

Craft Masonry in Livingston County, New York

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Note: Lodges with a "c" following the Number were 'Country Lodges.' Lodges in **Blue type** are currently active.



1789 - Ontario County was split off from Montgomery.
 1802 - Genesee County was created by a splitting of Ontario County.
 1821 - Livingston County was formed from Genesee and Ontario Counties.



No.	Lodge Name	Village	Chartered	Notes
45	Union	Lima	11 Jun 1816	prev. No. 261, 11 Jun 1816 [q.v.]; fire May 1866
59	Mark Trinity (Trinity Mark)	Lima	ca 1809	dissolved in 1814' for NPD; predecessor of Union No. 261, 11 Jun 1816; renumbered No. 45
115	Phoenix	Dansville	18 Aug 1846	preceded by Dansville No. 366, 5 Jun 1818; forfeit 1835
122	Mount Morris	Mount Morris	09 Jun 1847	Prev. No. 316, 23 Oct 1818; forfeit 8 Jun 1832
130	Genesee	Avon	12 Feb 1806	forfeit 1835; prev. of Ontario County; now of Livingston Co.
214	Genesee	Genesee	14 Mar 1851	prev. Comet No. 328, 19 Feb 1820, 'went dark' ca 1830; forfeit 8 Jun 1832; fire 1866, ca 1895 and ca 1947
295	Morning Star	Nunda	01 Aug 1818	forfeit ca 1834; prev. of Allegany Co.; now of Livingston
299	Keshequa	Nunda	11 Jun 1853	not in 2005 GL Proceedings
306	Dansville	Dansville	05 Jun 1818	prev. of Steuben Co.; now of Livingston; forfeit 1835; revived as Phoenix No. 115, 18 Aug 1846
316	Mount Morris	Mount Morris	23 Oct 1818	forfeit ca 1832; prev. of Genesee Co.; now Livingston
328	Comet	Genesee	19 Feb 1820	forfeit 1832; revived as Genesee No. 214, May 1851; prev. of Ontario Co.; now Livingston Co
334	Trinity	Livonia	09 Mar 1821	
369	Caledonia	Caledonia	04 Mar 1824	
379	Oakland	Castile / Oakland	06 Jun 1856	see also Western Luminary No. 473, 10 Jun 1826; Warranted at Hunts Hollow, Livingston Co.; removed to Portage Village, 4 Jun 1858; removed to Castile, 10 Jun 1864
439c	Social	York	01 Jun 1825	'lost charter' 1832
478	Dansville	South Dansville		
483	Luminary	Springwater	09 Jun 1826	dissolved ca 10 Sep 1830

570	Avon Springs	Avon	30 Jun 1865	successor of Genesee No. 130, 10 Feb 1804, forfeit 1835
682	Nunda Station	Nunda / Dalton	29 Sep 1868	fire 19 Nov 1920 and 23 Nov 1997 preceded by Social Lodge No. 439, Jun 1825, of York; 'disappeared' during Morgan Affair; also Red Jacket Lodge No. ?, also fell to the Morgan Affair (unless it was Red Jacket No. 646, 12 Jun 1867, of Lockport, NY, over 40 miles west of Caledonia ?)
778	Livonia	Livonia	11 Jun 1877	
830	Eunice	Caledonia	02 May 1900	

Ref. "Freemasonry in Livingston County, New York," compiled by W.'. Emmett E. Hawkins. 1983. 127 pages.

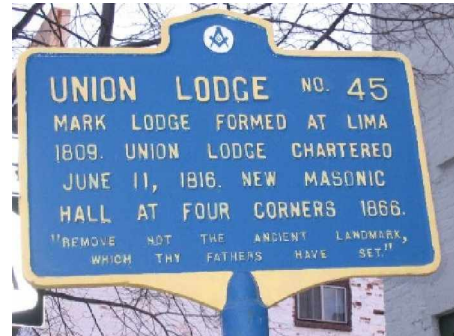
Union Lodge No. 45, Lima, New York

WARRANT: The original warrant, dated June 11, 1810, signed by DEWITT CLINTON, Grand Master, is in possession of the Lodge, the first number was No. 261; it became No. 45 when the Lodges were renumbered in 1839.

The warrant named as first officers: JUSTIN SMITH, Master; SMITH WEEKS, Senior Warden and ASAHEL WARNER, Junior Warden.

Minutes: Not intact: all minutes prior to 1840 were destroyed by fire.

At the organization of the Lodge it was located at Lima, NY, where it remained until 1825; under date of October 25th the record contains the following entry: "This Lodge removed to West Mendon (now Honeoye Falls), where it occupied rooms in what was known as 'Old Sines Tavern'; on January 25, 1831, the Lodge returned to Lima where it has since remained. Upon its return in 1831 it occupied rooms in the upper story of the Town House on Rochester Street, remaining here several years, when it removed to an old hostelry known as "The Yellow Wasp," located about a mile west of the village. Upon its return to the village it located in "The American Hotel," at the four corners; in 1853 it moved to rooms in the Godfrey building on Rochester Street, which were occupied until their destruction by fire in 1865. All of the property of the Lodge was destroyed by this fire. For a short time it met in the Gilbert Block on West Main Street: in 1866 it moved to the Masonic Hall at the four corners where it still remains.



Thrice has its quarters been destroyed by fire, almost its entire possessions being swept away, but phoenix-like it came out of the ashes and wreck with sufficient pluck and courage to overcome disaster and maintain its existence. The Masons composing this Lodge were men of energy, loyal to their duty, and were possessed of that sterling energy that overcomes all obstacles, that will find a way out of all difficulties. Their fortitude and zeal never weakened, but like true sons and descendants of those intrepid founders of the Lodge, have carried on the work so well begun by such men as SMITH WEEKS, the first elected Master, who was a Methodist clergyman whose custom it was to deliver a discourse on St. John's Day; ASAHEL WARNER, the first Junior Warden, one of the early pioneers of Western New York, honored and respected in the community, a Major of militia and for several years represented Ontario County in the State Assembly; LEVI HOVEY, the first elected Treasurer, for a time one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas and Clerk of Livingston County; SAMUEL DANIELS, the first Secretary, was a physician of note in the town of Livonia; his remains rest in the Presbyterian Cemetery at Lima, and upon the stone marking his grave is his epitaph as follows:

"Greatly lamented, not only in the endeared relations of a husband, father and friend, but also as one skilled in the medical profession. and blessed of God, in restoring to health and preserving from the grave many within the wide sphere of his labors."
In the early history of the Lodge it met in the daytime, and frequently all three degrees were conferred in one day.

MORGAN PERIOD: In common with other Lodges in Western New York, Union Lodge suffered under the wild frenzy and bitter hostility to everything Masonic during that period. Notwithstanding the persecution and social ostracism met with by these loyal Masons, they continued to hold meetings as regularly as possible; a part of the time the bitterness of those who were active in their hatred was such that men known to be Masons were subjected to insults and threats in the open day; at one time clergymen refused to officiate at the funerals of those known to have Masonic affiliations.

R.'. W.'. GEORGE W. ATWELL, JR., in his "Leaves from the History of Union Lodge, No. 45," says:

"Nor did this feeling seem to abate with the flight of years; so late as 1848 clothing infected with smallpox was, during a meeting of the Lodge, heaped against the door leading to the Lodge-room, then situated in the American Hotel at the four corners in the village of Lima, and every member in attendance save one suffered from the contagion. We cannot attempt to give anything like a history of these years, or the constant scene of trials' through which our brethren passed: for obvious reasons the minutes contain nothing save the facts which show that the organization was perpetuated; that which would interest us most is unwritten, the actors in those stirring scenes have all obeyed the summons of the Master and traditions alone remain."

Prominent among the members of these years was ALANSON BROWN, who was Master in 1825, and with the exception of two years, from 1831 to 1855; he was the first who received the third degree under the warrant in 1817, and during the remainder of his life he was unswerving in his attachment to the principles of Masonry; at the installation of officers, December 31, 1856 (the 40th anniversary of Bro. BROWN'S initiation), M.'. W.'. JOHN L. LEWIS, then Grand Master of Masons in this State, was present, and on behalf of the Lodge presented to him a beautiful Past Master's jewel in recognition of his long and untiring devotion to the Order he loved and served so well; he died June 9, 1872, and was buried with Masonic honors in the Presbyterian Cemetery at Lima, where so many of his brethren

"Sleep the sleep that knows not breaking."

There are others to be remembered as his associates during these years: JUSTIN SMITH, ASAHEL WARNER, SAMUEL STEVENS, JAMES STERLING, GEORGE W. ATWELL, ERASMUS T. COMMINS, JOHN LLOYD, FRANKLIN CARTER, ADOLPHUS WATKINS, ALEXANDER MARTIN, JOHN CLARE, E. ATWOOD SUMNER, HARVEY BROWN, BELOSTE BUNNELL, AUGUSTUS A. BENNETT and SAMUEL C. BRONSON are names which frequently occur in the annals of that period. To them as Masons we render a homage, justly due, for their determination of character and inflexible fidelity to their trust. Their fortitude and zeal never flagged amid the toils and conflicts of life: they were faithful unto the end; and one by one they have passed to that reward which awaits duty well performed.

"Who in Life's battle firm doth stand,
Shall bear Hope's tender blossoms
Into the Silent Land."

But brighter days at length dawned; the storm spent its force and sober truth prevailed; and this little band of Brethren beheld in triumph the downfall of apostasy and the overthrow of their enemies. With the year 1848 commenced a revival in Masonic circles and in Union Lodge, No. 45, there was an activity hitherto unknown; accessions by initiation and affiliation increased, and the time-honored communication "on or before the full moon" was supplanted by two meetings each month.

The following curious and interesting items are taken from an early sketch of the Lodge:

"At a stated meeting of Union Lodge, No. 261, held on the 31st of December, 1816, ZERINA C. HOVEY, ALANSON BROWN and ELIAS CLARE were the three first members initiated in the Lodge, and ALANSON BROWN was the first person initiated. Raised and raised in said Lodge."

"At a stated meeting of Union Lodge held at this Lodge-room, May 20, 1834, it was voted that all the members of this Lodge who have moved out of the jurisdiction of this Lodge, and all of them who have been summoned to pay their dues to the Grand Lodge and have neglected to do so, stand suspended until they do so."

"In May, 1841, all the furniture, books, papers and records belonging to Union Lodge, No. 45, were destroyed by fire except the Charter, recorded proceedings of the Lodge and the Officers' jewels, the square, compass and bible was burnt."

1856, December 31. At a special meeting of Union Lodge, No. 45, called by order of WILLIAM HARMON, W. Master for Installing the Officers elect and for the presentation of a gold medal to our late Worshipful Master ALANSON BROWN, agreeable to a resolution of said Lodge, this evening being the fortieth anniversary of his being Initiated into the mysteries of Masonry in this Lodge, he being the first person Initiated, Passed and Raised in this Lodge.

Lodge opened in due form on the third degree in Masonry.

(Here follows a list of the Officers and the names, of thirty-eight Masons who were present.)

"In due time it was announced by the Tiler that the Grand Officers were in waiting.

"The Lodge was called up and the Grand Officers were received in due form—The HON. JOHN L. LEWIS, JR., Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York was welcomed in the East and took his seat as Presiding Officer, and proceeded to address the brethren and their families in an eloquent and fraternal manner on their duties as Masons, after which the Officers of the Lodge were duly installed by the Most Worshipful Grand Master, assisted by W. ALANSON BROWN as Deputy Grand Master, JACOB B. HALL as Grand Marshall, and took their several stations. The Most Worshipful Grand Master presented a gold Past Master's medal to W. ALANSON BROWN, who expressed his thanks in a fitting manner.

"Inscribed upon the medal is, 'Presented by the Brethren of Union Lodge, No. 45, F. & A. M., to Alanson Brown in token of respect and as a memento of more than twenty-five years' service as their Master. Lima. 1850.'

"The Lodge was then called from labor to refreshment, and proceeded to the American Hotel, where a bountiful repast was served up by Russell Taylor. After partaking of the bounties provided and an interchange of fraternal sentiments, the brethren repaired to Masonic Hall where the Lodge was closed in due form.

(Signed)

" FRANKLIN CARTER,

"Secretary."

MEN IN PUBLIC LIFE.

Asahel Warner, Member of Assembly and District Attorney. George Hosmer, Member of Assembly,
Levi Hovey, Clerk of Livingston County. George Smith, Member of Assembly.
Alvin Chamberlain, Member of Assembly. Augustus A. Bennett, District Attorney, Livingston County.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

William A. Sutherland, Grand Master.
William H. Whiting, Grand Lecturer.
George W. Atwell, Jr., District Deputy Grand Master.
Emanuel Case, Associate Founder Grand Lodge of Minnesota and First Grand Treasurer thereof (re-elected ten times).

MASTERS.

1816. Justin Smith.	1823. Levi Hovey.	1830. James Smith.	1837. Alanson Brown.
1817. Smith Weeks.	1824. Levi Hovey.	1831. Alanson Brown.	1838. Alanson Brown.
1818. James Sterling.	1825. Alanson Brown.	1832. Alanson Brown.	1839. Alanson Brown.
1819. Levi Hovey.	1826. James Smith.	1833. Alanson Brown.	1840. Alanson Brown.
1820. Levi Hovey.	1827. James Smith.	1834. Alanson Brown.	1841. Alanson Brown.
1821. Levi Hovey.	1828. James Smith.	1835. Alanson Brown.	1842. Alanson Brown.
1822. Levi Hovey.	1829. James Smith.	1836. Augustus A. Bennett.	1843. Alanson Brown.

1844. Alanson Brown.	1879. James T. Gordon.	1914. Raymond P. Webb	1950. Harold J. Ollerenshaw
1845. Alanson Brown.	1880. James T. Gordon.	1915. William Ollerenshaw	1951. William R. Clarke
1846. Alanson Brown.	1881. James T. Gordon.	1916. William Ollerenshaw	1952. Donald P. Lamb
1847. Alanson Brown.	1882. James T. Gordon.	1917. William Ollerenshaw	1953. Wesley P. Crane
1848. Alanson Brown.	1883. James T. Gordon.	1918. John H. Gray	1954. Richard J. Martin
1849. Alanson Brown.	1884. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1919. John H. Gray	1955. James Stanton
1850. Alanson Brown.	1885. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1920. Howard S. Allen	1956. Donald S. Wood
1851. Alanson Brown.	1886. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1921. Howard S. Allen	1957. Earl Jenks
1852. Alanson Brown.	1887. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1922. Raymond S. Beecher	1958. Howard B. Howes
1853. Alexander Martin.	1888. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1923. Raymond S. Beecher	1959. William E. Smith
1854. Alanson Brown.	1889. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1924. Joseph N. Peck	1960. Harry Vellekoop
1855. Alanson Brown.	1890. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1925. Joseph N. Peck	1961. Leon J. Mahar
1856. William Harmon.	1891. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1926. Raymond A. Green	1962. Bruce A. Coxe
1857. William Harmon.	1892. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1927. Raymond A. Green	1963. Donald E. Barnes
1858. John Clark.	1893. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1928. Addison E. Pierce	1964. Olan L. Stevens
1859. William Harmon.	1894. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1929. Wilfred W. Burnham	1965. Olan L. Stevens
1860. William Harmon.	1895. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1930. Fred C. Peck	1966. Donald G. Cameron
1861. William Harmon.	1896. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1931. Gerald H. Martin	1967. Willis J. Hegeman
1862. William Harmon.	1897. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1932. Gerald H. Martin	1968. Richard Y. Willis
1863. William Harmon.	1898. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1933. Leonard B. Pierce	1969. Guy E. Ball
1864. Francis S. Stevens.	1899. George W. Atwell, Jr.	1934. Paul E. DeMartinis	1970. Robert Young
1865. Francis S. Stevens.	1900. Lewis H. Moses.	1935. Edgar J. Wood	1971. Harry Barnes
1866. James T. Gordon.	1901. Lewis H. Moses.	1936. Edgar J. Wood	1972. Thomas Bennett
1867. Charles G. Hudson.	1902. Gedney S. Bauter.	1937. Wilfred W. Burnham	1973. Bruce Whitmore
1868. James T. Gordon.	1903. Charles D. Goodrich.	1938. Herbert C. Reif	1974. Caryl Eckert
1869. William Long.	1904. Charles D. Goodrich.	1939. Arthur J. Leaty	1975. James Lee
1870. William Long.	1905. Charles D. Goodrich	1940. Fred C. Peck	1976. Carl Akin
1871. Ambrose Hyde.	1906. Jacob Bettinger	1941. Dr. George H. Dill	1977. Jerome Treuthart
1872. Francis S. Stevens.	1907. Alexander Martin	1942. Maynard Sherman	1978. Jerome Treuthart
1873. Clark Meachum.	1908. Alexander Martin	1943. Emery R. Horton	1979. Franklin Pitcher
1874. Clark Meachum.	1909. Fred J. Bullock	1944. Earl A. Snyder	1980. Robert Young
1875. Clark Meachum.	1910. Charles D. Goodrich	1945. Cassius S. Conner	1981. Lee W. Shanks
1876. Clark Meachum.	1911. Charles D. Goodrich	1947. Samuel S. Bonner	1982. James D. Kirkwood, Jr.
1877. James M. Heath.	1912. Charles D. Goodrich	1948. Avery A. Lusk	1983. James Van Maaren
1878. John C. Shardlow.	1913. Raymond P. Webb	1949. Alfred C. Green	

Livingston Republican, 20 Jun 1872
 Obituary of Alanson Brown

ALANSON BROWN--On Sunday of last week one of the pioneers of this section died, ripe in years, and honored by his fellow men.- Alanson Brown, to whom we refer, died at the residence of his son-in-law, W. E. Pattie, Esq., of Avon, after a very short illness. He was 83 years old at the time of his death. When only six years old, he removed, with his parents, to Lima, (than called Charleston,) and his home has been in that town most of his life. The gradual changes which Mr. Brown has been take place in his long life-time have been great. The wilderness has been given way to the busy town, the forest become the cultivated farm, the trackless, unknown country been covert with innumerable lines of railways and telegraphs. He has seen a nation spring from the weakness of infancy into the ripeness and strength of great power.---Powers and dynasties across have come into existence and passed away, while he looked on,---in fact, the total of the program and improvement thus far accomplished in the nineteenth century has been made before his eyes. All these things he remembered well, and his faculties remaining unimpaired to the last, he often delighted to recall the reminiscences of youth and early manhood. Mr. Brown was an active member of the Masonic fraternity, and was one of the oldest Masons in Western New York. He was twice married, and six children survived him, one son and five daughters, (one of them Mrs. J. F. Bishop, of this village). He was buried with Masonic honors on Tuesday of last week in Lima.

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LEVI HOVEY, born the ninth of 16 children on 16 Jan 1792, the son of Simeon Hovey and his second wife Lovisa Bloss. He began life as a carpenter in Lima, NY; but soon drifted to Genesee, NY There he studied law and became a lawyer and judge of a court in Batavia, NY. He was the owner of a book store, and became publisher and editor of the *Genesee Democrat*, the county organ of the Democratic party. He invested in a new printing press, and before he was able to pay for it a note he had given was protested. Feeling disgraced, he went to New Orleans, LA, and died. It was learned, upon examination of his business affairs that the books in his store would have been ample security for his debt. He married Betsey, daughter of Asa and Christiana (Dart) Bishop 22 Sep 1816, b. in Genesee 20 Sep 1792; d. 1 May 1819. Children born in Lima, NY:

- i. AUGUSTINE WASHINGTON, b. 19 Jun 1817.
- ii. CHARLES, b. 02 Aug 1821.
- iii. JANE ELIZABETH, b. 10 Mar 1825; m. 24 Apr 1867 Isaac I. Voorheis in Pontiac. He was a farmer and capitalist; and lived at Lapeer, Mich., where she died 30 Sep 1884.

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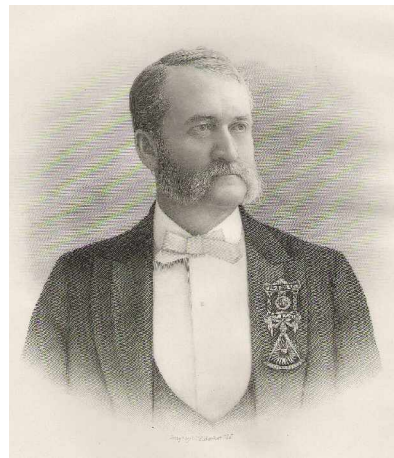
William A. Sutherland. Bro. Sutherland was born May 30, 1849, near Canandaigua, NY, was educated at Genesee Wesleyan Seminary and Genesee College, at Lima, N. Y.; read law in the office of Supreme Court Justice Nash, and was admitted to the bar in 1874. He is a member of the law firm of Shuart, Sutherland & Toole. He was many years secretary of the Republican County Committee of Livingston County, NY; has been a delegate to every republican state convention for many years; in 1892 was temporary chairman at the State Convention in Albany and delivered the first Philippic against Judge Maynard; in 1893 was chairman of the committee on platform at the Republican State Convention at Syracuse, NY, when the principal issue before the people was the opposition to the election of Judge Maynard to the Court of Appeals; he served as member of the Republican National Committee for the State of New York from 1892 to 1896 and was a delegate from the Rochester District to the Republican National Convention at St. Louis in June, 1896.

One of the most prominent Masons in Rochester, and, indeed, in the State of New York, is Past Grand Master William A. Sutherland. He was at the head of the Grand Lodge of the Empire State for two terms, the years 1897 and 1898. He took a most active part in the welfare of Masons and Masonic organizations and his administration was marked by aggressive work. One of the most important incidents of his administration was his prompt action in severing relations with the Grand Lodge of Peru because of the action of the Grand Master of Peru, Christian Dam, in substituting the constitution of Peru for the Bible on all the altars of Peruvian lodges. The action of the Empire State Masons was followed by Grand Lodges throughout this country and finally throughout the world. J. A. Ego Aguirre, New York State's representative, near the Peruvian Grand Lodge, on March 25, 1898, issued a circular protesting against the action of Grand Master Dam. On May 6, 1898, Dam was defeated and M. W. J. A. Ego Aguirre was elected Grand Master. The Bible was at once restored to Peruvian Lodge altars.

R. W. William A. Sutherland was made a Mason October 1, 1870, in Union Lodge, 45, at Lima, NY, was junior warden of Union Lodge in 1873, Worshipful Master of Mt. Morris Lodge 122 in 1883-84; first Master of Frank R. Lawrence Lodge, 797, Rochester, in 1889; senior deacon of that Lodge from 1890 to 1894; was district deputy for the 22d Masonic district of New York State from 1889 to 1891; was elected junior Grand Warden June 3, 1891; Senior Grand Warden June 7, 1893; Deputy Grand Master June 5, 1895; received the Royal Arch degree Feb. 22, 1871 in Morning Star Chapter 107; was High Priest of Ionic Chapter 210 in 1890 and 1891; received the degree of Knight Templar March 14, 1884, in Cyrene Commandery 39, Rochester, N. Y., and served as prelate of the commandery from 1886 to 1891 inclusive; received the degrees in Rochester Lodge of Perfection Jan. 12, 1885; has been treasurer of that lodge and Rochester Council; was Master of Rochester Chapter of Rose-Croix from 1888 to 1892; received the degrees of Rochester Consistory Feb. 9, 1885; was elected to the 33° at Providence Sept. 21, 1892, and was duly created Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, Sept. 19, 1893, at the session of the Supreme Council of the Northern District, held in Chicago. For more than a quarter of a century Bro. Sutherland has served the craft faithfully.

1897-98 William Andrew Sutherland (30 May 1849-8 Mar 1908)

"A Standard History of Freemasonry in the State of New York," Peter Ross. Vol II, 1901. pages 17-26; Vol. I, page 690.



The officers associated with John Stewart during his two terms as Master were in many respects as thoroughly devoted a body of craftsmen as ever served the Grand Lodge.

William A. Sutherland, Deputy Grand Master during these years, and who in 1897 succeeded to "the purple of the fraternity" is one of the best known lawyers in the western part of the State. He was born 30 May 1849, near Canandaigua, NY (Hopewell, Ontario Co., NY), the son of Andrew Sutherland (b. 22 Jul 1818, New Fare, Niagara, NY; d. 27 Feb 1891, Rochester, NY, son of Andrew Sutherland and Naomi Cooley) and Mary McLean (b. 16 Mar 1828, Dundee, Yates, NY; d. Nov 1899, daughter of William McLean and Elizabeth DeGroot). He received his education at Genesee Wesleyan Seminary and Genesee College, at Lima, N. Y., and read law in the office of Edwin A. Nash, now a Justice of the Supreme Court; was admitted to practice in April, 1874, and, removing to Rochester, entered into partnership with W. Dean Shuart, ex-Surrogate of Monroe county, in January, 1884, which partnership continues to this day.

He was many years Secretary of the Republican County Committee of Livingston County and has been a delegate to every Republican State convention for many years. In 1892 he was temporary chairman of the State convention which met at Harmanus Bleeker Hall, Albany, NY, and delivered the first philippic against Judge Maynard; in 1893 he was chairman of the Committee on Platform of the Republican State convention

held at Syracuse, when the principal issue before the people was the opposition to the election of Judge Maynard to the Court of Appeals; he served as the member of the Republican National Committee for the State of New York from 1892 to 1896, and was a delegate from the Rochester district to the Republican National convention at St. Louis in June, 1896. Mr. Sutherland's professional life has been a very active one, and he has been concerned in the argument of questions of wide and far-reaching interest; he was leading counsel on the Republican side in the management and argument of the cases growing out of the Senatorial election contest in 1891, and was also retained to institute for the Republicans the attack on the constitutionality of the re-apportionment act passed in 1892. W. A. Sutherland is one of the most eloquent speakers before the bar of New York and his Masonic addresses have often thrilled vast assemblages. We would like to reproduce some of these, but space forbids. We, however, give one little gem, part of the address he delivered at Rondout on Decoration Day, 1898, when unveiling a monument over the burial plot of Rondout Lodge, No. 343: We are met in the city of the dead. We are engaged in a ceremony unique, if not unprecedented. That which we here dedicate is to commemorate the stranger from afar, as well as those whose remains were followed to the cemetery by the weeping faces of bereaved friends. About us are monuments erected by loving hands in memory of their departed kinsmen.

These other stones speak of family ties that have been sundered, and of friends, relatives, and life-long companions, whose heads have been bowed in grief. To this plot Freemasons will come, bringing the stranger and the sojourner to his last earthly resting place. Surrounding us are mounds hallowed by the remains of those torn from family circles, which, nevertheless, can here convene to mourn their dead. But in this plot now lies one, and doubtless others will be laid, dying far from home and friends, save as brethren have been found in Rondout Lodge. Because the portals of the tomb are ever open: because the shadow of the coming throng ever falls athwart its gateway; because the sound of mourning is ever heard in some household; because the hand of death does every day touch the heartstrings of some survivors as it snatches from sight beloved forms; because in the midst of life we are in death, this monument will always be a joy to some, pointing as the index finger of Rondout Lodge from earth toward heaven and saying: "The dead are not here, but yonder."

The stars that are not seen of day, and at night are oft times covered from our eyes by the overhanging clouds, do, nevertheless, move in their majestic march through space, held in course by the hand that made us all. Though not seen by feeble eyes of men they are there. But they who builded this monument, the members of Rondout Lodge, who, forty-two years ago, purchased this plot of ground, the fair ones who so generously last winter aided your enterprise, aye, the six already buried here, believed in the life that is after this. Our friends that are gone we cannot see, and our puny hands cannot reach their touch, but the law that placed us here, the law that removes us hence, the law that sent us without our bidding, the law that calls us in an hour that we think not, that law and its Maker have taught us that beyond the reach of human hands, beyond the sweep of earthly eyes, we shall live.

Masonic Record:

11 Oct 1870 Raised in Union Lodge, No. 45, at Lima, NY; Junior Warden of Union Lodge in 1873
 1883-84 Master of Mount Morris Lodge, No. 122
 1889 First Master of Frank R. Lawrence Lodge, No. 797
 1889 to 1891 Deputy for the 22nd District
 1891 Elected Junior Grand Warden
 1893 Senior Grand Warden
 1895 Elected Deputy Grand Master
 1897-98 Grand Master
 22 Feb 1871 Received the Royal Arch degrees, in Morning Star Chapter 107
 1890-91 High Priest of Ionic Chapter 210
 14 Mar 1884 Received the Knightly degrees, in Cyrene Commandery, No. 39; served as its Prelate 1886-91, inclusive.
 In the Scottish Rite he received the degrees in Rochester Lodge of Perfection, Council, Chapter of Rose Croix, and Consistory, and was Master of the Chapter from 1888 to 1892, inclusive.
 21 Sep 1892 Elected 33° at Providence, and was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General 19 Sep 1893, at the session of the Supreme Council, NMJ, at Chicago.

<http://worldconnect.genealogy.rootsweb.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=dbccbd&id=11544>

Col. Andrew Sutherland b. 3 Sep 1776 in Sutherland Falls, Rutland Co, VT; d. 27 Feb 1836 in Cambria, Niagara Co, NY; bur. Glenwood Cem, Lockport, Niagara Co, NY.

From the Cooley Family Genealogy: ". . . res in the village of Sutherland Falls, named for John Sutherland . . . Col. Andrew Sutherland died 27 Feb 1836 in Cambria, Niagara, NY to which he removed in 1810 residing near Warren's Corners on Ridge Road. He served in the Militia in the War of 1812, afterwards becoming a Colonel of Militia."

From the History of Macomb County (Michigan): ". . . (Andrew Sutherland) was a soldier of the war of 1812 and was promoted to the Colonelcy of a regiment and was discharged with honor; his mother died at Romeo (Michigan) in 1871"

Father: [Peter Sutherland](#) b: 20 Feb 1756 in Probably Great Nine, Dutchess Co, NY

Mother: [Carol Bush](#) b: Bef 1754 in Probably Rutland, VT

Marriage 1 [Naomi Cooley](#) b: 6 Oct 1788 in Pittsford, Rutland, VT; daughter of Benjamin N. Cooley III and Mary Needham

Married: 6 Jan 1807 in Pittsford, Rutland Co, Vermont ^{3 1}

Children

1. [Benjamin Cooley Sutherland](#) b: 17 Jan 1808 in Sutherland Falls, Rutland Co, Vermont
2. [Benjamin Cooley Sutherland](#) b: 18 Jun 1810 in Sutherland Falls, Rutland Co, Vermont
3. [Andrew Cooley Sutherland](#) b: 4 Jun 1812 in Sutherland Falls, Rutland Co, Vermont
4. [Carroll Sutherland](#) b: 1 Mar 1814 in Cambria, Niagara Co, New York
5. [Fletcher Sutherland](#) b: 1 Mar 1816 in Pittsford, Rutland Co, Vermont
6. [Andrew Sutherland](#) b: 22 Jul 1818 in Cambria, Niagara Co, New York
7. [Naomi Dorothea Sutherland](#) b: 7 Sep 1822 in Cambria, Niagara Co, New York
8. [Byron A. Sutherland](#) b: 4 Feb 1824 in Cambria, Niagara Co, New York
9. [Addison Sutherland](#) b: 28 Jul 1826 in Cambria, Niagara Co, New York
10. [Susannah Sutherland](#) b: 7 Sep 1829 in Cambria, Niagara Co, New York

Andrew Sutherland b. 22 Jul 1818 in Cambria, Niagara Co, NY; d. 27 Feb 1891 in (probably) Macomb Co, Michigan

Parents: [Andrew Sutherland](#) b: 3 Sep 1776 in Sutherland Falls, Rutland, VT; [Naomi Cooley](#) b: 6 Oct 1788 in Pittsford, Rutland, VT

Married [Mary McLean](#) 7 Aug 1848

Bro. William A. Sutherland married Inez L. Jackson, 7 Mar 1878. In the 1880 Census, he and his wife Inez, appear on the Census roles as follows (in bold type below), where they were either residing or visiting (at Henry K. Scoville's Hotel?) at the time:

Census Place, Mount Morris, Livingston, New York

Henry K. SCOVILLE	Self	S	Male	W	44	NY	Hotel Keeper	CT	NY
Mark L. SCOVILLE	Brother	S	Male	W	46	NY	Clerk In Hotel	CT	NY
Ann SCOVILLE	Sister	S	Female	W	49	NY		CT	NY

Helen SCOVILLE	Niece	S	Female	W	24	NY	Domestic Servant	NY	NY
Riley SCOVILLE	Nephew	S	Male	W	39	NY	Servant	NY	NY
S. L. ROCKFELLOW	Other	M	Male	W	53	NY	Supt. Of Mfg. Co.	NJ	NJ
Julia ROCKFELLOW	Other	M	Female	W	47	NY		NOVA SCOTIA	VT
Anna ROCKFELLOW	Other	S	Female	W	14	NY	At School	NY	NY
W. A. SUTHERLAND	Other	M	Male	W	31	NY	Lawyer	NY	NY
Inez J. SUTHERLAND	Other	M	Female	W	25	NY		NY	NY
J. E. COX	Other	M	Male	W	50	NY	Cigar Maker	IRE	IRE

Fletcher Sutherland, uncle of M'.W'. Bro. William A. Sutherland, and his nieces, the seven famous Sutherland Sisters of Lockport, NY.



Fletcher Sutherland b. 1 Mar 1816 in Pittsford, Rutland Co, VT; d. 6 Sep 1888 in Cambria, Niagara Co, NY

Note: Naomi's father, Col. Benjamin Cooley, died in Pittsford, Vermont 27 Feb 1810. Her husband and she returned to Pittsford early in 1816 to settle her father's estate and it was while they were there that Fletcher was born. Thus the apparent anomaly of having Fletcher's younger brother, Carroll, and the rest of his elder siblings born in Cambria, NY while he was born in Vermont.

Father: [Andrew Sutherland](#) b: 3 Sep 1776 in Sutherland Falls, Rutland Co, Vermont

Mother: [Naomi Cooley](#) b: 6 Oct 1788 in Pittsford, Rutland Co, Vermont

Marriage 1 [Mary Brink](#) b: Abt 1820 in Lyons, Wayne Co, NY
Children, all born at the 'Sunderland Farm' in Cambria (near Lockport), Niagara Co., NY; all sisters buried at Glenwood Cemetery, Lockport, NY, except Victoria:

For more about these sisters, and many more photos, see:

http://www.rapunzelsdelight.com/images/sut/sutherland_sisters.htm

Mary Fletcher Sutherland	b: ca 1846; d. 12 May 1939
Sarah Naomi Sutherland	b: ca 1845/48; 9 Sep 1919, age 74
Victoria Sutherland	b: ca 1849; 25 May 1902, age 53
Isabella Cooley Sutherland	b: ca 1852; d. 1 Dec 1914; age 62
Grace Sutherland	b: ca 1853/54; d. 13 Jan 1946, age 92
Charles Carrol Sutherland	b: ca 1852/54
Naomi Sutherland	b: ca 1856; d. 13 Jul 1893, age 35
Dora 'Kitty' Sutherland	b: Abt 1858
Mary Sutherland	b: Abt 1859

See also, "Introducing the Amazing Seven Sutherland Sisters" at:

<http://www.sideshowworld.com/tgod7sutherlands.html>

The Sutherlands might not have been as successful without the help of Merchant's Gargling Oil king (**M'.W'. Bro.**) **John Hodge (Grand Master, 1894** – see above), who operated successfully at the turn of the century when western New York was a popular base of pharmaceutical manufacturing.

Phoenix Lodge No. 115, Dansville, New York

WARRANT: 18 Aug 1846.

First Officers:

Merritt Brown, Master. John Culbertson, Senior Warden. Javan Bradley, Junior Warden.

MASTERS.

1846-48. Merritt Brown.	1877. James S. Murdock.	1899. Charles W. Woolever.	1932-34 J. Raymond Bressler
1849. Javan Bradley.	1878. Byron T. Squires.	1900. Charles W. Woolever.	1935. Elmer L. C. Haisch
1851. Merritt Brown.	1879. Elmer F. Hamsher.	1901. B. H. Ohendorf.	1936. Ray M. Finch
1853-54. John A. Vanderlip.	1880. James H. Jackson.	1902-05. Frank P. Magee.	1937-38. Harold V. Robards
1856. A. J. Peck.	1881-82. John C. Wheaton.	1906-09. Samuel F. Consalus	1939. Dana W. Wells
1857. Zerah H. Blake.	1883. George C. Stone.	1910-11. Peter W. Kershner	1940-41. Frank J. Walsworth
1858. Harmon Jones.	1884. Archibold H. Lemen.	1912-13. Elmer R. Griswold	1942-43. Ralph H. Smith
1859. William A. Roberts.	1885. Archibold H. Lemen.	1914-15. Henry B. McNair	1944. Floyd W. Barrett
1860. Henry Hartman.	1886. Charles V. Patchin.	1916-17. Frank H. Waltman	1945-46. John C. Collister
1861-64. Stephen Brayton.	1887. James Lindsay.	1918-19. Charles S. Moose	1947-48. Walter H. Shutt
1865-66. Henry Hartman.	1888-90 A. Percival Burkhart	1919-23. W. Scott Oberdorf	1949. Carl A. Forsythe
1867-68. John A. Vanderlip.	1891. Ova R. Stone.	1924. Herbert G. Hartman	1950. W. Arch MacIntyre
1869-71. Abram Lozier.	1892-93 A. Percival Burkhart	1925-26. Walter A. Sorg	1951. L. Howard Hartman
1872-73. Nicholas Schu.	1894-95. George L. Krein.	1927-28. Charles T. Lemen	1952. LeMonte Redmond
1874. William J. LaRue.	1896. A. Percival Burkhart.	1929. Harry VanMiddlesworth	1953. Donald Rollins
1875-76. Henry Hartman.	1897-98. George L. Krein.	1930-31. Louis D. Rhind	1954. George Karns

1955. William Fredenberg	1963. Edgar W. Allen	1971. David Whiteman	1980. Harold Culbertson
1956. Robert Wiard	1964. Gordon Nichols	1972-73. William Meter	1981. Clyde Sterner
1957. Vincent Whiteman	1965. Robert Dixon	1974. Harold Saeger	1982. Harold Culbertson
1958. Howard Thompson	1966. Larry Whiteman	1975. Richard E. Eades	1983. William Huver
1959. Scott Traxler	1967. Allan O. Cragg	1976. H. Dean Airy	
1960. Harold Oakley	1968. Walter F. Pryor	1977. Donald Traxler	
1961. Kenneth M. Alexander	1969. Thomas F. Kuhn	1978. Richard Shutt	
1962. Charles Culbertson	1970. Donald E. Myers	1979. David Whiteman	

GRAND LODGE OFFCIERS

1876-77. William J. LaRue, DDGM	1940-41. Ray Finch, DDGM	1976-77. George Karns, DDGM
1894-95. A. Percival Burkhard, DDGM	1949-50. Frank J. Walsworth, DDGM	1977-78. Vincent Whiteman, GS
1918-20. Charles V. Patchin, DDGM	1958-59. Robert Wiard, DDGM	1978-80. Charles Culbertson, AGL, DSA
1927-28. W. Scott Oberdorf, DDGM	1964-65. Walter Shutt, GSB	1980-81. H. Dean Airy, GS
1932-33. Louis Rhind, DDGM	1967-68. L. Howard Hartman, DDGM	

Mount Morris Lodge No. 122, Mount Morris, New York

Warrant: 5 Jun 1875.

The first number was 316; it became No. 122 in 1847.

MINUTES: All minutes previous to the year 1855 were destroyed by fire.

Mount Morris Lodge, No. 316, was organized in 1818, and as all and papers relating to this Lodge are missing, but little is known its affairs; even the time when it ceased to work is unknown.

It was in existence until about the year 1826, and, in all probability, it suffered the fate of others which were forced to succumb to the bitter hatred and persecution occasioned by the Morgan affair.

Charter Members:

Abraham Camp.	David A. Miller.
Enos T. Baldwin.	Horatio Reed.
Eli Lake.	David A. Person.
John Conroy.	Aaron Adams.
Philetus Reynolds. .	Jacob Reynolds.

It was not until the winter of 1846-47 that a successful effort was made to revive Masonry in Mount Morris. On March 4, 1847, a petition was prepared, asking for a dispensation, which was issued, and at a session of the Grand Lodge, held June 3, 1847, the Committee on Warrants reported that the dispensation had been returned, and recommended that a warrant be granted. On June 9, 1847, the warrant was granted.

The signers to the petition were:

William D. Morgan.	John Vernam.
Joseph Favor.	Eli Lake.
Alfred Dean.	Henry Maxwell.
Ebenezer Damon.	Elias B. Driggs.
Walker M. Hinman.	Prentice Pendleton.
George G. Williams.	David A. Miller.

The charter named as officers:

William D. Morgan, Master;
Henry Maxwell, Senior Warden;
Walker M. Hinman, Junior Warden.

The petition had the indorsement of Phoenix Lodge, No. 115, signed by:

M. Brown, Master;
Javan Bradley, Senior Warden;
Joseph W. Richardson, Junior Warden;
Jervis P. Beach, Secretary.

THE DISPENSATION.

"By the Most Worshipful John D. Willard, Grand Master of Masons of the State of New York:

"WHEREAS, It has been represented to me that BROS. WILLIAM D. MORGAN, JOHN VERNAM, JOSEPH FAVOR, ELI LAKE, A. J. DEAN, HENRY MAXWELL, E. DAMON, ELIAS B. DRIGGS, WALKER M. HINMAN, PRENTICE PENDLETON, GEORGE G. WILLIAMS and DAVID A. MILLER, Master Masons of Mount Morris, in this State are desirous of being formed into a Lodge and their Memorial to that effect being duly recommended by the officers of Phoenix Lodge, No. 115, of Dansville, and the several petitioners vouched for by our well-known and Worshipful Brother, MERRITT BROWN, as worthy and well qualified Master Masons.

THEREFORE BE IT KNOWN: That I, having full confidence in the aforesaid brethren, and being desirous of extending the light and advantages of a well regulated Lodge to said brethren and those who may be found worthy to unite with them in sustaining the Masonic Institution in its useful and honorable work, do hereby authorize and empower the petitioners aforesaid to meet together as a regular Lodge of Master Masons, admit members, form a code of by-laws and do all such acts and things as have been and ought to be done by Lodges under dispensation, and for this purpose I do hereby appoint our Worthy and Well-beloved Brother, WILLIAM D. MORGAN, Master; HENRY MAXWELL, Senior Warden, and WALKER M. HINMAN, Junior Warden, of said Lodge, to be held in the town of Mount Morris, in the County of Livingston, in this State, to be known as Mount Morris Lodge, until the first day of June, A.D. 1847, A.L. 5847, or until the dispensation for any irregularity in the conduct of said Lodge, be recalled by me or by the Grand Lodge at any intermediate time, and I do hereby enjoin upon said Mount Morris Lodge a strict observance of the Constitution and regulations of the Grand Lodge, and I direct that previous to, or on the first Tuesday of June next, this dispensation be returned to the Grand Secretary, with a copy of the records of the Lodge, their by-laws and a registry return of members and the amount of dues accruing thereon, with the names in full in a plain hand for registry.

Given at the City of Troy and sealed with my private seal on
the 30th day of March A.D. 1847, A.L. 5847.

By the Most Worshipful Grand Master,
JOHN D. WILLARD, *Grand Master*.

Attest:

R. R. BOYD, *Grand Secretary*.

The Lodge first met in the Green Building, remaining here several years, when it moved to the Empire Block; on June 22, 1873, this building was destroyed by fire and the Lodge lost all of its property, including the warrant.

The Grand Lodge ordered a duplicate warrant June 5, 1875.

The next meeting place was in the Eagle Block, where it remained until December, 1873, when it moved to the Mills Block, remaining here but a short time when it returned to the restored Empire Block.

On February 10, 1889, this building was again destroyed by fire, and the Lodge was for the second time without a home, its property gone up in smoke and flame.

Shortly after this the Lodge secured quarters in the Mayer Block, where it remained until June 1896, when it again moved, this time to quarters which had been especially designed for its use in the building known as the Masonic Block; these quarters were dedicated by M. W. WILLIAM A. SUTHERLAND June 29, 1896.

The Lodge has been unfortunate in losses by fire. In 1854 its first warrant was burned in a fire, and its present warrant is the third one it has had since 1847.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

William A. Sutherland, Grand Master.
Charles W. Bingham, Jr. Grand Deacon.

MASTERS.

1847. William D. Morgan.	1882. W. H. Humphrey.	1917. William C. Cooper	1952. Herbert T. Ranney
1848. Henry Maxwell.	1883. W. H. Humphrey.	1918. Herbert T. Ranney	1953. S. Winfield Bush
1849. William D. Morgan.	1884. William A. Sutherland .	1919. Alonzo Jenks	1954. Robert F. Miller
1850. John N. Hurlburt.	1885. Charles W. Bingham.	1920. Rev. Percy Isherwood	1955. Frank H. Bryant
1851. Elias B. Driggs.	1886. Charles W. Bingham.	1921. Francis McConnell	1956. Harry N. Mann
1852. Judson C. Goodrich.	1887. F. S. Peer.	1922. George W. Richmond	1957. Ray C. Briggs
1853. Henry Wells.	1888. John M. Hastings.	1923. O. B. Dow	1958. Elmer Pfeil
1854. Lorin Coy.	1889. Lewis O. Santmire.	1924. Harry S. Smith	1959. Clair H. Bryant
1855. John Vernam.	1890. Lewis O. Santmire.	1925. Charles Palmer	1960. Charles S. Stoker
1856. John Vernam.	1891. John H. Burtis.	1926. J. Fred Rebban	1961. Walter McCaughey
1857. Charles L. Bingham.	1892. John H. Burtis.	1927. William Fraser	1962. Samuel Seltzer
1858. Charles L. Bingham.	1893. Frank B. Dodge.	1928. William Fraser	1963. Samuel Sanderson
1859. Charles L. Bingham.	1894. Frank B. Dodge.	1929. J. C. Partidge	1964. Francis Stanley
1860. Charles L. Bingham.	1895. Edward R. Creveling.	1930. Charles M. Richmond	1965. Albert Cleave
1861. Archibald McArthur.	1896. Thomas Hudson.	1931. Walter L. Strait	1966. William Preble
1862. McNeil Seymour.	1897. Thomas Hudson.	1932. LeRoy Goodrich	1967. G. Russell Bolt
1863. McNeil Seymour.	1898. F. H. Moyer.	1933. Warren W. Shamp	1968. Arthur Masten
1864. James Yeomans.	1899. F. H. Moyer.	1934. Jacobus O. Terpstra	1969. James Judd
1865. James Yeomans.	1900. John C. Dickey.	1935. Roscoe Conklin	1970. James Staley
1866. Lorin Coy	1901. William Povall.	1936. Donald Dickinson	1971. George M. Casteel
1867. James Yeomans.	1902. Charles W. Welton.	1937. William Trader	1972. William R. Jackson
1868. Theodore T. Swan.	1903. Harry R. Porter.	1938. George M. Doolittle	1973. Paul Ressler
1869. James Yeomans.	1904. Albert C. Olp.	1939. Burt E. Jones	1974. George M. Casteel
1870. James Yeomans.	1905. Frederick J. Bowen.	1940. John H. Bryant	1975. William R. Jackson
1871. Charles W. Stephens.	1906. Francis McConnell.	1941. Fred H. Mills	1976. Paul Ressler
1872. James Yeomans.	1907. F. A. Culley	1942. Clarence R. Willard	1977. Robert Reynolds
1873. James Yeomans.	1908. Alfred A. Cavers	1943. Chester B. Rice	1978. George M. Casteel
1874. James Yeomans.	1909. Clarence Foote	1944. Burt E. Jones	1979. Patrick Sheedy
1875. James Yeomans.	1910. L. Quereau Starr	1945. Reed Kyle	1980. Lowell Dennison
1876. James Yeomans.	1911. Edward W. Creveling	1946. James M. Alexander	1981. Francis J. Terry
1877. Lorin Coy.	1912. Lewis J. Lockwood	1947. Carlton A. Dunn	1982. Larry Chiappone
1878. W. H. Humphrey.	1913. Charles P. Styles	1948. G. Emerson Learn	1983. Gary Beardsley
1879. W. H. Humphrey.	1914. Rev. George Price	1949. George E. Richardson	
1880. James Yeomans.	1915. Charles F. Braman	1950. Glenn M. Green	
1881. H. M. Dayfoot.	1916. C. Ward Finley	1951. Miller J. Carmichael	

Grand Lodge Officers

William A. Sutherland, GM 1897-98

(He was member of Frank R. Lawrence Lodge at the time of being GM; see Union Lodge No. 45 above for his biography)

11 Oct 1870 Raised in Union Lodge, No. 45, at Lima, NY; Junior Warden of Union Lodge in 1873

1884 **Master of Mount Morris Lodge, No. 122**

1889 First Master of Frank R. Lawrence Lodge, No. 797

Clarence A. Foote, JGW, 1909-10

Charles W. Bingham, JGD

Rev. George E. Price, GC

William G. Preble, GSB, 1974-75

William Jackson, DSA, 1978

Lowell Dennison, DSA, 1982

Stuart Winfield Bush, GrRep, Victoria, Australia, 1981-82

Samuel Seltzer, Livingston Medal

Burt E. Jones, AGL, 1945-46

G. Russell Bolt, AGL, 1958-64

1910-11 William H. Povall, DDGM,

1920-21 Alfred E. Cavers, DDGM

1929-30 William C. Cooper, DDGM

1937-38 Jacobus O. Terpstra, DDGM

1946-47 Charles A. Palmer, DDGM

1956-57 Glenn M. Green DDGM

1964-65 Harry N. Mann, DDGM

1973-74 Samuel Sanderson, DDGM

1982-83 Robert B. Reynolds, DDGM

THE PICKET LINE POST, MOUNT MORRIS, NY - 5 Apr1941/42

<http://fultonhistory.com/newspaper%2010/Mt.%20Morris%20NY%20Picket%20Line%20Post/Mt.%20Morris%20NY%20Picket%20Line%20Post%201940-1941%20Grayscale/Mt.%20Morris%20NY%20Picket%20Line%20Post%201940-1941%20Grayscale%20-%200108.pdf>

CLARENCE A. FOOTE.

Prominent Mount Morris Resident and Contractor Passes.

Clarence A. Foote, 79, one of the oldest and best known, residents of Mount Morris, died at his home in Murray street Sunday evening, after an illness of several months. Born on a farm, in the town of Mt. Morris, May 12, 1860, a son of Norman and Emily Foote, he gained his education in district schools and, at Nunda High School; where he graduated.

He studied architecture and for many years was engaged in the contracting business, during a part of that time as senior member, of the firm, of C. A. Foote & Son.

Under the direction of Mr. Foote a number of the finest structures in the village were built, including the Masonic Temple, the new High school building and the new Methodist Church; as well as the children's building for the Mt. Morris Tuberculosis Hospital group, a number of buildings for the Craig Company at Sonyea and the Perpy High School. He also built a number of residences in the village, including three houses near the corner of Murray and Stanley streets, on a site purchased from the Estate of Hiram P. Mills

The firm of C. A. Foote & Son was engaged in highway construction, having built a number of state roads in Western and Central New York, including the road from Groveland Station to Hampton Corners and the concrete pavement from Perry to Perry Center.'

His fraternal affiliations were with the Masonic Order, in which he was a 32d degree Mason, a Knight Templar; a Noble of the Mystic Shrine, and he had also served as Master of Ceremonies of the Grand Lodge. He had been a member of Mount Morris Lodge many years, having served that body as Master and in various other official capacities, as well as having had a prominent part in making the Masonic Temple possible. He was also a member and Past Worthy Patron of Mary Jamison Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

His political views found him a home in the Republican Party, and as such he served most efficiently as Mayor of the village. During the World War he was fuel administrator for Livingston County, as well as being active in Red Cross work.

April 16, 1884, Mr. Foote was married to Stella Olney of Dalton, and they observed their golden wedding anniversary in 1934. Mrs. Foote, died several years ago, and Mr. Foote is survived by three children: Olney N. Foote of Mount Morris. Mrs. Ward B. Gowdy of Dansville and Mrs. Kenyon Warner of Geneseo; six grandchildren and two brothers, Fred Foote of Mount Morris and Frank Foote of Nunda. Burial was in Mount Morris Cemetery.

Geneseo Lodge No. 214, Geneseo, New York

Warrant: 14 Mar 1851

Charter Members:

Edward Hammett – He was raised in Massachusetts, where his father was Grand Master and received his degrees while visiting his father there. Edward was an agent for James S. Wadsworth.

Daniel Bissell – Daniel's father was a spy for General Washington:

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daniel_Bissell_\(spy\)](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daniel_Bissell_(spy))

Daniel Bissell b. 30 Dec 1754; d. 5 Aug 1824) was a soldier and spy for the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War. He was born to Daniel and Elizabeth Bissell in East Windsor, Hartford, CT, in 1754 and enlisted on 7 Jul 1775, as a Fifer in the 8th Connecticut Regiment, and on 1 Apr 1776, signed on for the duration as a corporal in the 5th Connecticut Regiment. He became a sergeant on 1 Sep 1777, and ended the war with the 2nd Connecticut Regiment.

Under the direct orders of General George Washington, Bissell posed as a deserter in the city of New York from 14 Aug 1781 to 29 Sep 1782. He realized that to get the information Washington needed, he would have to join the British Army: for 13 months, he served in the British Infantry Corps led by Benedict Arnold. Bissell memorized everything he was able to find out and then made his way back to friendly lines where he was placed under arrest until Washington verified his story. Sergeant Bissell was able to furnish valuable information including detailed maps he drew of the enemy's positions. He was to become the last recipient of the [Badge of Military Merit](#) in June 1783, one of only three awarded by Washington himself.



The award was lost in a house fire in 1813, and Bissell died in Richmond, NY, in 1824, where he is buried at Allens Hill Cemetery. His tombstone is inscribed, "Daniel Bissell, Died August 5, 1824, Aged 70 Years, He had the confidence of Washington and served under him."

Henry Chamberlain
James Clark
Jacob Hall

E. H. Perkins
Walter Smith
Andrew W. Teal

Duty F. Thompson
David Wattles
William W. Williams

James Wood

Morning Star Lodge No. 295, Nunda, New York

Letter: 7 Jul 1817 from Warsaw, New York, to His Ex. DeWitt Clinton:

"In reply to your letter of the 17th Jun last on the subject of a petition for a new Lodge in the town of Nunda (Allegany Co) I would inform you that the name mentioned the petitioned for the dispensation was "Morning Star" the fist officers 'Thomas Dole Master – Samuel Patch Senior Warden and Eli Murray Junior Warden"

I am Sir with respect
Your obt. Servt –
Almon Stevens

Warrant: 1 Aug 1817

Forfeit: 5 Jun 1834

Although the Lodge was warranted at Nunda, the returns are dated from Pike. It seems that Pike was a part of Nunda from Mar 1808 until Mar 1818 when it was set off as a separate town.

Return from 30 Dec 1817 to 24 Jun 1818 (combined and alphabetized from two Returns):

<u>Member</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Lodge in which Initiated</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Charter Members: joined 30 Dec 1817			
Burroughs, Mathew			
Clough, Bayley (Bailey)			
Caldwell, Daniel	New Hampshire	Benevolent, NH	
Dennis, George			withdrew 18 Jun
Dole, Thomas	New Hampshire	Olive Branch, VT	Master
Farrington, Joseph		Olive Branch	withdrew Nov 1818
Farrington, William			removed Jul 1818
Flint, George	Canajoharie	Hartwick, U. D.	Secretary 1819
Griffith, Ebenezer	Whitehall	(Raised 18 Jun 1818)	
Hinman, Anson	Whitehall	Jefferson 164	Secretary 1818
Hunt(e)y, Amos		Olive Branch	
Langdon, Phillip			removed Feb 1819
Mills, George			
Mills, Pelatiah			
Murry, Eli		Olive Branch 244	
Murry, Ira		Olive Branch 244	
Newcomb, Zal(l)u	CT	Hamilton 144	'Zalie'
Patch, Samuel	Vermont	Olive Branch 244	
Robinson, Amos		Angelica	removed 1 May
Streeter, Joseph			
Trowbridge, Asel (Asahel)		Olive Branch 244	
Wells, Jonathan	Rhode Island	Otsego 41	

Other Member:

Burnell, Samuel
Hurd, Justis L. (Raised 18 Jun 1818)
Marsh, Samuel (Initiated 14 May)
Olin, Jacob H.
Ormisby, Jeremiah
Powers, Joshua removed Jan 1819
Smith Richard (Raised 18 Jun)

Return from 24 Jun 1818 to 24 Jun 1819 [who did not appear above]:

<u>Member</u>	<u>Place of Birth</u>	<u>Lodge in which Initiated</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Beach, Dan			'joined'
Gillett, Titus		13 Aug 1818	removed
Holland, Jacob H.			
Rockwell, Timothy		10 Jul 1818	

Thomas Dole, b. New Hampshire; resided in Pike, NY; initiated in Olive Branch Lodge, Vermont. In March 1985 a query was received at Grand Lodge regarding a Mrs. D. M. Francis who, with her husband, were in the process of restoring a house built between 1813 and 1820. The house was built by 'Judge' and/or 'General' Thomas Dole on East Coy Road at Newcomb Road. In an upper room there was stenciling, rather faded, which appeared to be Masonic in design. Tradition in the area had it that in the early 1900s the house was a meeting place for Masons in the area.

http://www.angelfire.com/co3/morgan/history_research.html

ABOUT ZEBULON HILL - In local history, our house is known as the "Thomas Dole House" (or the "General Dole House," or "that big haunted house up on the hill"), named for the man who built it. We thought it would be fun to also come up with a name we could make our own, hence "Zebulon Hill." Our town, Pike, was named for [Zebulon Montgomery Pike](#), the frontiersman who named Pikes Peak, the 14,110' mountain outside Colorado Springs. It was one of the best places Jake and I visited while we lived out there. So using Pike's first name for our house made a good connection to Colorado.

HISTORICAL RESEARCH - We haven't had much time to do a lot of research about the house yet. We think that what looks like an addition off the back of the house was the original house on the property, circa 1811. The main house was built around 1820. We know some about the original owner, much of it from an article in the county historical society newsletter.

Thomas Dole, a Brigadier General in the New York State militia during the War of 1812, was the original builder and owner. He and some family members are buried in a little cemetery down the road about 1/4 mile. According to the Pike Town Historian, Dole held town meetings and, so we've heard, Masonic meetings in the house. There are also (as of yet unsubstantiated) stories about the house being a stop on the Underground Railroad.

A CONVERSATION WITH THE PIKE TOWN HISTORIAN – 21 Jan 2001

About a week ago, the Pike Town Historian, Lunamae Flint, stopped by to introduce herself and meet the new owners of the Dole House. It had been years since she had been inside and I was glad to give her a tour. We talked a lot about the house as she remembered it, the previous owners she had known, and of what she knew about General Dole.

Dole was a general in the militia, not in the Regular Army. He was also a County Judge, and many of the locals refer to him as Judge Dole, not General Dole. Warsaw was not the county seat as it is now, and Dole had a full day's horseback ride to the county courthouse, in a town whose name escapes me at the moment. Lunamae spoke of Masonic meetings held in the house, but it was not clear that Dole was the connection; it may have been another resident.

Dole also loved to fish, and had a fish pond dug on the property (unfortunately this pond, or what remains of it, is not on the property we now own. Rumor has it that he was buried facing this favorite fishing spot. Dole originally owned at least 112 acres (according to an 1830 survey), which was the acreage sold by Marsena and Eliza Drake (probably the second owners) to Wellington Griffith in 1878. This is the first entry on the title abstract, presumably because such abstracts were not kept before then.

Lunamae told me that she was in possession of the original stencils used to decorate the rooms. They were given to her by a previous owner who had not wanted them. It's exciting to think that they are still intact and they will provide us an excellent starting point for decorating. Lunamae and her sister used these same stencils to recreate period walls in another local house, the Griffith House, located on what is now the Wyoming County Fairgrounds in Pike. I scanned in an article that Jake's grandmother let me borrow from an August 1985 edition of the Wyoming County Times. Click [here](#) to read it, but a warning: the image will take a bit longer to load since it is about 200KB.

ARTICLE ABOUT THE HOUSE FROM HISTORICAL WYOMING – 21 Apr 2001

The Thos. Dole House in Pike, by H. M. Bower, Town Historian

(On a commanding site about ½ mile from Pike on the Pike-East Koy Road.)

From Historical Wyoming, the newsletter of the Wyoming County Historical Society, May 1948, page 74

Thomas Dole, one of the hardy pioneers of Pike, built a house in what was then largely a wooded country and sparsely settled. This house has been in some ways modernized but the main part is unchanged. The upper story is made up of one of the old time ballrooms, three bedrooms and a hallway. A great old chimney built of stone starts in the cellar. Eight fireplaces—four on each floor are still in evidence. The largest of these fireplaces is in the living room, the next in size is in the room in which Mr. Dole had his office. The others are all of about the same size. Over each of these fireplaces is a heavy mantel and with the exception of the living room, all have hand moldings which are a fine illustration of the skill in hand work of the past. Over the fireplace in the office is a beautiful scroll work figure. The ballroom, spoken of above was **built with a spring floor**. It was the scene of many a joyous occasion. There are people in Pike who have attended dances in this old ballroom and some of the musicians who officiated are still with us. Looking at the structure you will see over the front door the beautiful fan-shaped figure. That strength and stability that were in the mind of the builder are evidenced by the heavy timbers and solid walls of its foundations.

The farm on which this house stands has been successively owned by Marcine Drake, Wellington Griffith, and Charles Vallance. It has been the home of Henry Vallance for many years.

Now that you have a mental picture of this historic house erected well over 100 years ago, we are sure the reader would like to know something about the pioneer who planned it and supervised its erection with such care that only the best materials were used in its construction. It is said that while it was being built if he discovered that a poor piece of lumber was used, he was angered and insisted in no uncertain terms that it be discarded.

In the Wyoming County history we find that Thomas Dole was one of the early pioneers to settle in the vicinity of Pike, receiving his deed to Lot 27 in 1811 from the Holland Land Co. In 1817, he was appointed one of a committee of five to petition the Legislature to divide the town of Nunda and set up the four western townships: Pike, Eagle, Hume, and Centerville, under the name of Pike township, then a part of Allegany County. This action was consummated by act of the Legislature on 18 Mar 1818, and the action was taken at the request of the people of Nunda. In 1818, he was elected supervisor of the Town of Pike, one of the overseers of

the poor, and was also one of three to hold the office of Commissioner of Common Schools. At one time Mr. Dole was a merchant in Pike, a member of the firm of Thomas Dole and A(nson). P. Hinman. On 10 Apr 1818 an act was passed appointing Thomas Dole as one of three commissioners "to lay out a road on the west side of the Genesee River through the Caneadea Indian Reservation and to agree with the Indians owning and possessing such land, for their reasonable damages for said road passing through their improved lands, \$1,000.00 was appropriated for the purpose" (from History of Allegany County).

In addition to the 360 acres in the Lot 27 which he bought from the Holland Land Co., he also acquired Lot No. 3, also 360 acres near Eagle Center, making 1080 acres; in addition to which he owned other considerable holdings. He operated a distillery on his lands near his residence and also a saw mill and grist mill on the East Koy [Creek], both of which were run by water power.

Thomas Dole was born in Vermont [New Hampshire] in 1778. He died 24 Apr 1842 at the age of 64 years. He was buried in a private burying ground on his own farm near the highway on what is now called the Vincent farm. His burial place overlooks the location where he had a private fishing pond. By his side are buried his first wife, Anna, and also his second wife, Mercy. In this same little cemetery is buried his first son, Sumner Dole, born in Windham, VT, in 1806, died 10 May 1853, aged 47 years.

Thomas Dole was a man of many parts. He possessed great strength and vitality as well as great ability. We are told that in the busiest part of his life he would spend his entire day many times on his homework and then go on horseback at night to Angelica in order to be on hand for court duties the next morning [he was a county judge]. It is said that he was once heard to remark that he hoped to clear off enough land so that a crow could not fly over it in a day. The inscription on the monument [in the cemetery] speaks of him as General Thomas Dole. The Wyoming County History, published in 1880, states that he was a brigadier general in 1822 [prob. a brig. Gen. In the local militia during the War of 1812].

THE FAMILY CEMETERY – 21 Apr 2001

Dole Cemetery, Pike - From Historical Wyoming, *the newsletter of the Wyoming County Historical Society, April 1954, p. 96.*

This private plot is located on the Henry Vallance farm on the Pike-East Koy road.

DOLE FAMILY

General Thomas Dole b. 1778 in VT(NH); d. 11 Apr 1842, age 64
 Anna, his wife b. ca 1777 in Sterling, Worcester Co., MA; d. 31 Oct 1824, age 47
 Mercy, his wife, b. ca 1802; d. 14 Nov 1873, age 71
 Sumner, son of Thomas and Anna b. 1806 in Windham, VT; d. 10 May 1873, age 47
 Hannah, wife of Sumner, d. Dec. 30, 1863, age 48y 10m
 Mercy Dole b. 1837; d. 1873, age 36
 Infant son of Sumner & Hannah, d. 10 Apr 1829
 Mercy, daughter of Sumner & Hannah, d. 29 Jan 1836, age 3y 10m
 Judge, son of Sumner & Hannah, d. 19 Jan 1842, age 1y _m 15d
 In memory of two infant son twins, children of Thomas and Mercy Dole, d. 3 Oct 1825

THOMAS DOLE'S WILL – 25 Apr 2001 - Found in the files at the Wyoming County Historian's Office

Summary of will:

1. ...Pay for the services of my last sickness and my funeral and all just debts...
2. to Mercy—my dwelling house and 169 acres in Pike...lands made for me by James Reed on 14 July 1830...when Mercy dies, lands divided between Sylvia, Harriet, and Jenette and the children and heirs of my son Benjamin and Sumner and of my daughter Cynthia, share and share alike...
3. to the children and heirs of Benjamin 214 acres in Pike
4. to Sylvia 239 acres in Pike
5. to the children of Sumner... 162 acres in Pike
6. to Harriet 225 acres in Eagle and Pike
7. to Jenette 173 acres in Pike
8. there was no # eight::
9. to Mercy, Harriet, and Jenette all my household goods: beds, bedsteads, and bedding, all clothing, furniture of every sort to be equally divided between them. To Mercy—

-1 yoke of oxen	-1 crowbar	-1 wire-bound (?) ax (?) sled
-1 cart	-1 shovel	-1 horse sled
-1 span (?) of horses	-1 spade	-1 cutter
-a 2 horse waggon and harness	-1 hoe	-1 patent hive and bees
-4 horses	-1 dung fork	-2 axes
-20 sheep	-2 pitch forks	-1 hand saw, square and compasses
-2 one-horse waggons and harness	-1 syth [sic], _____, and tackling	-1 inch and one half, one five quarter and
-1 plough	-1 cradle syth [sic] and tackling	one inch auger
-2 chains	- _____ rakes	-1 pot
-1 scraper	-1 side saddle	-1 kettle
-1 winged drag	-1 bridle	
10. to Harriet and Jenette each 2 cows and all the cows and sheep heretofore let out by me
11. to the children of Benjamin Dole 2 horses each one to share alike. I also give to the youngest son of my son Benjamin one pair of Brass Pistols
12. to my granddaughter Mercy Dole 1 cow...to my grandson H_____ Dole 1 gun cartridge box, bayonet, and belt and to my grandson Thomas Dole one rifle and bullet mould and powder flask

13. to the 2 youngest children of Benjamin Dole all the household furniture owned by me being in the house of my son Benjamin in the city of Buffalo purchased at sheriff sale. Also the horse buggy waggon and harness, cutter, piano, _____, and gold watch owned by me and now in the possession of my son Benjamin at Buffalo.

14. Whereas I own a store of goods in Buffalo and have employed my son Benjamin as my agent to carry on said business...fronting on East Seneca Street...said goods and said lease...to the 3 children of my said son Benjamin

15. to Mercy—my silver watch, my clock, my bear skin, 4 tanned sheep skins with the wool on, and my large Bible

16. to my grandson Thomas D. Ellis my large silver mounted dirk

17. all the rest and residue of my property real and personal to Mercy, Sylvia, Harriet, Jenette, and the children of Benjamin and Sumner to share and share alike

Lastly, I appoint my friend Moses Smith of Pike executor...



Anson Hinman, born 13 Jun 1785, son of Lewis and Lucy (Adams) Hinman (married 25 Feb 1783 at Cambridge, NY), was for many years judge of the county court and was prominently identified with military matters, holding the rank of general in the state militia with Thomas Dole (Commandant), Amos Griffith (Captain) and Samuel Patch (Adjutant). He died ca 1831.

<http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/TROWBRIDGE/2001-08/0998839296>

Asahel Trowbridge (William¹²⁵, Daniel¹¹⁰, James¹⁰³, William¹⁰⁰, Thomas¹), b. 2 May 1780, in New Milford (in that part now Bridgewater), CT; d. 20 Mar 1859, in Lockport, NY; m1. 1806, Polly Hoyt, dau of Ezekiel and Mary (Weed) Hoyt, b. 17 Feb 1787, in CT; d. 17 Apr 1819, in Genesee county, NY; m2. 31 Oct 1819, in Pike, NY, Betsey (Murray) Doty, widow of Ira Doty of Pike and dau of Daniel and Elizabeth (Raymond) Murray, b. 27 Aug 1791, in Herkimer county, NY; d. 16 Sep 1867, in Napoleon, Ohio.

Asahel Trowbridge came to Tully, Onondaga, NY, with his father about 1795. Soon after his marriage he settled on a farm in that part of the town of Pompey which later became LaFayette. He was appointed county coroner by Gov. Morgan Lewis on 6 Apr 1807. He was the first Town 'Clark' of Nunda on 4 Apr 1809 and removed to a farm in Pike, Allegany county, where he lived until 1837, when he removed again and located in Wheatfield, Niagara county. In 1856 he left his farm and removed to Lockport, where he died four years later. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and of the Masonic fraternity.

Children born in LaFayette, NY (then a part of Pompey) by first marriage:

- i. Amanda, b. 28 Mar 1807; m. in 1832, Hiram Curtis of Binghamton, NY.
- ii. William Elecut, b. 19 Mar 1809.
- iii. Abigail, b. 12 May 1811; d. 14 Nov 1885, in Toledo, Ohio; unmarried.
- iv. Caroline, b. 11 Apr 1813; d. April 1, 1837, in Pike, NY; unmarried.
- v. Philander, b. September 27, 1815 (He was the authority for this family register).

Children born in Pike, NY by second marriage:

- vi. Mary Sophronia, b. 17 Aug 1820; m. 5 Oct 1841, Charles Stow Pierce of Wheatfield, NY and resided in Toledo, Ohio.
- vii. Lyman, b. 03 Dec 1822.
- viii. Demetrius Nash, b. 02 Jul 1825.
- ix. Helen Augusta, b. 10 Mar 1828; d. 19 Mar 1850, in Wheatfield; unmarried.
- x. Mortimer Asahel, b. 18 Jan 1834.

Above data is from The Trowbridge Genealogy, compiled by Francis Bacon Trowbridge, published in New Haven, CT. 1908.

Letter 19 May 1825:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of New York

The Memorial of Morning Star Lodge Number 295 if free and accepted Masons, humbly sheweth –

That the charter for establishing said Lodge was granted in December A.L. 5817 that the expenses and necessary disbursements of since that time have been nearly as follows –

For Jewels, tables, desk and other necessary furniture for the Lodge One hundred and forty dollars; for books and Stationary necessary for the same Twenty dollars; that the expenses of the Lodge yearly in providing a room necessary refreshments &c have been about Thirty dollars that the payments to the Grand Lodge for the first half year were regularly made since which time for the reasons hereafter mentioned we have been unable to remit to the Grand Lodge what we are satisfied is Justly due them.

Your Memorialists would respectfully suggest that at the time this Lodge was established the Country was new and thinly Settled and that the members that composed the Lodge at that time were generally poor and many of them Scarcely able to support their families; and that the money necessary to be raised in order to procure a charter was gratuitously bestowed by a few Individuals and such were the embarrassment under which the Lodge labored that for the four first years after its establishment its income was not sufficient to support and defray its expenses without paying anything over to the Grand Lodge.

Your Memorialists would further Suggest that heretofore on account of the extreme Scarcity of money it became necessary for the Lodge to take promissory notes from those who became members instead of receiving the money in hand which was required of them on becoming members and that a great number of those who gave notes as above mentioned and who were thought at that time perfectly responsible have Since become Insolvent and utterly unable to pay, and your memorialists can discover no means of enforcing the collection of the Same, and the quarterly dues of these and many others now remain unpaid notwithstanding the most vigilant means have been resorted to, to collect them.

Your Memorialists would further State that they were so unfortunate a few years Since as to have their Treasurer in whom they had hitherto placed the most implicit confidence leave the Country at the Same time taking and carrying away the funds of the Lodge at that time in his hands to a considerable amount and who went to the Western part of the United States where he has Since died without making any remittances, to loss of which money at that time was a Serious Injury to the Lodge and that the Lodge have hitherto been constrained in Some instances of Poor member, the amount of which together with the money carried away as above stated, the amount due for graduating fees quarterly dues and the notes above mentioned which never can be collected might be reasonably estimated at Two hundred and fifty dollars which is no less than depriving the Lodge of funds to that amount,

Accompanying this letter we Send the Grand Lodge Ten dollars upon the receipt of which we earnestly request the Grand Lodge to discharge us from all demands that they may have against this Lodge unto this time –

Submitting these facts to the Grand Lodge we most respectfully [sic] solicit you to take our case into consideration. We are well aware that we are asking a great favor but we do not think under the existing circumstances that our request is unreasonable, We certainly Should not make a request of this kind had we any expectation of making the remittance due the Grand Lodge. But from the facts above stated from the certainty that there is no possibility of collecting the notes above mentioned and other demands now due the Lodge from Some of the members; from the fact that in the very first commencement of our existence as a Lodge the whole fund hen in our possession were taken and carried away by our Treasurer and from which had they remained in our hand we Should have able to have made remittance in past and how our misfortune in loaning money in some instances which we have been unable to collect – we feel ourselves Justified in appearing before you to ask assistance. Should our request at this time be granted we think that in future we shall not be under the necessity of making a Similar application as the Lodge owe no other debt whatever and is in possession of the best of Jewels, furniture, books and clothing and all other implements necessary for a lodge at work and perhaps not exceeded by any in the Country, we would further State that there Seems to be more attention paid to it by the members and we believe that Such a class of youngerly men as now are members will in a Short period advance the credit and work of this Lodge to an equality if not a Superiority to any one in this Section of the State.

We further State that we Still continue to believe that it will not conduce to the good of Masonry to Charter a Lodge in the town of Centerville as we have heretofore Stated to the M. W. Grand Master, We would Suggest to the Grand Lodge that we believe there is harm done the Institution for one Lodge to initiate men from within the vicinity of another without notifying the same and are Sorry to State that it has already caused Some difficulty in the bands of the work and we find that Lodge newly chartered and more especially Some that work under a dispensation are most apt to adopt this error as has been the case Since to commencement of work in Centerville.

We have many letters from our leading brethren in New York inviting us to hail them as our Sovereign head; but we Consider that we never ceased to have one more Congenial to our views, and do still claim that Grand Lodge of whom our worthy Brother Joseph Enos is Grand Master; as our protector.

Luther Couch Sec.

Simon Capron W.M.

Eli Murray S.W.

Pike May 19, 5825

Ebenezer Griffith J.W.

NB. please send all communications to the Town of Pike insted of Nunda as the Town has long since been divided –

Letter 4 Jun 1828:

To the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honourable Fraternity of Free and accepted Masons of the State of New York

Worshipful Brethren

In compliance with the request of the Grand Secretary we send you the following Statement of our Lodge.

1st This Lodge agrees to adopt the new Constitution of the Grand Lodge –

2d The date of our warrant is 1st of August 5814 and

3d the Situation of our Lodge is in a very bad State. We had at the time of the great excitement in these parts about Masonry about 50 Members we have but 15 at present who is willing to Stand the Shock against Masonry in regard to our funds we have paid them all out in Building a Masonic Hall & have fell in Debt about 80 Dollars in consequence of the Death of two of our Grethren who had Contracted to Build our Hall & Received pay in part this property being insolvent in regard to the Dues we owe the Lodge we have no Money to pay them up & if your Honors will see fit to second them up to the next meeting of the Grand Lodge we will endeavor for the future to pay Natually [sic] if you don't See fit to grant our request we Shall be under the necessity of Stopping Work.

Yours fraternally

Selah Graves Master

L. Couch Secty

N.B. name of the Lodge Morning Star No. 295
Pike Allegany County

Keshequa Lodge No. 299, Nunda, New York

WARRANT: 11 Jun 1853.

The name or number has never been changed.

MINUTES: Not intact, all records prior to 1856 are missing. Keshequa Lodge was organized in the spring of 1852. The petition is without date, and "St. John's" was the name selected for the Lodge; why or when a change in name was made, is unknown.

PETITIONERS.

George Greig.	M. V. Riggs.	E. Covey.	Eliphaz Tyler.
Thomas C. Chase.	Granville Sherwood.	Andrew Teal.	Barnabas Wright.
Henry A. Gray.	Charles Wing.	Greenleaf Clark, Jr.	Moses Bemon.
John Sherwood.	David R. Williams.	Robert Flint.	

The petition was **recommended by Mount Morris Lodge, No. 122.**

The officers nominated by the petitioners were:

GEORGE GREIG, Master.
DAVID R. WILLIAMS, Senior Warden.
E. COVEY, Junior Warden.

On April 26, 1852, a dispensation was issued by M.' W.'. OSCAR COLES, Grand Master, which was to terminate on September 1, 1852. It was extended to December 1, when it was again extended, this time to June 1, 1853.

The dispensation and warrant named the same officers as were nominated in the petition.

On the evening of April 5, 1882, while the Lodge was holding a communication the warrant, which was in the pocket of the overcoat of the Master, in a room adjoining the Lodge room, was stolen. Unsuccessful efforts were made to recover it, and, on June 9, 1882, the Grand Lodge adopted a resolution granting the Lodge a duplicate warrant, but in the following November the original warrant was recovered, and the duplicate warrant was surrendered to the Grand Lodge.

The first meeting-place was over the store of M. J. Aglor, where it remained until 1869, when it moved into rooms over the post office, remaining here until 1897, when it moved into its present quarters in the Livingston Block. These quarters were dedicated by M.' W.'. WILLIAM A. SUTHERLAND, Grand Master, on December 20, 1897.

MASTERS.

1853-56. George Greig.	1891. Orrin H. Cook.	1925. Denton D. Robinson	1956. Robert Walker
1857-58. C. F. Brewer.	1892. John W. Kendall.	1926. Myron Goldthwait	1957. Fred B. Trescott
1859-60. James Lemen.	1893. John W. Kendall.	1927-28. Elmer B. Shattuck	1958. Francis J. Terry
1861. Gideon Townsend.	1894. Charles J. Carrick.	1929-30. Harry Gooddale	1959. Maurice L. Moore
1862. C. F. Warner.	1895. George M. Jones.	1931. J. McKay	1960. Leon T. Howe
1863. Gideon Townsend.	1896-98. Orrin H. Cook.	1932. J. T. Bailey	1961. Ivan D. Warren
1864. J. V. D. Coon.	1899. John W. Kendall.	1933. L. E. Atherton	1962. Benjamin Hoagland
1865. H. M. Dake.	1900. William H. Northway.	1934. C. G. Chidsey	1963. Larry A. Russell
1866-67. A. J. Kingsley.	1901. William H. Northway.	1935. Wilson S. Beardsley	1964. Oscar T. Anderson
1868. James Lemen.	1902. Orrin H. Cook.	1936. Edward E. Lippincott	1965. John H. Goodrich
1869-70. A. J. Kingsley.	1903-04. Bert H. McMaster.	1937. J. M. Lahr	1966. Roland E. Gillette
1871-73. Walter S. Coffin.	1905. Joseph Lovell.	1938. Harold G. Mabee	1967. Sherman W. Sanford
1874. Hector Sinclair.	1906. Bert H. McMaster.	1939. Walter A. Stamp	1968. Frank P. Stemper
1875. Orrin H. Cook.	1907-08. William Baylor.	1940. Richard C. Knack	1969. Clarence R. Borgus
1876-78. Herman D. Page.	1909. Homer G. Pitts.	1941-42. Walter A. Stamp	1970. Adrean Sanford
1879. Hector Sinclair.	1910. C. H. Holmes.	1943. Sherman M. Weigel	1971. John W. Stoll
1880. James Lemen.	1911-12. Albert A. Conrad.	1944-46. Arland G. Russell	1972. Louis Hann
1881-82. Andrew J. Frayer.	1913. Homer G. Pitts.	1947. Franklin Rumpfelt	1973-74. Kenneth Barney
1883. Denton S. Robinson.	1914. L.O. Willard	1948. Robert Blood	1975. Adrean Sanford
1884. F. M. Satterlee.	1915-16. F. B. Wagner	1949. Gordon Kemp	1976. Dana Howe
1885. Orrin H. Cook.	1917-18. R. H. Wagor	1950. Richard W. Lockwood	1977. Martin Livingston
1886. Chauncey A. Norton.	1919-20. L. L. Thompson	1951. Kenneth Henry	1978. Jeffrey J. Long
1887. Orrin H. Cook.	1921. E. C. Hawley	1952. Edward Bristol	1979. Ronald Livingston
1888. George D. Greig.	1922. J. H. Curry	1953. Robert Walker	1980-81. Jack E. Morgan
1889. Milen A. Van Gilder.	1923. H. N. Gillette	1954. Robert Haskell	1982-83. Jeffery Long
1890. Herman D. Page.	1924. H. A. Jellison	1955. Richard W. Lockwood	

Dansville Lodge No. 306, Danville, New York

Petition: 15 Nov 1817

Warrant: 05 Jun 1818

Petitioners:

Atwood, Timothy	Brayton, Nathaniel	Hammond, Amaziah	Sheldon, Arad
Baker, Abel	Bullock, Ebenezer	Lemmon, William	Stillwell, Samuel
Boyden, Neil	Evingham, Ezekiel	Patchin, Warren	Warner, Elihu

Recommend by: Genesee Lodge No. 138, Town of Richmond, Ontario Co., 17 Nov 1817
Union Lodge No. 261, Lima, Ontario Co.

Letter: 30 Jul 1817 . . . that Abel Baker named to be Master had left that place and requested Warren Patchin be inserted to be Master of the Lodge.

Constituted: 10 Oct 1818

	Master	SW	JW	Secretary	Treasurer
First Master:	1818 Warren Patchin	Nell Boyden	Merritt Brown	L. M. Cook	Amaziah Hammond
	1822 Merritt Brown	Thomas Keith	Jacob Sholl	James Faulkner	
	1823 Merritt Brown	Phillip Woodruff	Ezekiel Wilcox	James Faulkner	
	1829 Merritt Brown	Aaron Brown	Oliver D. Stacy	Rufus Stone	
	1830 Merritt Brown	Chester Bradley	Amasa Dodge	Rufus Stone	
Members:	Dec 1821: 20				
Forfeit:	05 Jun 1835				

Relic: Certificate of Membership, 29 Jul 1822, issued to Daniel F. VanDeventer, in possession of Phoenix Lodge No. 115.

Merritt Brown was born on 20 Apr 1785 in Windham, CT; d. 9 Jun 1853 (age 81). Merritt lived in Vermont, Westmoreland and Dansville, NY. Merritt was very active in the Masonic Orders. He was the son of Samuel and Clarissa (Geer) Brown of Dansville, NY. He m. Asenath Holmes, b. 6 Dec 1789, d/o of David and Chloe [Strong] Holmes. Children: Merritt Holmes Brown, b. 20 Oct 1806, d. 27 Jun 1864. 2387; Clarissa Brown, b. 10 Sep 1809, d. 16 May 1884

<http://www.patchin.us/shel/genealogy/d0000/q0000071.html#l03909>

Dr. Warren PATCHIN b. 31 Jan 1784, Catskill, Greene, NY; d. 13 Feb 1872, Wayland, Steuben, NY
built the Patchinville sawmill, which burned the following year; in 1822 erected the grist mill
1821, Surgeon

1824, Built the Patchin's Mills hotel

1824, First president of Steuben Medical Society

Military service: Jul 1813, Enlisted, private in Capt. Joseph Bull's Co., War of 1812; 30 Dec 1813, Discharged; 20 Jul 1814, Enlisted
Capts. Amasa Chapman and Burgess' Co.; 20 Sep 1814, Discharged

Warren Patchin Lodge No. 883 of Wayland, and the town of Patchinville Steuben Co., NY were named for him.

Resided 1850 near his father, in Wayland, Steuben Co., NY

Father: Walter PATCHIN; Mother: Irena Loraine SPRAGUE

Wife 1: Susan D. RUSSELL 1805 - 27 Sep 1871

Wife 2: Ruth CARTWRIGHT 1783 - 03 Mar 1853; married 10 Nov 1803, Freehold, Greene Co., NY

Children with Ruth CARTWRIGHT:

1. +Warren PATCHIN 09 Mar 1804 - 18 Mar 1879
2. Jabez PATCHIN 1806 - 8 Sep 1825
3. +Harriet PATCHIN 1808 - Oct 1860
4. +Ira PATCHIN 1812 - 12 Jan 1898
5. +Cameron PATCHIN 29 Feb 1820 - 13 Aug 1896
6. William PATCHIN 1822 - 1822
7. Minerva PATCHIN 1824 - 1824
8. +Minerva PATCHIN 21 Aug 1826 - 13 Mar 1900

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Walter Patchin was born in Norwalk, CT, 24 Jul 1764. He joined the Continental Army and took part in defense of the town (Cowen) against the British and Indians. Young Patchin was injured and later, pensioned by the Government for the injury he received.

Later he settled in Marcellus, Onondaga county, and in 1814, moved to Patchinville, giving a name to the place. He settled near the present residence of Hon. Gordon M. Patchin. Walter Patchin was twice married. His first wife was the mother of Dr. Warren Patchin. Myron W. Patchin was the ninth of eleven children of his second wife.

"When Walter Patchin moved to town," says Jarvis in his history of Wayland "he transported his goods with an ox team and in coming down the East Patchin hill over which the old road led, one of his oxen fell and broke his neck. A most serious loss for a Pioneer farmer. On inquiring of Benjamin Perkins he learned of a settler near Dansville, of whom an ox could be obtained. But Mr. Patchin was not prepared to pay just then, and being a stranger was in a predicament from which Mr. Perkins relieved him by picking up a chip, on which he scratched his initials, "B. P." and gave it to Mr. Patchin to hand to the settler, which he did and came back with his bovine. This is the first recorded bank check in town."

Probably no man had a more strenuous life than did **Dr. Warren Patchin**, a son of Walter Patchin, who saw service in the war of 1812 to 1814. He came to Patchinville shortly after his father and was the most noted practitioner in all this locality and there were other grand ones. He was an active member of the Steuben Medical Society from its organization in 1818, and its first President. He still found time to do other things than practice medicine. In 1820 he built the Patchinville sawmill, which burned in 1821, and in 1822, he erected the Patchinville grist mill. The tax roll for 1829 gives Warren Patchin 409 acres valued at \$12 per acre, the highest on the list. The long time famous Patchin Hotel was built by him in 1824. For many years it was a typical country tavern, where the young men of the day brought their sweethearts, in that early day to the swell dances.

Dr. Warren Patchin, who was born at Balston, in 1784, had graduated from Fairfield Seminary and had seen service in the war of 1812-14. He followed his father from Marcellus to the 'far west,' as this country was then known, and in 1816 he settled on what is now the Marlette farm. He was the most noted medical practitioner of his period in this locality, his clientele extending over a radius of fifty miles of territory, and at a time when bridle paths were the principal highways it was not an uncommon occurrence for him to be compelled, if overtaken by night, to fasten his horse to a tree and make himself as comfortable as possible until daylight permitted him to continue his journey. He was an active member of the Steuben Medical Society from the time of its organization, in 1818, and was its first president. He again held the presidency of the organization in 1824 and in 1843-4. Aside from his professional work he found time and energy to devote to business matters, and in 1820 he built the Patchinville saw mill, which burned the following year, and in 1882 he erected the grist mill. The longtime famous Patchin's Mills hotel was built by him in 1824.

It was his intention to make it of brick, which he endeavored to manufacture, but the clay was deficient and the bricks proved worthless, so the wooden structure was erected. It stood where now is the house of John P. Morsch and was a typical country tavern. Dr. Patchin became the father of six children: Warren, 1804-1879; Jabez, 1806-182.5; Harriet (Mrs. Warring), 1808-186—; Ira, 1812-1898; Cameron, 1820-1896; Minerva (Mrs. John Young), 1826-1900. Dr. Warren Patchin died in 1872.

Luminary Lodge No. 483, Springwater, New York

Petition: undated; signed by:
Gray, Arnold Wheaton, Ephraim B. Simon(d)s, Alvin Cole, John H.
Goff, David Southworth, Alvah (Alva) Slack, John
Boyd, Benjamin Lawrence, Jonathan Horton, Isaiah

Recommended by: Dansville Lodge No. 306, 19 Dec 1825 and Genesee Lodge No. 138, 22 Dec 1825

Dispensation: 12 Jan 1826 "til Jun next" issued by Stephen Van Rensselaer, Grand Master.

First Officers: Alvin Simons, WM; Benjamin Boyd, SW; Isaiah Horton, JW.

First Reg. Communication: 23 Feb 1826

Dispensation 14 Jun 1826 to Philip Woodruff, Esqr., of town of Sparta, county of Livingston, to install the Officers of Luminary Lodge No. 483, issued by Stephen Van Rensselaer, Grand Master.

Letter: 7 Aug 1826 to R.'W.'. Wadsworth, Grand Secretary, that the Charter had not been received.

Letter: 23 Oct 1826 to E. Wadsworth. Note on reverse: "Warrant sent 7 Nov 1826.

Letter: 25 Jun 5828 from Philip Woodruff stating he attended with a number of Brethren of Dansville Lodge No. 306 and installed the officers the 27th day of December 1826.

Letter: 10 Sep 1830 that during "the winter of 1828 our Secretary Ephraim B. Wheaton turned Antimason and robber our treasury of \$69.00 dollars cash and Eighty-Eight dollars in promissory notes which he disposed of for his private benefit these together with our secretary's book and all the papers which might lead to an investigation of our affairs as also our Bible and Charter . . . and since that time we have ceased to work . . ." Note on reverse: "Entered on G.L. Books as dissolved."

Alva Southworth had a whiskey still and hog yard. His daughter, Caroline, married a Wheaton.

Dr. Arnold Gray came here about 1827, and commenced practice with Dr. Norton. After one or two years he and Norton dissolved partnership, and he practiced on his own account. He had an extensive ride, and probably rode more miles over the hills of Springwater than any other man, for he practiced for over fifty years, and until his death. He had three children, one son and two daughters. One daughter was Mrs. Dr. T. D. Connor.

David Goff came from Burlington, Otsego county, NY, and located on the farm where the south grist mill is, about 1818. He built a saw mill and after a few years built a grist mill on the site of the present mills. He finally sold his property here and went west to Northern Illinois, about 1838. He married Nancy Day, daughter of Daniel Day, also of Burlington, Otsego Co.

"Early History of the Town of Springwater," by Orson Walbridge, Dennis Byron Waite. page 29.

http://books.google.com/books?id=hFcVAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA29&lpg=PA29&dq=%22masons+in+springwater%22&source=bl&ots=r5ZUXPSqV&sig=6VGALH7DJekK1X4WhPkhhw8fM6c&hl=en&ei=fRibS-j7loX7lwfu-KyjAq&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=1&ved=0CAkQ6AEwAA#v=onepage&q=%22masons%20in%20springwater%22&f=false .

Jacob Cannon [EA 22 Mar; FC 5 Apr; Raised 5 Apr 1826] kept a tavern. Cannon settled at Springwater about 1810, where he resided for a long time; and it being a central, place, or near the center of the town, it became a place for doing town business, such as holding elections, town meetings, and other public gatherings, for about a dozen years.

Now there was a little transaction that took place there that may be worth mentioning. About 1827 or 1828, there was a lodge of Free Masons in Springwater, and they held lodge meetings in an upper room of this old tavern. It was about the time that William Morgan wrote a book purporting to be an expose of the secrets of Masonry. He was arrested and confined in Canandaigua jail, and in a short time was privately taken from the jail and conveyed to parts unknown, which created a great excitement and caused the anti-Masonic party to spring up; and in Springwater there was an anxiety to know more about the secret society, and among the number who were desirous to ascertain the workings of the mysterious order, was Mrs. Jacob Cannon, [Abigail] or "Aunt Nabby," as she was called. As she knew of the time of meeting of the lodge, she provided a way of access to the garret over the lodge room. She made a small opening in the ceiling where she could both see and hear what was said and done in the lodge room. She was in the habit of repairing to her hiding place before the assembling of the meeting, and remain during the session. By this means she learned the time when there were to be some new members initiated. Thinking that she must have someone with her to enjoy the show, she got a young man to help her watch, and they witnessed the proceedings. Now as it is hard for one to keep a secret, it is much harder for two, and in some way it leaked out that they had been watching. It created a great commotion, but Aunt Nabby stood firm and did not scare worth a cent. There were no more meetings held in that house, and I think not many more in town for a long time, for soon after this the treasurer of the society stole the charter and the funds in the treasury, which were mostly notes given in lieu of money, that being a scarce article; and the lodge disbanded, and what has been done since I do not know.

Avon Spring Lodge No. 570, Avon, New York

Warrant: 30 Jun 1865

Charter Members:

Barber, Jasper	Hayden, I. S.	Moore, A. E.	Wilbur, R. G.
Burleigh, J. S.	Johnson, S. E. W.	Perkins, L. H.	Wilcox, Ben. B.
Haile, H. H.	Markham, Wm. G.	Taintor, R. S.	
Hale, H. S.	Miller, I.	VanZandt, William	

Masters

1865 S. E. W. Johnson	1907 A. A. Barnhart	1934-35 Harlow L. Hall	1960 Eugene E. VanOverbake
1866 A. E. Moore	1908 William A. Wheeler	1936 Charles W. Cushing	1961 Robert Ardrey
1867 R. S. Taintor	1909-10 John H. Westfall	1937 Roy S. Allison	1962 Glenn E. Ingersoll
1868 Josiah Curtis	1911-12 Orrin Williams	1938 J. Stanley Lussow	1963 John F. Rowe, Jr.
1869-70 H. S. Hale	1913-14 James D. Carson, Jr.	1939 Willard C. Percy	1964 George H. Bahrenburg
1871-72 T. D. Hooker	1915 O. Howard Gott	1940 J. Donald Root	1965 Oren J. Tuttle
1873-77 E. H. Davis	1916 William Farnum	1941 Rely S. Clark	1966 Robert G. Fisher
1878-79 James D. Carson, Sr.	1917 John T. Marshall	1942 Edward C. Gross	1967 Edward T. Schell
1880 A. W. DeWitt	1918 Harold B. Gilbert	1943-44 Robert B. Downing	1968 Jerry L. Rowe
1881-82 James D. Carson, Sr.	1919 Hubert N. Seeley	1945 Rely S. Clark	1969 Walton B. Whipple
1883 Bert Van Tuyl	1920 Clarence E. Henty	1946 Hubert N. Seeley	1970 Robert G. Webster
1884 Alexander Cully	1921 R. E. Hovey	1947 Charles S. May	1971 Leonard G. Howell
1885-87 William Carter	1922 Ray H. Downing	1948 Kenneth W. Jenks	1972 Richard H. Homan
1888-90 R. J. Wallace	1923 Robert B. Downing	1949 Clarence C. House	1973 Robert E. Rowe
1891 George Shearer	1924 James D. Anderson, Jr.	1950 William D. Bryant	1974 Thomas J. House
1892 William Carter	1925 Leo H. Barber	1951 Clarence E. Dillon	1975 James S. Miller
1893-94 William Farnum	1926 Frank H. Stevenson	1952 Robert L. Clark	1976 Lawrence D. Stevens
1895-96 Lyman Westfall	1927 Fred B. Babcock	1953 Raymond J. Woieslagle	1977 James H. Hooper
1897-98 William J. Weed	1928 Walter J. Reaser	1954 Rex Moulton	1978 Wilson J. Davidson
1899 John F. Kyle	1929 C. V. Sackett	1955 Dewitt F. Batzing	1979 Melvin E. Snyder
1900 R. J. Wallace	1930 A. W. Johnson	1956 Otto W. Mastin	1980-81 Robert E. DuBoise
1901 L. Newton Smith	1931 Clarence E. Meekin	1957 J. Francis Bell	1982 Robert L. Snyder
1902 Herman A. Doer	1932 John H. Morton	1958 John H. Ferris	1982-83 Charles Faisst
1903-05 James D. Anderson	1933 R. D. Browne	1959 Ray R. Ramage	

Eunice Lodge No. 830, Caledonia, New York



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Mar. 23, 1899 First informal meeting to discuss organizing a Masonic Lodge.
 Mar. 31, 1899 Second meeting. Officers elected and appointed.
 Oct. 1899 Dispensation granted by Grand Lodge for formation of Caledonia Lodge. Rooms were rented in the Guthrie Building, now the Church of God on West Main Street.
 Nov. 02, 1899 Regular meetings began with 22 charter members.
 Dec. 31, 1899 First public appearance of the new lodge for a George Washington Memorial Service at First Presbyterian Church.
 Sept. 27, 1900 Lodge constituted by an emergent Grand Lodge with ceremonies held in Burgess Hall and permanent charter given for Eunice Lodge No. 830. The name "Eunice" was chosen as a memorial to an infant daughter of James Tennent who helped greatly in the organizing of the lodge.
 Nov. 02, 1905 Masonic Temple Association formed.
 Apr. 17, 1908 Present Masonic Temple purchased for \$7,500.00

Mar. 23, 1909 Masonic Temple dedicated with large crowd and many grand officers present. The ceremonies were direction of MW\ (and Judge) S. Nelson Sawyer, Grand Master. Rochester Union and Advertiser article reported "It is considered one of the finest temples in western New York outside of the cities:"

May 15, 1925 25th Anniversary dinner held at Spring Brook Inn with M.'W.'. S. Nelson Sawyer, Past Grand Master and R.'W.'. George W. Tinklepaugh, Past Grand Sword Bearer as Principal speakers.

Nov. 06, 1947 Recognition was made that W.'. Emmett M. Day, Past Master, had been secretary for over 25 years, a splendid and unusual record.

May 18, 1950 50th Anniversary dinner at Caledonia High School. R.'W.'. Henry G. Meacham, Grand Lecturer, was speaker for the occasion.

Sep. 20, 1951 Dues raised from \$7 to \$9 per year. Initiation fee raised from \$41 to \$50.

Mar. 06, 1952 W.'. Harold G. Relyea installed Master after having recovered from a heart attack suffered before the prescribed installation.

Jun. 19, 1952 New carpet authorized. Maximum cost to be \$1400. (It went over).

Jun. 04, 1953 Bro. Wilbur Place presented 50-year pin.

Nov. 05, 1953 R.'W.'. Henry G. Meacham, Grand Lecturer and a member of Pocahontas Lodge No. 211, Seneca Falls, New York was duly elected an honorary member of Eunice Lodge No.830.

Mar. 28, 1954 Bro. George McDonald received 50-year pin at his home. New light and globe to be installed on front of building.

Nov. 19, 1954 Bro. Edward J. Johnston received 50-year pin.

Jan. 06, 1955 Our Trestleboard was instituted by an initial contribution of \$50 from Bro. Nathan Dinion.

Jun. 02, 1955 Third degree conferred on combined class from Avon and Caledonia by Avon Springs Lodge No.570. R.'W.'. Luther Webster, Commander in Chief of Rochester Consistory, Spoke after the degree.

Jan. 05, 1956 W\Charles Russ, became the Third member of his family to serve Eunice Lodge as Master.

May 17, 1956 Master's expense allowance for Grand lodge annual communication was raised from \$50 to \$75.

Winter 1956 At the end of 1956, Eunice Lodge Had 160 members.

Nov. 21, 1957 Dues were raised from \$9 to \$12 per year.

Nov. 20, 1958 New lodge officer's aprons were received and worn this night.

Jun. 04, 1959 Charter member Bro. Fayette VanZile was presented with a 60- year palm.

Mar. 17, 1960 At a second degree, RW\Grand Senior Warden Clarence Henry delivered the charge to the candidates. (He later became Grand Master).

Feb. 7, 1963 Bro. Wilbur Place presented with a 60-year palm.

Summer 1963 A lodge family picnic was held at Cedar Springs, the first of several yearly picnics.

Oct. 17, 1963 Bro. George McDonald presented with 60-year palm.

Nov. 21, 1963 The Temple Club mortgage was symbolically burned.

Jan. 06, 1965 Bro. Fayette VanZile died at 90. He was the last Charter member of Eunice Lodge.

Jun. 27, 1965 80 members and families attended the family picnic at Letchworth Park.

Apr. 07, 1966 Eunice Lodge honored Bro. Edgar Simpson, our chaplain, for his many years of faithful service.

Apr. 21, 1966 R.'W.'. Murray A. Cayley, Grand Chaplain and a member of Valley Lodge was guest speaker.

Nov. 3, 1966 W.'. Sidney V. Clark received his 50-year pin.

Apr. 06, 1967 Bro. Jack MacKay was appointed chairman of a committee to collect and send clothing to Vietnam to be distributed by Bro. Elmer Storm.

Jun. 01, 1967 R.'W.'. Gerald R Keith received the Livingston District Distinguished Achievement Award at the annual Communion breakfast.

Sep. 05, 1967 A plaque was received from Bro. Elmer Storm in appreciation for clothing sent to the Air Force Advisory Group MACV orphanage committee.

Feb. 01, 1968 Dues were increased from \$12 to \$15. Initiation fee raised to \$75.

Feb. 17, 1968 First George Washington dinner dance was held with over 90 in attendance.

May 16, 1968 Lodge contribution for Master's expenses for Grand Lodge Annual Communication was raised from \$75 to \$100.

Dec. 19, 1968 50-year pins presented to Bro's. Gordon E. Peisler, John L. Alexander and Harry H. Emerson. 60-year palm presented to George Stears in Florida.

Dec. 04, 1969 An altar bible was given to Eunice Lodge by Jeanne Armstrong, owned by her father, Burt Snyder. R.' W.'. Johnston J. Doley made the presentation.

Jan. 15, 1970 By-Laws amended-Lodge to meet the first Thursday of each month.

May 01, 1970 Bro. Elmer Storm received the District Meritorious Service Award for his work aiding orphans in Vietnam.

Oct. 1971 First fall auction held, W.'. Louis Johnston, Sr. auctioneer.

Feb. 26, 1972 The first Masonic Talent Show for youth was held.

May 1972 A lady in a new Buick attempted to gain admission by smashing the stone pillars on the porch; car came to rest partly through the front door.

Apr1973 The kitchen was remodeled with the help of the Eastern Star.

May 20, 1973 R.' W.'. J. J. Doley received the Livingston District Distinguished Achievement Award at the annual Communion breakfast.

Nov. 01, 1973 50-year pins were presented to Bro's. David Alloway, Fox D. Holden, J. M. Bostwick and W.'. Joseph W. Ward, Sr.

Jun. 06, 1974 W\ Sidney Clark presented with a 60-year palm. W.'. Louis Purvis and Bro. Alphonse J. Baldeck received 50-year pins.

Dec 1974 Lodge rooms painted in preparation for our 75 year of Masonry in Caledonia.

Jan. 18, 1975 Our first public installation of officers was held. D.D.G.M. R.'W.'. Eugene E. VanOverbake was installing Master. R.'W.'. Luther Webster, Past Judge Advocate, was guest speaker.

Jun. 05, 1975 64% of Eunice Lodge brothers have contributed to the Brotherhood Fund.

Sep. 13,1975 The 75th Anniversary dinner held at the Caledonia-Mumford Central School. The Grand Master, MW\Arthur Markewich was guest of honor and speaker for the event.

Dec. 04, 1975 Election of officers for 1976 and voted to sell bonds to help Temple Club pay off the mortgage.

Jan. 08, 1976 '76 officers installed. And Bro. & Dr. Fred M. Hinsdale presented a slide show of his travels in Russia. A ham dinner was planned for the public.

Jun. 03, 1976 Brotherhood fund reported to be 60% with \$600. We voted to help pay for new carpet in the clubroom on the second floor.

Sep. 02, 1976 A breakfast was held for family "go to church day" and a ladies night was also planned.

Apr. 07, 1977 \$226.50 was realized from the ham dinner.

Jun. 02, 1977 W\Walt Howe won 2 photo contest plaques from Grand Lodge and W\Joseph W. Ward Sr. received the Livingston District Distinguished Achievement Award at the annual Communion breakfast.

Sep. 07, 1978 50-year pin & certificate was presented to W\ S. Clark Place and he took a 60-year pin & certificate to Florida to present to Bro. Gordon Piester.

Jan. 04, 1979 Officers for '79 installed. It was decided to split the cost of our new fire escape three ways. Eunice Lodge, Caledonia Temple Club and the Caledonia Chapter Order of the Eastern Star.

May 03, 1979 The proceeds of the old fashioned days food stand was reported to be 1229.31. Mother & Daughter banquet is planned.

Mar. 06, 1980 Past Masters Night, a roast beef dinner was held and the past masters filled the officers chairs. We had several visitors from surrounding lodges.

May 01, 1980 The talent show, antique car show & the old fashioned farming day food are good fund-raisers, but it is very hard to get help.

Jun. 05, 1980 W.'. Howard Burt was honored with the presentation of a 50- year pin & certificate. The Worthy Matron of Caledonia Chapter O.E.S. invited the brothers to a dinner.

Apr. 07, 1981 Past Masters night, all the offices were filled by past masters. They all felt good about being in office one more time.

May 07, 1981 The old-fashioned day food stand netted over \$1500.

Jun. 04, 1981 The antique car show netted \$1822.48, which was divided with our Star Chapter. Their help was appreciated.

Dec. 02, 1982 Election of officers and voted to give a \$100 scholarship to a senior who plans to go to college.

Feb. 03, 1983 \$200 music scholarship presented to a senior going on to college. 60-year palms & certificates were presented to Bro. Sylvanus Hollbrook and to W\Joseph W. Ward Sr. Lodge voted to sell unused kitchenware.

Apr. 07, 1983 60-year palm & certificate was presented to Bro. Floyd Eberts. Past masters filled the officers chairs and each were given time to reminisce.

May 05, 1983 Old-fashion days food stand netted \$2182.55.

Jun. 02, 1983 Brotherhood fund is a success with 80% participation. It was noted the R\W\Gerald Keith is a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on publications.

May 03, 1984 Five Master Masons from Scotland visited Eunice Lodge.

Sep. 06, 1984 Received \$500 from an estate of a deceased brother. An equal amount was added and invested in an interest account.

May 01, 1986 The horse show & talent show were successful. Lodge voted for two (2) scholarship for college bound seniors.

May 07, 1987 Our lodge rooms have been painted and with the new carpet that the Star and lodge agreed to share in the cost back in March, makes a very pleasant meeting for the Star and us. Plus we have new officers aprons and jewels.

Jun. 04, 1987 The Star Chapter invited us to a dinner and meeting for Master Mason night, June 9th.

Dec. 17, 1987 A special open meeting for the purpose of presenting a 50-year pin & certificate to R\W\Gerald F. Keith. His wife and daughter were present. Refreshments were served after the meeting.

Feb. 04, 1988 R.'.W.'. Allen Roggen gave an interesting talk about Royal Arch Masonry.

May 02, 1988 Grand Lodge session was held in Niagara Falls.

May 05, 1988 A Masonic Widows dinner and social was held and ten (10) widows attended. They were impressed and pleased.

Sep. 15, 1988 An open meeting was held was held to present R\W\Francis Oberer with an apron as a badge of his office as Grand Director of Ceremonies. Also to present Bro. Fred M. Hinsdale with a 50-year pin.

Oct. 06, 1988 We voted to order Masonic signs for access routes to our village and the old-fashion days horse show netted \$953.16.

Mar. 02, 1989 Our village Chamber of Commerce is planning a Memorial Day celebration. We voted to participate. Bro. Alan McNab was surprised with the presentation of the Dedicated Service Award apron and carrying case.

Nov. 16, 1989 We voted not to have the Lodge Youth Talent Show this year, due to a lack of interest.

Dec. 07, 1989 Bro. Jack McKay was honored for his excellent work with the Brotherhood Fund campaign and he was presented with a certificate.

Mar. 01, 1990 Our By-Laws are amended to start our meeting at 7:30PM.

Sept. 06, 1990 Thank you letters were read from recipients of the scholarships awards. An invitation was extended to all to the reception of W\ Walter Howe at The Gateway in Henrietta. He is the Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star of the State of New York.

Oct. 04, 1990 Bro. Floyd Manley thanked all who honored him by going to his O.E.S. Homecoming celebration. He held the office of District Grand Lecturer.

May 02, 1991 Bro. Lester McGray was recently reinstated in our lodge and graciously sent a \$1,000 check for our lodge to use as needed. We voted to buy a Masonic flag for our lodge room. Help needed for the National Warplane Museum Air Show food stand in Geneseo.

Sep. 05, 1991 Wor. Master thanked all who helped with the success of the Air Show food stand. The O.E.S. also had a food stand.

Oct. 04, 1991 W\Eugene Hill gave an account of the progress at the Hospice House in Geneseo. Several brothers discussed differences in lodge work in different states.

Jan. 02, 1992 The Livingston District College of Grand Lodge Officers installed our officers for the last time in January. The Wor. Master and officers will hold office for six months.

Jun. 04, 1992 Officers were installed for the ' 92-' 93 year ahead. W.'. Eugene Hill reported that Kodak had donated \$500 to the Hospice House. R.'.W.'. Gerald Keith and R.'.W.'. Arnold E. Palmer appointed as members of a Grand Lodge Committee.

Jan. 07, 1993 Our own W\Eugene Hill is a member of the board of the Hospice House.

Jun. 02, 1994 Officers were installed for the '94-'95 year. R.'W.'. Gerald Keith received the Wendall Walker Award medal. Bro. Jack McKay received the Dedicated Service apron, certificate and pin.

Mar. 02, 1995 Our R.'W.'. Eugene Hill read a letter of thanks from the Theresa Hospice House for the \$5,200 that was contributed by Masons of the Livingston District.

Apr. 06, 1995 We voted to contribute money to the District Association to help two young people to go to Camp Turk.

Jun. 01, 1995 So many officers were sick, that the installation of the officers was postponed to a later date. Grand Lodge sent us an award for community service.

Oct. 05, 1995 Installation of the officers was finally done by the Liv. Dist. Purple Apron Club.

Nov. 09, 1996 W.'. Walter Howe was presented the Dedicated Service Award, apron, pin, certificate and carry case. R\W\David Parish gave a fine talk about Masonry during the civil war.

Dec. 04, 1997 R.'W.'. Gerald Keith was honored and presented his 60-year palm. Also R.'W.'. Charles Russ was presented with his 50-year pin.

Jun. 04, 1998 Officers for the years '98-'99 were installed. R\W\Charles Russ gave up being our secretary after many years of faithful service to our lodge.

Oct. 01, 1998 The Grand Master to be here May 13, 2000 for 100anniversary. Bro. Mel Hussey was the recipient of a certificate of appreciation for his work with the Brotherhood Fund.

Nov. 05, 1998 The elected officers moved ahead one station and all did well. R.'W.'. Eugene Hill donated Eunice Lodge share of the Camp Turk money to Livingston Masonic Association. A noble deed.

Jan. 07, 1999 R.'W.'. Gerald Keith reported very ill. The brothers voted to raise our dues to \$50 and the By-Laws will be changed.

Feb. 04, 1999 R.'W.'. Gerald Keith passed away, he will be sorely missed by our lodge and community. Reported that 40% contributed to the Brotherhood Fund. R.'W.'. Arnold E. Palmer to be married in July. Recent fires at two lodges in the district prompted us to look at our own insurance coverage.

Mar. 04, 1999 Regular meeting was cancelled for bad weather (Over 24 inches of snow).

Mar. 18, 1999 Lodge finally met after digging out from the snowstorm. Brotherhood chairman reported almost 60% of the members contributing.

Apr. 01, 1999 Bro. George Middleton has been seen sporting around town on his electric cart. Fred Keith presented our lodge with \$1,000 in honor of his father, R.'W.'.Gerald Keith. Plans for the horse show (Old-Fashion Days at Estes Farm) were discussed.

May 06, 1999 It was reported that the horse show was a success, but there was a shortage of help. R.'W.'.Arnold E. Palmer, the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter, State of New York R.A.M. was present and given grand honors. Officers were elected for the next year.

Nov. 04, 1999 Bro. Louis Bedford was presented his 50-year pin and certificate in the hospital. The pie sale netted \$188.00. R.'W.'. Allen Roggen was honored by the presentation of a Symbolic Award from the Scottish Rite, Valley of Rochester.

Dec. 02, 1999 Bro.'s Robert Baldeck and Howard Smith were presented with their 50-year pins and certificates. Bro. Kenneth Mattice and wife (Barbara) gave \$100 in honor of Barbara's father, Bro. George Middleton.

Jan. 06, 2000 The Brotherhood fund is at 57% with 32 contributors. The anniversary committee reports some progress.

Feb. 03, 2000 Second degree will be conferred by Eunice Lodge, in Nunda. Two of our new brothers will be in the class. R.'W.'. Allen Roggen report on the 100th year anniversary celebration. A discussion was held about the feasibility of staying with the Livingstone publication or to go with the Monroe Masonic Times. Old Fashioned days refreshment stand was discussed.

Mar. 02, 2000 Our two newest members attended Lodge tonight, David & Dereck Howlett. R.'W.'. Allen Roggen announced that there is a need for commitment to help with the Old Fashioned days set up, work the stand & tear down & store equipment. Discussion about the 100th anniversary. The District Assoc. dinner & meeting to be held here on Mar. 27. The lodge brothers will be putting on the dinner. W.'. Floyd Manley reported that the lodge is over the top with 104% contributions to the Brotherhood Fund. Eunice Lodge is to share the expense of sending a young person to Camp Turk.

CHARTER MEMBERS

Name	Raised	Lodge	Name	Raised	Lodge
Charles Menzie	1899	Oatka No. 759	Watson Hanley	-	.
Charles E. Deichman	1899	Oatka No. 759	A. K. Flower	1898	Oatka No. 759
William F. Lawson	1895	Oatka No. 759	Roy B. MacNaughton	1895	Oatka No. 759
Simon MacDonald	1888	Forest No. 166	Fayette W. VanZile	1899	Oatka No. 759
Donald A. Scott	1899	Oatka No. 759	F. D. Wollett	-	.
William H. Dixon	1899	Oatka No. 759	E. L. Morrison	1896	Genesee No. 214
Daniel Mullen	1897	Avon Springs No. 570	Jerome Simpson	1880	Olive Branch No. 39
E. R. Logan	1899	Oatka No. 759	Frank Blakesley	1883	Avon Springs No. 570
Deforest Lindsley	1899	Oatka No. 759	John Roberts	1888	White Face Mt. No. 789
Edward L. Place	1898	Oatka No. 759	William Buckley, Sr.	1895	Oatka No. 759
John Barks	1898	Oatka No. 759	James Tennent	-	Charity No. 262

Current Members and Date Raised

Baldeck, Robert F.	1949	Elkins, William S.	1947	Hussey, Melvin	1995
Bell, Gordon E. #	1969	Fisher, Carl B. #	1952	Kenville, Ronald J.	1970
Bliss Kenneth	1975	Fortner, Larry	1956	LaFave, Richard J.	1975
Brown, Burton #	1951	Hawk, George A.	1950	Lewis, Charles D.	1955
Brown, Hampton J.	1951	Helm, J. Frederick	1974	MacIntyre, Bruce H.	1964
Cross, Stephen L.	1971	Hill, C. Eugene #	1954	Manley, Floyd J.	1963
Daniels, Charles W.	1987	Hinsdale, Dr. Fred M. #	1938	Martin, Gerald A.	1974
Das, Dr. Nayan	1980	Howe, Walter R.	1962	Mattice, Kenneth Jr.	1975
DeVore, Fred C.	1975	Howlett, David	2000	McGray, Lester D.	1938
DeVore, Raymond	1957	Howlett, Derick	2000	Middleton, George III	1974

Middleton, William P.	1992	Potter, Lewis E.	1978	Simpson, A. Grant	1951
Miller, Jesse A.	1975	Rawleigh, E. Lynn	1978	Sims, Jack	1965
Oberer, Francis E. Sr.	1973	Reid, Andrew, Jr.	1959	Smith, Howard F. #	1950
Outterson, Rev. Hugh D.	1949	Roggen, Allen J.	1959	Storm, Elmer	1956
Palmer, Arnold E.	1961	Romano, Gary J.	1989	Weber, Laurence W.	1953
Pearse, Richard J.	1974	Root, Bernard A.	1949	Wietzel, Robert L.	1951
Pletcher, Harold E. Jr.	1976	Russ, Charles H.	1947		

Affiliated

Masters

1899-01	Charles Menzie	1922	Emmett M. Day	1943	John H. Byam	1965	Larry Fortner
1902	Charles E. Deichman	1923	John H. Cameron	1944	Roy H. Outterson	1966	Allen Roggen
1903	William Lawson	1924	John B. Hornbrook	1945	James G. Flick	1967	Hugh Robertson
1904	Donald A. Scott	1925	Harry H. Emerson	1946	Earl G. Stone	1968	Allen Roggen
1905	A. K. Fowler	1926	Charles M. Sutherland	1947	C. LeRoy Armstrong	1969	Arnold Palmer
1906	MacDonald, Simon W.	1927	Joseph W. Ward	1948	Charles W. Carson	1970	Louis Johnston, Sr.
1907	Frank G. Luther	1928	Sidney V. Clark	1949	Arthur H. Hawk	1971	Howard Hanna
1908	William H. Dixon	1929	Louis R. Pruvit	1950	Howard C. Russ	1972	Lawrence Marble
1909	Richard Reid	1930	Roy B. MacNaughton	1951	Howard Hanna	1973	Walter Howe
1910	Thomas Davenport	1931	Vernon B. Kirkham	1952	Harold Relyea	1974	Walter Howe
1911	Charles Menzie	1932	Donald R. Tennent	1953	Fred Russ	1975	Ronald Kenville
1912	Edward L. Place	1933	James G. Flick	1954	Merle Scott	1976	Hugh Roberson
1913	W. V. Hamilton	1934	Johnston J. Doley	1955	Robert Bostwick	1977	Donald Miller
1914	W. H. Pease	1935	Philip J. Garbutt	1956	Charles Russ	1978	Francis Oberer
1915	Charles Perhamus	1936	S. Clark Place	1957	Louis Johnston, Sr.	1979	Gerald Martin
1916	Charles E. Deichman	1937	Curtis E. Minster	1958	Milton Home	1980	John Peters
1917	Frank G. Luther	1938	Howard P. Burt	1959	A. Grant Simpson	1981	Harold E. Pletcher
1918	Alex Amond	1939	S. Clark Place	1960	Robert Ely	1982	C. Eugene Hill
1919	J. Glenn Espie	1940	Clarence M. Winslow	1961	William Elkins	1983	Fred DeVore
1920	Stewart Campbell	1941	Donald J. Lyttle	1962	Robert Washburn		
1921	Leo M. Woodward	1942	Gerald F. Keith	1963	Lloyd Kennison		
				1964	Raymond DeVore		

Appendix I

John B. Hammatt (Hammett)

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DEATH OF BRO. JOHN B. HAMMATT. The long and faithful services, steadfast and unwavering fidelity to principle, strict integrity of character, a blameless life, and a constant practice of the Christian virtues of Charity, Truth, and Benevolence, added to a warm and generous Friendship, can ever entitle the memory of a Brother to the respect and gratitude of generous and sympathizing hearts, then that tribute of love and honor will be freely paid to the memory of him whose recent death we are now called upon to record in our pages, and whose name we have placed at the head of this brief notice.

Brother Hammatt was born in Boston on the 12th of June, 1778, and having received such an education as the public schools of the town at that time afforded, he was apprenticed in 1792, at the age of 14, (the usual age at which boys at that day began their apprenticeship,) to the late Deacon Moses Grant, as an upholsterer and paper-stainer; and in 1799, at the age of 21, he commenced business on his own account, and so successfully managed his affairs, as to secure to himself a competency through a long life.

He was initiated into Masonry by Columbian Lodge, of Boston, in the year 1600, and was admitted to membership in St. John's Lodge in 1801, and of which he was elected Master in 1810. He was exalted to R. A. Masonry in St. Andrew's Chapter in 5801, and became a member June 9, 5 802. He filled the office of King in that body in 5808, 5809 and 5813, and of that of High Priest in 5810 and 5811. In the Grand Lodge he was appointed a Steward in 5802, by R. W. Isaiah Thomas; a Deacon in 5807, by R. W. Timothy Bigelow; was elected Junior Warden in December, 5811, and Senior Grand Warden in December, 5814. He was knighted in the Boston Encampment in 5805, and admitted to membership therein in 5806. Bro. Hammatt removed to Alexandria, D. C., in 5815, and returned to Boston in 5830. While in Alexandria he was commissioned by the Grand Lodge of Virginia as D. Deputy Grand Master, in which capacity he visited fourteen Lodges in his District. At the end of the year, he declined a reappointment. He was at the time a member of Alexandria Washington Lodge, No. 29, of which, it is said, Gen. Washington was its first Master. In 5818 he was appointed by the Grand Chapter of Maryland and District of Columbia, as the first High Priest of Potomac Chapter in Georgetown, which station he held three years, when he was called to preside over Brook Chapter, in Alexandria, which received a Charter from the same Grand Chapter. In 5820 he was elected Master of Evangelic Lodge in Alexandria, and served two or three years. In 5826 he was elected Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of the District of Columbia, over which body R. W. Wm. W. Seaton was at the time Grand High Priest. They both retained their offices until 5830.

While in the Grand Chapter Brother Hammatt was appointed Grand Lecturer by the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. After his return to Boston in 5330, he was appointed Deputy Grand Master by R. W. Augustus Peabody; he served as Grand Commander of the Boston Encampment of Knights Templars; Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts ; and as Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Indeed there are few official places in Masonry that he had not filled, with credit to himself and in the great acceptance of his Brethren, by whom he was universally esteemed and beloved. He was rarely out of office, and as rarely absent from the meetings of any Body to which he belonged. Proficient in the Ritual of the various grades of the Order, he was always ready to fill, temporarily or otherwise, any place that might be vacant, or to aid with his counsel any officer who might need his services. He was probably the oldest Mason in this Commonwealth, and with few rare exceptions, the oldest in the country. He was certainly one of the most efficient and active. Until within the last few years, he had enjoyed almost uninterrupted health during his whole Masonic life, and his great happiness seemed to be in mingling with his Brethren and counselling them in their labors. About eighteen months since, being in feeble health, he fell in the street and sustained a serious injury, from which he never recovered, and which probably shortened his life some years. He died on the third day of June last, and was buried from the residence of his daughter in this city on the sixth. His remains were deposited in the Granary Burying Ground.

