

Lexington Ky  
Oct-4<sup>th</sup> 1889

To Worshipful Master  
Wardens & Brethren of  
Lexington Lodge No 1  
A. F. & M.

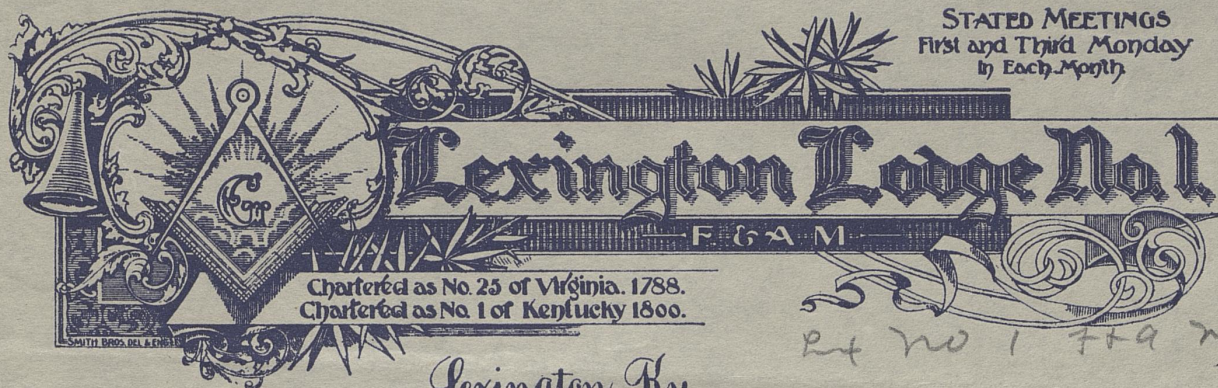
As a Committee  
of one from Lexington  
Lodge, to confer with a  
like Committee from Devotion  
Lodge, as to the building  
of a monument on the Masonic  
lot in the Cemetery here I  
will dare to report that  
Devotion Lodge at it's last  
meeting voted unanimous  
against the monument, but  
I hope Lexington Lodge will  
take matter in hand and  
put up a monument on  
the last purchase you  
made in the Cemetery.

(over)

Devotion Lodge also authorized  
it representative to the grand  
Lodge to confer with a  
like representative from No 1  
and have the grand lodge  
deed to the two lodges  
Good Samaritans. Interest  
in said lot

Regretting by inability to be  
with you  
I am

Fraternally Yours  
J. S. Andrews



It is moved that the report of the Building Committee be received and adopted; and that the said Committee be empowered to take such steps necessary to close the option on the Adams property on North Broadway, in conjunction with the other Masonic bodies of Lexington, after the title has been examined and passed upon by some competent attorney.

The Board of Trustees are directed to turn over to said Committee such funds in their hands as may be necessary to make the first payment.

Carroll 20-4



Lexington, Ky. — Aug 5 1910.

Called meeting per Lodge No 1

Present

J B Davis Master of Kurean  
 M A Cassidy Sec of Rousee  
 J W White J Jacobs T R Caswell J Johnson  
 J P. Easton S H Dean C W Shauke Paul  
 W Williams W Wamety J Johnson J Heyman J Jones  
 J Mical  
 Chas Scott A M Peter W S Lynn W H Clark J Helm  
 J W Green R William J W Norwood B Harmon S Mann J L Smith

The master stated that this meeting had been called to take action in the matter of purchasing the corner lot size 99 x 77 1/2 situated on the <sup>S</sup>W corner of Market & Church St Lexington Ky. The building committee stated that they had taken an option on the property and the price was to be \$14,000

M A Cassidy moved that the proposition be closed

Minutes

Lex Lodge No 1 - Fram

Called Convocation Aug 10 -  
2 pm to attend funeral of  
Bro d. S. Stewart.

J. S. Cramer Com p. S.

D. P. Eastin JW

Clow-Donald JW

J. W. Garokwenter S. S.

Nelson Smith J. S.

Newton Armstrong Tyler

Chas Kerr

J. P. Reese

Oscar Dye

after attending service the  
Lodge closed in due form

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GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY.

ALWAYS GIVE POSTOFFICE AND NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGE.  
USE SEAL.



F. & F. M.

VIRGIL P. SMITH,

Grand Master.

Somerset, Ky., JULY 15, 1909.

To The Craft:

Charity, the greatest of Masonic Virtues, has been at all times fully realized and exemplified by the Masons of Kentucky, the monuments which are the fruits of this virtue speak in thunder tones.

Shall we go forward or turn back?

We have, by our generosity and love, gotten the Widows and Orphans' Home on safe and stable ground. Shall we also place the Old Masons' Home in the same condition? We have a good farm and sufficient means in hands of the Board of Directors to erect a building. When this money is used there will be no funds available to use for care and maintenance of the inmates of this Home. Some means must be provided or we must retreat in ignominy and shame and abandon this great and noble undertaking.

Shall we retreat? *Never!*

I want this letter read in every lodge in this jurisdiction at a stated meeting before the returns are sent to Grand Secretary, and a vote taken and report made and sent with annual report on blank here-with enclosed on this question.

Are you in favor of increasing the Assessment 25 cents per member, to be used for maintaining the Old Masons' Home?

I trust every lodge in this jurisdiction will make report.

Yours Fraternally,

VIRGIL P. SMITH,

Grand Master.



By the Grand Master.

*H. B. Grant* Grand Secretary.

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To the officers and members of the various  
Lodges, Senates & Tribes of Odd Fellows  
Masons, Knights of Pythias, Essenes, &  
Red Men, <sup>& A. M.</sup> and of The U. M. C. A.  
& the Woman's Club: of Lexington, Ky.

Believing that there is need on the  
part of each of the above named  
organizations for suitable quarters,  
exactly adapted to their individual  
<sup>uses</sup> purposes, and knowing that there  
is not at the present time a first  
class building of any description  
in the city of Lexington, and having  
in mind the fact that in unity  
there is strength, the undersigned  
begs leave to present for your con-  
sideration a plan, whereby, with  
the co-operation of each of the above-  
named organizations, and the in-  
dividual members thereof a sufficient  
sum may be raised to wherewith to  
erect a mammoth building that  
shall accommodate them all.

Our conception of such a building  
is that it shall be of sufficient size  
upon the ground floor, say 70 feet by  
160 feet, with a central court 30x40 feet,  
with three or four handsome stores

with modern steel and plate glass fronts. The A Part of the Basement, First & Second Stories to be set apart for the use of the Y. M. C. A.

The balance of the second story to about 20 first class offices.

Above will be arranged five large lodge rooms, about 50x70 feet in size, with ante-rooms, reception rooms, waiting rooms, reading-rooms, libraries, etc etc, each to be arranged for the accommodation of the individual order or club that is to have sole use and possession, and to be so arranged that each order shall have its apartments entirely separated from any other. This would require an eight or nine story building, to be built of steel, stone & terra cotta, entirely fire-proof, with express elevators, and would be a modern, first-class, metropolitan building, a monument to the enterprise of the members of the orders and the citizens of Lexington, and would do more toward the upbuilding of our organizations and the city of Lexington than could possibly result from the same amount expended on a half dozen separate buildings.



We would suggest that such a building be called The Fraternal Building— It would cost, with the land, complete, not less than one hundred and fifty thousand (\$150,000), and could be raised on the principle of the Building Association. Let there be organized a stock company, with capital of \$150,000, of 1500 shares of \$100 each, payable at \$7 per month for 100 months or  $8\frac{2}{3}$  years. Let every ~~member~~ organization subscribe for a certain amount of the stock, and every individual member take one or more shares. Let the company be governed by a board of directors, consisting of one elected at large ~~from~~ by each organization represented, and one for every one hundred, or fraction of one hundred shares represented by members of each organization. At the end of the first year the ground could be purchased, and at the end of the second year the building could be erected, and bonded for 6 years, at which time all the shares would have matured and the debt paid off; the income from the building in the mean time taking care of the interest.

We invite you to appoint a committee of one from your organ-

ization to meet with the undersigned  
at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
for the further consideration of  
the within plan herein set forth.

Respectfully submitted.

A. Croliok

LAW OFFICES

TANNER &amp; FORMAN,

Northern Bank Building.

Lexington, Ky., Decr. 28, 1892

H. B. Grant, Esq.

Grand Secty. Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Sir. <sup>Esq. Bro.</sup>

Last night at meeting of Lexington Lodge No. 1. F. & A. M. we were appointed a Committee to ascertain the proposed cost of the monument to be erected to the memory of "Past Grand Master Hiram Bassett" with a view to determining what sum our Lodge would contribute. Upon proper motion our Lodge determined to contribute something toward this worthy purpose.

The amount will be determined and remitted as soon as we learn the kind & probable or proposed cost of the structure.

Yours Respectfully  
 J. J. Blade  
 J. L. Watson  
 T. T. Forman

To W. M. Washburn, & Matthew Fox, Lodge No. 10, 201  
We the undersigned Committee recommend an  
appropriation of Ten (\$10<sup>00</sup>) Dollars for  
The Hiram Bassett monument by  
this Lodge.      Jan'y. 2, 1892

J. S. & Co  
J. L. Watson  
J. J. Fournier

A happy new year

Louisville Dec 29/92  
Respectfully referred  
to Wm. Proffers and P.  
Stevens, Elders Com.  
minutes - for copies  
W. B. Brown  
in the

The kind report of the monument  
much necessarily depend upon  
the amount raised. - It should  
be at least \$1000. The Com-  
mittee hope to have \$1500

GRAND LODGE OF KENTUCKY,  
F. AND A. M.  
GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

LOUISVILLE, KY., March 20, 1902.

To Kentucky Lodges, F. and A. M.:—

DEAR BRETHREN—At the annual communication of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, held October 15-17, 1901, the following was adopted:

“*Be it resolved*, That the subordinate lodges of this jurisdiction be, and the same are hereby requested by this Grand Lodge, to adopt a resolution appointing the Grand Master, as their proxy, to vote their respective life memberships in the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home and Infirmary, in the election of Directors of said Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home and Infirmary;

“That it shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary to formulate a power of attorney or proxy for the use of Lodges and request them to comply with the foregoing resolution by signing said power of attorney or letter of proxy for the purpose aforesaid.”

In obedience to this edict of the Grand Lodge, I have formulated a proxy which is herewith inclosed, that you may comply with the request of the Grand Lodge, if such is your desire, and which I request you to do, as the Grand Lodge directed me.

Kindly fill the blanks, have it signed by the Worshipful Master and attested by the Secretary, with Lodge Seal, then detach it and return it to me *as soon as convenient*, as the election will take place at an early day.

Fraternally thine,

*It declined Apr 7/02* *H. B. Grant*  
Grand Secretary.

At a stated meeting of..... Lodge No..... held in its hall

at..... Kentucky, on the..... day of..... 1902,

the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, F. and A. M., be, and he is hereby appointed the proxy of the Lodge, and is hereby authorized and empowered to vote the Life Memberships of this Lodge in the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home and Infirmary in the election of a Director or Directors of said Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home and Infirmary, and on all other questions in which this Lodge may be authorized to vote its said memberships. This authority is to continue in the Grand Master until revoked by resolution of this Lodge, and due notice given.

.....Master.

[LODGE SEAL, HERE,]

.....Secretary.

1. - Resolved by Lexington Lodge No. 1 F & A. M. that it is very desirable to this Lodge, desirable to the Community in which said Lodge is located, and greatly to the interest of the Home for aged Masons in Kentucky, and to the cause of Masonry in Lexington that said Home should be located in Fayette County Kentucky, for the reasons hereinafter stated and perhaps for other reasons which may not be covered by these resolutions;

First, it is desirable to this Lodge because it is believed that it will greatly increase and revive an interest in Masonry in this section of the State; and it will be desirable to this Community because of the increased business <sup>it</sup> will bring to it.

Secondly, the advantages to the Home will be the central location at Lexington, its easy access by excellent railroad connections from every part of the State, its location in a quiet, orderly and thrifty Community, in the very heart of the richest agricultural region of the State, and where its inmates will be subject to the wholesome influence of a surrounding population of culture and intelligence.

Resolved, that the Master of Lexington Lodge No. 1 F. & A. M. be and <sup>he</sup> ~~it~~ is hereby requested to appoint a Committee in behalf of this Lodge to confer with the committee of the Grand Lodge having the location of said Home in charge, and that said committee be instructed to confer with Devotion Lodge Committee and the committee already appointed to this end by the Chamber of Commerce of Lexington, Ky. to use all honorable and proper means to secure the location of said Home in Fayette County Kentucky.

STATED MEETINGS  
First and Third Monday  
In Each Month



Lexington, Ky. —

Report approved  
agreement

By motion report and agreement be  
spread upon minutes

L H Heyman + G D Williams Friskie  
Bos J + K... + W B Resper  
reported well

~~W Scott 10.00~~

~~Old Mason 5.00~~

~~H Clay Postmort~~

~~H R Can suspension~~

~~W B... meeting~~

~~Bill Mrs Cooley feeding children 10.00~~

~~Har 2.50~~

~~Conspiration paper 25.00~~

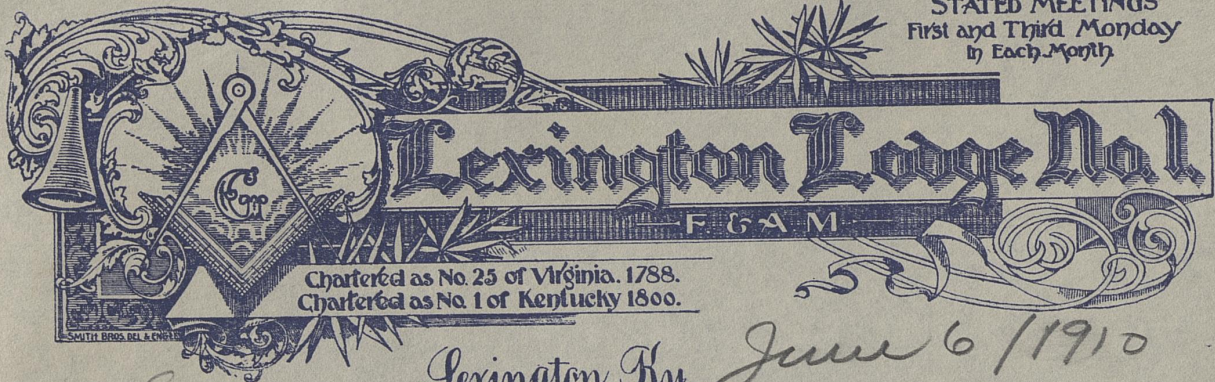
~~Bill plan for society 2.00~~

~~Call off for opening H A Rock expanded~~

~~in G. to close in m called on~~

~~Ballot box removed from m. C. M. H. + R. H.~~

~~for 4 C. M. H. + R. H. 7 C. D. J. R.~~



Lexington, Ky. June 6 / 1910

Lodge Fellow Crafts opened in  
due form, at 10<sup>30</sup> p.m.

J. S. Cramer W.M. acting

J. Bert Faldner J.P. "

J. H. Harwood J.P. "

L. Ginzler J. Secy "

Edw. Williamson J. Secy "

H. B. Basson Secy "

Jacob Sandusky Tyler

Bro. Jesse Raspe & G. L. Keyman

Brothers, M. Elam, E. K. Mann and

W. Donaldson Entered apprentice

examined in Entered apprentice degree

found proficient.

No other business lodge F&C

closed in form at 10<sup>50</sup> p.m.





Lexington, Ky. — April 28/10

Called meeting opened at 8-P.M.

J. Bruce Davis, M.  
Howard Wilkinson S. W.

A. C. Sweeney J. W.

F. T. Baker Tr acting

N. N. Smiths Sec "

M. A. Cassidy S. O.

S. L. Heyman J. O. acting

James Green Tyler.

Members Present U. L. Garrison D. R. Easton

James Nichol, Claude Jacobs,

Dr. C. C. Leaning, C. J. Shearer, J. F. Bean,

Visiting Brothers, Lee Collins Redmon Washington Lodge #79,  
N. Middletown, Ky.

A. L. Atwell Craton Lodge #671,  
Casey, Ky.

U. M. Bolin Brethart Lodge #649  
Jackson Ky

Called to confer mastery degree upon Fellow Crafts

U. N. Tillam Jr Paid \$5.00

J. B. Scott. " \$5.00

M. M. degree conferred upon the two candidates (over)

Resolution was made and carried to have  
notice of stated meetings of L. Lodge #1  
be inserted in the daily papers  
no other business Lodge closed in June  
at 10-05-P.M.

N. H. Smith Sec Acting

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MASONIC WIDOWS AND ORPHANS' HOME.

T. L. JEFFERSON, PRESIDENT,  
AMERICAN CHICLE CO.

T. J. ADAMS, SUPERINTENDENT,  
AT THE HOME.

H. B. GRANT, SECRETARY,  
MASONIC TEMPLE.

OFFICE OF

# Masonic W. & O. Home & Infirmary

OF KENTUCKY.



*Louisville, Ky.* March 22nd., 1909

To the Officers and Members of Lexington Lodge #1,  
Lexington, Kentucky.

Brethren:-

Mrs. M. E. Johnston, a Beneficiary of Lexington Lodge #1,  
died in our Home on Saturday morning, March 20th, at 11 o'clock. I  
telephoned Brother Lancaster as soon as her death occurred. Her funeral  
was held in our Chapel at 9 o'clock this morning, after which she was  
laid to rest in our lot in Cave Hill Cemetery.

Yours Fraternally,

*T. J. Adams,*  
*Sup't.*



Lexington, Ky. —

I make that the option on the property  
corner Market & Church, of 14000 Net to the  
owner be closed provided the auctur  
Masonic bodies concur and are  
willing to pay a certain percentage  
of the purchase price. Which ~~shall~~  
~~that the fixed amount~~. Which  
percentage ~~shall~~ shall be the available  
funds <sup>and assets</sup> they have now on hand, such  
~~securities~~, funds & assets to be converted  
into cash within a reasonable time and  
paid over to a duly authorized committee  
or holding corporation to be formed  
later

Came 74-11