Mass., November 27, 1926.
Picture—Proc. A.A.S.R. (N.J.) 1927.
Master Mason—Amity Lodge, Danvers, Mass., July 13,
1866.
22. ARTHUR DOW PRINCE
Born—Lowell, Mass., July 5, 1867.
Died—
Picture—Reproduced herewith.
Master Mason—William North Lodge, Lowell, Mass.,
April 15, 1891.
Aff. Kilwinning Lodge, Lowell, Mass., May 29, 1918.
Charter Member William Sewall Gardner Lodge,
Lowell, Mass., April 3, 1929.
23. ROBERT INGRAHAM CLEGG
Born—Accrington, Lancashire, England, May 13, 1866.
Died—Cleveland, Ohio, December 3, 1931.
Picture—THE BUILDER—February, 1928.
Master Mason—Tyrian Lodge, No. 370, Cleveland, Ohio,
January 24, 1906.
24. HAROLD VAN BUREN VOORHIS
Born—Red Bank, N. J., January 3, 1894.
Died—
Picture—Reproduced herewith.
Master Mason—Mystic Brotherhood Lodge, No. 21, Red
Bank, N. J., June 11, 1920.

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25. JACOB HUGO TATSCH
Born—Milwaukee, Wis., January 29, 1888.
Died—
Picture—Reproduced herewith.
Master Mason—Oriental Lodge, No. 74, Spokane, Wash.,
June 28, 1909.
26. HARRY G. POLLARD
Born—Lowell, Mass., February 19, 1875.
Died—
Picture—Reproduced herewith.
Master Mason—Ancient York Lodge, Lowell, Mass., June
11, 1896.
Charter Member William Seawall Gardner Lodge,
Lowell, Mass., March 31, 1929.
27. JOHN RAYMOND SHUTE, II
Born—Monroe, North Carolina, January 14, 1904.
Died—
Picture—Reproduced herewith.
Master Mason—Monroe Lodge, No. 244, Monroe, N. C.,
April 29, 1926.
Charter Wor. Master North Carolina Lodge of Re-
search, No. 666, Monroe, N. C., Nov. 7, 1930.
28. WILLIAM MOSELEY BROWN
Born—Lynchburg, Va., February 27, 1894.
Died—
Picture—Reproduced herewith.
Master Mason—Mountain City Lodge, No. 67, Lexington,
Va., January 2, 1923.

CHAPTER VIII

FRATRES WHO HAVE ATTAINED THE VIII GRADE

- 1—*Sylvester C. Gould
- 2—*George F. Moore
- 3—*John Sartain
- 4—*Daniel Sutter
- 5—*Charles W. Packer
- 6—*John Llewellyn Young
- 7—*Everett C. Benton
- 8—*Henry N. Fisher
- 9—*George H. Fish
- 10—*James F. Collins
- 11—*Samuel Jones
- 12—*R. Perry Bush
- 13—*James S. Blake
- 14—*Arthur G. Pollard
- 15—*William A. McGonagle
- 16—*Jehiel W. Chamberlin
- 17—*George W. Buck
- 18— John Fishel
- 19— Samuel A. Vanner
- 20—*John L. Stevens
- 21— Hiram E. Deats
- 22— Frederick T. Hurley
- 23— John Edward Allen
- 24— Kennon W. Parham
- 25— Henry R. Evans
- 26— Edgar W. Timberlake
- 27— Herbert W. Dean
- 28— Ray V. Denslow
- 29— Curtis Chipman
- 30— D. Rufus Cheney
- 31— Hubert M. Poteat
- 32— Frank C. Abernethy
- 33— C. Vernon Eddy
- 34— E. Fenno Heath
- 35— Albert A. Schaefer