



dispensation of the same date. At this meeting JAMES P. BARTLE was elected Master; THEODORE PARTRIDGE, Senior Warden; JOSEPH P. ROBERTS, Junior Warden; JOSEPH A. MILLER, Treasurer; ARTEMUS DOANE, Secretary; CALEB P. TIBBETTS, Senior Deacon; ABRAHAM FAIRCHILD, Junior Deacon; JOSEPH TIBBETTS and BENJAMIN CHITTENDEN, Stewards; JOHN BARSE, Tiler. In addition to the above at this meeting were WILLIAM POPPLE, RUFUS ANDREWS and JOHN DAGGETT. The second meeting was held February 18th, when a code of by-laws was adopted and five petitions for initiation were received. While working under dispensation nineteen candidates were initiated. The Lodge was instituted and dedicated on July 21, 1824, by OLIVER ALLEN, acting as Grand Master; a sermon was delivered by Rev. BRO. MORGAN and an address by Rev. SAMUEL W. BRACE.

The Lodge continued to meet regularly and prospered; the first year thirty-three names were added to its roll of membership.

The first election under the charter was held 1 Dec 1824, when the following officers were elected: JAMES P. BARTLE, Master; THEODORE. PARTRIDGE, Senior Warden; JOHN DAGGETT, Junior Warden; JOSEPH A. MILLER, Treasurer; ARTEMUS DOANE, Secretary.

**From 1829 to 1847 no regular meetings were held; the charter was never surrendered, as the members occasionally assembled,** and in the face of persecution and danger managed to maintain the legal existence of the Lodge.

The Morgan excitement was so intense at times that it was unsafe to meet except late at night, and the utmost secrecy was necessary to avoid trouble; even the fact of the existence of the Lodge was concealed.

No elections for officers were held; JAMES P. BARTLE, who was Master in 1829, erected a stone residence in the village, and he fitted up a room in the attic in which meetings were held for several years. During these troublesome and uncertain times no work was done, and no existing records throw any light upon the transactions of the Lodge; its history during these trying years is but a tradition. While no records exist, the fact remains that these noble men and loyal Masons had fortitude enough to brave the tide of persecution and sufficient courage to maintain and uphold the precious truths instilled into their minds at the altar of Freemasonry.

After the storm of persecution had abated, in 1847 the Lodge once more resumed its normal condition; meetings were regularly held in Odd Fellows' Hall until December 14, 1859, when the Masonic Hall, on the corner of Main and Palmyra Streets, was dedicated by M.'W.'. JOHN L. LEWIS, Grand Master: public services were held in the Presbyterian Church, where an address was delivered by the Grand Master.

The Lodge continued to grow, and on June 24, 1875, new and larger quarters were dedicated by R.'W.'. JOHN VANDENBURG, D.D., Grand Master of the Twenty-first Masonic District. A public meeting was held in the village park, the Lodge and visiting brethren were escorted to the park by Geneva and Zenobia Commanderies; the principal feature of the ceremonies in the park was an address by W.'. MARVIN I. GREENWOOD.

The festivities concluded with a dinner served by the ladies.

"Jubilee" services were held on April 24, 1889; the exercises consisted of vocal and instrumental music and addresses. A local newspaper in giving an account of the event said: "W.'. M. I. GREENWOOD delivered a stirring address, which was greatly enjoyed by those present. C. L. BENNETT read the minutes of the first meeting of the Lodge, held in 1824."

Prosperity continued with the Lodge, and in 1900 it again moved, this time to its present commodious quarters. On October 17, 1900, the corner-stone of the Public Library in the village of Newark was laid by M.'W.'. CHARLES W. MEAD, Grand Master; he was escorted to the site by the Lodge. The occasion attracted a large number of brethren from the surrounding country.

The building was erected by the munificence of HENRY C. REW of Chicago, who was a native of Newark.

The Lodge has upon its roll of membership seven clergymen, eight lawyers and ten physicians. With such an array of professional talent the spiritual as well as the temporal welfare of the members should be in a healthy condition.

The Lodge is also blessed with musical talent, having a trained choir of twenty voices. On 21 Dec 1904, the choir gave a public concert under the auspices of the Lodge; the entire proceeds of the concert, amounting to \$325, were placed in the hands of a village society, to be distributed as a Christmas offering to the poor; the Lodge-room was placed at the disposal of the society for the distribution of the gifts.

Several members of this Lodge participated in the War of 1812; a number also served in the Union army in the **Civil War**. Among those who gained distinction were:

ISAAC M. LUSK, Colonel, 111th N. Y. V.

**L(YCURGUS). D. LUSK, Captain, 17th N. Y. V. (photo) >**

EDWIN K. BURNHAM, Captain, 111th N. Y. V.

FREDERICK D. VANDERHOOF, Surgeon, 111th N. Y. V.

<http://www.cgazette.com/towns/Newark/history/913145047515.htm>

**JOHN DAGGETT** (portrayed by David Honness)



My name was John Daggett. I was born near Albany, in 1793. At an early age, I moved with my parents to Chenango County. There I learned the wool-carding and cloth-dressing business. About 1820 I moved my young family to the new settlement of Newark - then known as Miller's Basin. As a good all-around mechanic and millwright, I easily found employment in this developing area.

In 1824, with **James P. Bartle** as a silent partner, I established a foundry for the manufacture of woolen machinery on what is now known as South Main St. The business later occupied larger quarters on East Union St., on the banks of the Erie Canal. At one time I employed over 100 men. My firm supplied woolen manufacturing equipment as far east as Utica, as well as Pennsylvania, Ohio and Canada. My company may well be considered Newark's most successful early industry.

In 1861, my son-in-law urged me to move my business to Scottsville, Virginia. At the end of the Civil War, the plant burned down, so in 1866 I moved back to Newark and reopened business in the East Union Street location. Although active in my business, I found time to give to other activities in the growing community of Newark. At the first election of the Village of Newark after its incorporation in 1853, I became a village trustee and was chosen by my four colleagues as their first president. I thus became Newark's first mayor.

My wife and I were the parents of 15 children. Two of my sons went to California during the gold rush. The youngest, John, Jr., became successful as part-owner of a gold mine. He served four years as Lieutenant Governor of California and later was superintendant of the U.S. Mint in San Francisco. My busy life ended at aged 75 in 1868, and I was buried in this modest grave.

#### **COL. JAMES P. BARTLE** (portrayed by Douglas Kraai)

My name was James P. Bartle. I was born in Greene County, New York in 1791. I served in the War of 1812 and held a colonel's commission in the N.Y. State Militia. In Newark I was always known as "Col. Bartle." As a young man, I moved westward with my parents - first to the Junius area; later to the village now known as Phelps. From there I moved to Newark in 1820.

I became the managing partner in the firm of Norton, Bartle & McNeil. Under my management, this firm became one of the best-known and most extensive business houses in western. We bought and shipped produce, built boats on the Erie Canal, and engaged in general merchantile trade. I built Newark's first store in 1822 and became its first merchant.

In 1824, I was elected Supervisor of the Town of Lyons. A year later, when the Town of Arcadia was formed from the Town of Lyons, I was elected Arcadia's first supervisor. I was reelected four times. I was Newark's first postmaster, a post I held for 18 years. I served a term in the N.Y. State Assembly.

I was a trustee in Newark's first library. The same year, 1824, I helped organize the Masonic Lodge in Newark. For several years, lodge meetings were held in my home, a cobblestone mansion, torn down when the present Middle School was built. In 1824, I became financial backer of **John Daggett** in a foundry which became Newark's first industry. My busy life ended with my death in 1863 at age 72.

<http://wayne.nygenweb.net/history/1841gaz.html>

"In 1834, a white oak tree was cut in this town, two miles west of Lyons, measuring 4 1/2 feet in diameter. In the body of the tree, about 3 1/2 feet from the ground, was found a large and deep cutting by an axe, severing the heart of the tree, and exhibiting with perfect distinctness the marks of the axe at the present time. The whole cavity thus created by the original cutting was found to be encased by 460 years' growth of the wood, i.e., it was concealed beneath 460 layers of the timber, which had grown over it subsequently to the cutting. Consequently the original cutting must have been in the year 1372, or 118 years before the discovery of America by Columbus. The tree was cut by **James P. Bartle** of Newark, a forwarding merchant, and the timber used by him in building the boat Newark, now belonging to the Detroit line. The cutting was at least six inches deep."

**Marvin I. Greenwood**, (b. 31 Jan 1840, Chittenango, Madison Co., NY; d. 27 Dec 1917) of Newark, Republican, district attorney in 1876, member of Assembly 1888-89 and 1910. He occupied a prominent position in the State Legislature as a member of the rules committee, the ways and means committee and chairman of excise. He was a man of commanding presence, a fine speaker and for twenty-five years was one of the prominent lawyers in the county and one of the influential Republican leaders. He practiced law at Newark under the firm name of Greenwood & Harris. He made an Address to the Grand Chapter of the state of New York, Albany, 4 Feb 1896. (He was Grand High Priest). **MARVIN I. GREENWOOD**, 33<sup>o</sup>, was the son of Ira Greenwood and Clarissa Minerva Mosely. (Biography appears in the 1918 Proceedings, Supreme Council, A.A.S.R.)

**ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 30.—Assembleman Marvin I. Greenwood, Republican, of Wayne County, has declined a re-nomination. In a statement he says:**

**"I would not turn my hand over to go to Albany again. I would not put in another Winter like last Winter for the world."**

1910 – N.Y. Times

<http://wayne.nygenweb.net/families/cowlessketches2.html#baikin>

**Andrew C. Bartle**, was born in Wayne county 2 Dec 1828, and received his higher education at the Genesee Wesleyan Seminary at Lima, and at Clinton Liberal Institute. In early life he served as clerk in a wholesale hardware store in New York city. In 1853 he came to Newark, and engaged in lumbering with B. F. WRIGHT, under the firm name of Bartle & Wright, which continued two years. From 1855 to 1868 he carried on the business alone in Newark with a branch in Clyde, then took as partner Mr. Eames, this firm still continuing in Newark. May 10, 1854, he married Mary A. MULFORD, of Hulberton, Orleans couty, they have one daughter, Charlotte.

Mr. Bartle's father, **James P. Bartle**, was born in Freehold, Greene, 3 Jul 1791, and was a colonel in the war of 1812. While a young man he came to Newark, and married Louisa B. McNEIL, of Deerfield, Oneida county, by whom he had five children: Antoinette A., **Andrew C.**, Louisa T., Adelaide C., and Alice S. James P. Bartle was also the first postmaster in Newark, continuing until 1840. He was the first worshipful master of **Newark Lodge No. 83**, F&AM, and the first high priest of Newark Chapter No. 1 17, R. A. M. He died 24 Jan 1863, and his wife 6 Jan 1873. Andrew C. is a member of **Newark Lodge No. 83**, F&AM, and of Chapter 117, of Newark R. A. M., also of Monroe Commandery, Rochester, No. 12, K. T., and also a member of the A. O. U. W., No. 116. First two stores for general merchandise, distillery, boat-yard, produce business and various other branches of business, and identified with village improvements, erecting churches, hotels, printing offices and building roads and bridges.

**Hon. Edwin K. Burnham**, was born in Randolph, VT, 8 Sep 1839, educated in the common schools and the Royalton Academy and completing his studies at the Orange County (Vt.) Grammar School. In 1862 he enlisted in **Company C., 15th Vermont Infantry**, and was at the battle of Gettysburg, being honorably discharged as sergeant in 1863. In the spring of 1864 he graduated at the Albany Law School, and was admitted to practice in the courts of the State. In June of the same year he came to Newark and entered upon the practice of his profession as a partner of James E. Briggs, a native of his own State. In September of the same year he re-enlisted into the army, and 10 Oct 1864, was commissioned captain of **Company D., 111th Regiment, N.Y. Infantry**, and went with his regiment, participating in the engagements in and around Petersburg until taken prisoner 2 Apr 1865. He was returned to his regiment April 9, the day of Lee's surrender, and honorably discharged 4 Jun 1865.

Returning to Newark he began the practice of law, and in 1872 he founded the Newark Union. In the fall of 1884 he was elected to the Legislature, and was largely instrumental in the passage of a bill establishing the Custodial Asylum for Feeble-Minded Women at Newark, which is now a flourishing State institution, and of which he is secretary and a member of the Board of Trustees. In June, 1889, he was appointed superintendent of public buildings, which position he filled with credit and honor. One of the first innovations made by him was the rule that the national flag should float from the staff of the capitol every week day through the year, which was the origin of the movement to display the flag on public school buildings. Mr. Burnham owns a half interest in the Wayne County Preserving Company at Newark, and has twenty acres devoted to fruit and vegetable growing. He has served as justice of the peace eight years and as supervisor four terms. 31 Aug 1865, he married Nancy A. Dillingham, a niece of Governor Dillingham, and of their four children one daughter died in infancy, the others are George A., Edwin D., and Helen E. Mr. Burnham is a member of Vosburgh Post No. 99, G. A. R., of which he has been commander four terms. He is also a member of **Newark Lodge No. 83, F&AM**, and also of the I. O. O. F. No. 250, of the A. O. U. W. No. 17, and of the Grange.

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**Richard P. Groat**, of Newark, a prominent Republican leader, was appointed keeper of the almshouse and served in that office nine years. He was elected sheriff in 1870 and served one term. He was afterwards appointed internal revenue collector and served nine years. He served in the State Assembly (1889-91), was appointed postmaster of the village of Newark by President McKinley and served two terms in that office. Mr. Groat was born 29 Mar 1822, and died 27 Jul 1910, at the age of 88 years. For half a century he was one of the most intelligent, active and skillful political leaders who ever lived in the county.

<http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/NYCOLUMB/2002-11/1036484292>

May 18, 1822, a son of Jacob Groat and Jane Shufeldt was baptized at Claverack "Peter Groat". Oddly, that was the only time I've found him recorded as Peter. For the rest of his life it appears that he was officially Richard P. Groat and informally simply R. P. Groat. He is recorded as one of Wayne County's Representatives to the State Assembly (1889 - 1891) as Richard P. Groat.

<http://wayne.nygenweb.net/history/sightings1.html>

"Physicians of Wayne Co."

**DR. NEWELL E. LANDON**. Newell E. Landon, eldest son of Zera N. Landon and Sarah ADAMS, was born March 3d, 1852, in the village of Newark. He received his education at the Newark Union School and in October, 1872, began the study of medicine with the late Dr. Charles J. POMEROY of Newark, then one of the leading physicians of Wayne County. In September, 1873, Dr. Landon entered the Medical Department of Columbia College, graduating March 1st, 1876. After a competitive examination he received a hospital appointment, but declined it, accepting instead a partnership with his preceptor, Dr. Pomeroy. This partnership continued for three years. He then opened an office in Newark and after practicing two years removed to Rochester, where he practiced one and a half years, then returned to Newark where he has since resided.

Dr. Landon married Miss Mary EATON, a teacher in the Newark Union School, January 1st, 1880. Her death occurred in 1881. One child, a son, was born, who died in infancy. Dr. Landon was again married to Miss Alice D. RUSSELL, daughter of the late Capt. L. C. Russell of Port Gibson, October 20th, 1886.

The Doctor has had for many years a large and lucrative practice. He was for seven years attending physician and surgeon to "The State Custodial Asylum for Feeble-minded Women," in Newark, till the appointment of a resident physician, since then has been the consulting physician. In 1885, he was appointed surgeon for the Penn. R. R.--N. C. Division, and has also been surgeon for the W. S. R. R. since its completion.

[Note].The death of Dr. Pomeroy seemed to leave wide open a medical gap ( if I may be allowed the phrase), and as Dr. Landon was Dr. Pomeroy's attending physician, very naturally he was the one to enter and fill the same if found competent. Anyone knowing the position which Dr. Pomeroy occupied in Newark and its surrounding community cannot be ignorant of the difficulties with which one who followed him would have to contend. How well Dr. Landon has filled the "gap" one has only to feel the pulse of that community, as the writer often has, in order to know.

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nymonnws/1900/jan/17th.html>

A banquet, given by the New York Central Hose Company, No. 1, of the Newark fire department in honor of **Carlos A. STEBBINS**, of Quarry, Kansas, was held in the Langdon house last evening. Mr. STEBBINS was a former resident of Newark, and was the chief promoter of this large fire company's organization, which is now one of the crack drill companies of the state. After refreshments toasts were responded to and a smoker was enjoyed.

<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~janarmstrong/steg172.htm#17733>

**Carlos A STEBBINS** (Jr.) ([Carlos A](#) , [Erastus](#) , [Simeon](#) , [John III](#) , [John, Jr](#) , [John](#) , [Rowland](#) , [Thomas Francis](#) , [William](#) , [William](#) ) was born 10 Feb 1847 in Arcadia, NY; d. in Clear Creek Township, KS. Carlos m. **Hattie M KELLEY** d/o Forester KELLEY and Amanda MYRES on 10 Jul 1879. Hattie was born on 16 Sep 1859 in Sodus, NY; died in Clear Creek Township, KS.

Children:

- i **Lucina M STEBBINS** born 03 Apr 1881 in Clear Creek Township, KS.
- ii **Carlos A STEBBINS III** born 23 May 1882 in Clear Creek Township, KS.

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**Charles S. White**, was born in Rensselaer county 5 Sep 1833, educated in the district schools, and finished at private boarding school. He followed farming until 1862. 9 Sep 1856, he married Frances S. TIFFT, by whom he has one son, Fred. C. Mr. White came to Newark in 1874, having been in the mercantile trade at his old home for twelve years, and this business he has successfully followed since 1875, in this town. Fred. C. was educated in the common schools, with a year in Troy, and in the Union School and Academy. In 1880 he became a partner in the business, under the firm name of C. S. White & Son. He married Minnie M. HORTON, of East Newark, and they have a son, Elmer F. H.

Mr. White's father, Jacob White, was born in Medway, MA, in 1788, and was a manufacturer. In 1814 he married Prisa LEWIS, of Walpole, MA, and they had 11 children: Lewis, Sally, Prisa, Miranda, Philip, Jacob, David, William, **Charles S.**, Martha and Mary J. He came with his family to this state in 1816, where he died in 1870 and his wife in 1888, at the age of 94. Mrs. White's father, Sprague Tiff, was born in New York State in 1800, and married first a Miss CULVER, by whom he had one daughter, Lydia M. He married second Sophia B. WATSON, and had 12 children: George W., James E., W. Dewitt, **Frances S.**, H. Cordelia, Melinda V., Amelia C., I. Nelson, Watson, Lucerne, Emerson, and Martha A. Both parents are now living. Our subject is a member of **Newark Lodge No. 83, F&AM.**

#### MASTERS.

1824. James P. Bartle	1857. John Daggett	1874. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1891. Carlos A. Stebbins.
1825. James P. Bartle	1858. John Daggett	1875. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1892. Carlos A. Stebbins.
1826. Theodore Partridge	1859. Clark Mason	1876. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1893. William T. Pierson.
1827. Theodore Partridge	1860. Clark Mason	1877. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1894. William T. Pierson.
1828. John Daggert	1861. Clark Mason	1878. Gardner M. Soverhill.	1895. William T. Pierson.
1829. James P. Bartle	1862. Clark Mason	1879. Frank S. Peer.	1896. William C. Conrad.
	1863. Richard P. Groat	1880. Frank S. Peer.	1897. William C. Conrad.
1847. James P. Bartle	1864. Richard White	1881. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1898. William C. Conrad.
1848. James P. Bartle	1865. James D. Ford	1882. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1899. Joseph Gilbert.
1849. John Daggett	1866. John Daggett	1883. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1900. Joseph Gilbert.
1850. John Daggett	1867. Gideon L. Bennett	1884. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1901. Joseph Gilbert.
1851. John Daggett	1868. Chester Fanning	1885. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1902. Newel E. Landon.
1852. John Daggett	1869. Marvin I. Greenwood	1886. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1903. Newel E. Landon.
1853. John Daggett	1870. Marvin I. Greenwood	1887. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1904. Harry W. Spoor.
1854. James D. Ford	1871. Day L. Ford	1888. Marvin I. Greenwood.	1905. George W. Muth.
1855. James D. Ford	1872. Alexander Hays.	1889. Carlos A. Stebbins.	
1856. James D. Ford	1873. Richard P. Groat.	1890. Carlos A. Stebbins.	

1855 Listing:  
NEWARK LODGE, NO. 83.  
Newark, Wayne Co.

*Date of Charter, June 5th, A. L. 5824.*

Meets on Monday evening of the week of full moon, and two weeks thereafter.

James D. Ford, Worshipful Master,  
Lambert McCarn, Senior Warden,  
David P. Bostwick, Junior Warden,  
Gustavus Mills, Secretary,  
John Daggett, Treasurer,

T. M. Bristol, Senior Deacon,  
D. S. Eakin, Junior Deacon,  
Edward Ashby, Steward,  
John J. Smith, Steward  
Lemuel Sutherland, Tiler.

#### PAST MASTERS.

J. P. Bartle,  
John Daggett,  
J. D. Ford.

#### MEMBERS.

E. S. Adams,  
S. P. Adams,  
Y. G. Barney,  
Samuel Baldwin,  
Andrew C. Bartle,  
Wm. T. Barney,  
David Bellamy,  
A. V. Camp,  
C. A. Canfield,  
J. W. Cassiday,  
S. J. Childs,  
Stephen Dunwell,  
W. R. Fish,

Thomas Ford,  
D. W. Foster,  
Jacob Foster,  
E. T. Grant,  
Z. B. Gardnier,  
J. P. Gilbert,  
Archer Hays,  
Simon Haws,  
J. A. Hendrix,  
John Hoff,  
S. R. Holliday,  
S. R. Kellogg,

A. S. Langdon,  
D. H. Mandeville,  
Wm. Marble,  
Clark Mason,  
James McFeggan,  
Zebulon Moore,  
Robert S. Nellta,  
J. E. Niles,  
D. O'Neil,  
Wm. R. Parkhurst,  
Geo. Rorabacker,  
John H. Sahler,

T. P. S. Spencer,  
B. Darwin Smith,  
M. B. Smith,  
Steph. B. Smith,  
J. B. Stilson,  
Ruel Taylor,  
Dewitt C. Tomlinson,  
Pomeroy Tucker,  
S. K. Tuttle,  
J. Welling.

### **Putneyville Lodge No. 159, Williamson, New York**

WARRANT: The warrant in possession of the Lodge is dated June 2, 1880.

The first warrant issued, December 11, 1811, and the warrant issued when the Lodge was revived in 1850 are missing. Its **first number was 201**. When **revived in 1850 it received its present number, 159**.

MINUTES: Not intact. All records from 1829 to 1850 are missing.

The original warrant named as officers:

JACOB W. HALLETT, Master.

TIMOTHY SMITH, Senior Warden.

WILLIAM ROGERS, Junior Warden.

The officers named in the **warrant issued June 18, 1850**, were:

PHILANDER B. ROYCE, Master.

JOHN COTTRELL, Senior Warden.

HOSEA STRAIT, Junior Warden.

The warrant issued June 2, 1880, names as officers:

T. SCOTT LEDYARD, Master.

JOHN A. LANG, Senior Warden.

JOHN P. BENNETT, Junior Warden.

The original petition on file in the office of the Grand Secretary is dated Putneyville July 7, 1810, and is signed by the following:

Jacob W. Hallett.	Timothy Smith.
William Rogers, Jr.	Thaddeus Martin.
Elisha Wood.	Russell Whipple.
James T. Seely.	Freeman Hopkins.
Peter Thatcher.	Samuel Ledyard.
Eleazar Fairbanks.	Walter Waters.
Zadok Higgins.	

The petition has the following endorsement. "Read in Grand Lodge 5th June. 5811, and referred to the officers of the Grand Lodge."

On December 7, 1811, M.' W.'. DEWITT CLINTON- Grand Master, issued n dispensation directing W.' A. ENSWORTH of Mount Moriah Lodge to institute Putneyville Lodge and install its officers. For some unknown reason this was not done until December 12, 1812. when the Lodge was instituted and the following officers installed by W.' Bro. ENSWORTH:

JACOB W. HALLETT, Master.  
TIMOTHY SMITH, Senior Warden.  
WILLIAM ROGERS, JR., Junior Warden.  
JAMES T. SEELY, Treasurer.  
SAMUEL LEDYARD, Secretary.  
JOHN LAMBERT, Senior Deacon.  
ELISHA WOOD, Junior Deacon.  
RUSSELL WHIPPLE, Steward.  
WALTER WATERS, Tiler.

The Lodge appears to have thrived for a few years, and in all probability it would have continued to flourish had it not been for the anti- Masonic crusade. The **last returns on file, dated December 27, 1825**, gives a membership of thirty.

So far as can be learned from the meagre data in existence, it seems that after the close of the year 1825 the Lodge met at infrequent intervals, but **elected its officers regularly until December 26, 1833**. There is no record of any meetings held after this date. The last officers were:

HOSEA GAGE, Master.  
PHILANDER B. ROYCE, Senior Warden.  
JEREMIAH B. SELBY, Junior Warden.

Attached to the report of this election is a note signed by Andrew Cornwall, in which he says: "I would remark that on account of the prevalence of anti-Masonry said Lodge has omitted to meet except to attend to the annual election of officers . . . yet we have a faithful few and wish to ingratiate peace. We live in the infected district, and wish to be prudent to preserve said peace." In common with many other Lodges during this troublesome period, its effort to "ingratiate peace" failed, and it ceased to meet until the passions of blind prejudice had spent their force: consequently for almost seventeen years Masonry slumbered in that community.

The Lodge originally and for many years was located at Putneyville. Shortly after its revival in 1850 a change in location was considered. At a session of the Grand Lodge held **June 6, 1856**, a report made by the Committee on Warrants contained the following:

"A **petition was received from Putneyville Lodge, No. 159, asking for a change in its place of meeting from Putneyville to the village of Williamson**, which your committee recommend should be granted."

For some reason no further action was taken toward making a change at that time. On October 15, 1872, M.' W.'. CHRISTOPHER G. Fox Grand Master, gave the Lodge permission to remove to Williamson subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge, and on June 5, 1873, a resolution was adopted by the Grand Lodge permitting its removal, and it has since been located at Williamson.

It held "Jubilee" services April 24, 1889. It was represented at the laying of the corner-stone of the Home at Utica. May 21, 1891.

MEN IN PUBLIC LIFE.

J. P. Bennett. Assemblyman.  
L. S. Cuyler. County Clerk.

O. W. Powers, Supreme Court Judge, Utah.  
Andrew F. Sheldon, County Treasurer.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

Asahel Todd, District Deputy Grand Master.

Robert S. Carr. District Deputy Grand Master.

MASTERS OF No. 201.

1812. Jacob W. Hallett.  
1813. William Rogers.  
1814. William Rogers.  
1815. Peter Thatcher.  
1816. John Lambert.  
1817. John Lambert.  
1818. John Lambert.  
1819. John Lambert.

1820. Byron Green.  
1821. Byron Green.  
1822. Andrew Cornwall.  
1823. Andrew Cornwall.  
1824. Andrew Cornwall.  
1825. Russell Whipple.  
1826. Andrew Cornwall.  
1827. Andrew Cornwall.

1828. Jeremiah B. Selby.  
1829. Samuel Wilkins.  
1830. Hosea Gage.  
1831. Hosea Gage.  
1832. Hosea Gage.  
1833. Hosea Gage.  
1834. Hosea Gage.

MASTERS OF No. 159.

1850. Philander B. Royce.  
1851. Stephen Vaughn.  
1852. Stephen Vaughn.  
1853. John Cottrell.  
1854. Asahel Todd.  
1855. Stephen Vaughn.  
1856. H. Auchampach.  
1857. Samuel Vaughn.  
1858. John N. Brownell.  
1859. Asahel Todd.  
1860. H. Auchampach.  
1861. John S. Todd.  
1862. John S. Todd.  
1863. John S. Todd.  
1864. David S. Beardsley.

1865. M. Auchampach.  
1866. M. Auchampach.  
1867. T. Scott Ledyard.  
1868. H. Auchampach.  
1869. James M. Hinoff.  
1870. Andrew F. Sheldon.  
1871. H. Auchampach.  
1872. T. Scott Ledyard.  
1873. T. Scott Ledyard.  
1874. T. Scott Ledyard.  
1875. Alexander G. Austin.  
1876. Alexander G. Austin.  
1877. Alexander G. Austin.  
1878. Andrew F. Sheldon.  
1879. Alexander G. Austin.

1880. T. Scott Ledyard.  
1881. John A. Lang.  
1882. John A. Lane.  
1883. William W. Shipley.  
1884. William W. Shipley.  
1885. William W. Shipley.  
1886. James H. White.  
1887. James H. White.  
1888. William W. Shipley.  
1889. William W. Shipley.  
1890. William W. Shipley.  
1891. David L. Gordon.  
1892. Frank W. Clark.  
1893. C. E. Congdon.  
1894. John E. Tufts.

1895. Mortimer P. Tufts.  
1896. Mortimer P. Tufts.  
1897. Mortimer P. Tufts.  
1898. Mortimer P. Tufts.  
1899. Mortimer P. Tufts.  
1900. Mortimer P. Tufts.  
1901. Robert S. Carr.  
1902. Robert S. Carr.  
1903. Robert S. Carr.  
1904. Robert S. Carr.  
1905. Elwood H. Lapp.  
1906. Elwood H. Lapp.  
1907. Michael G. Vanlare.  
1908. William C. Hoagland.

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<http://books.google.com/books?id=rkUZAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA116&dq=%22harvey+Auchampach%22&cd=3#v=onepage&q=%22harvey%20Auchampach%22&f=false> page 115.

PULTNEYVILLE LODGE, No. 159.

Pultneyville, Wayne County.

Meets every Thursday, on or before each full moon; also every second Thursday, from November until May inclusive.  
*Lodge was first instituted A. L. 5811. Reorganized June 1<sup>st</sup>, A. L. 5850.*

Asahel Todd, Worshipful Master,  
Harvey Auchampach, Senior Warden,  
Caleb E. Congdon, Junior Warden,  
Ansel A. Cornwall, Treasurer,  
Charles Betcher, Secretary,

John Raymor, Senior Deacon,  
James Wake, Junior Deacon,  
Stephen Vaughn, Master of Ceremonies,  
Andrew Cornwall, Chaplain,  
E. L. Steegar, Tiler.

PAST MASTERS.

Andrew Cornwall.  
John Cottrall,  
Stephen Vaughn,  
Asahel Yale,

MEMBERS

**Harvey Auchampach,**  
**Stephen O. Auchampach,**  
David Beardsley,  
John P. Bennett,  
Charles Betcher,  
John Brownell,  
Tindal Calhoun,  
Caleb C. Congdon.,  
Ansel Cornwall,

Ansel A. Cornwall,  
Ebenezer Davis,  
John Hislop,  
Isaac Z. Hodges.  
Richard R. Mount,  
Benjamin Nichols,  
Sidney C. Moody,  
John Paddock,  
Andrew E. Pardee,

John Raymor,  
David Rosenburg,  
Robert Russell.  
Henry Sabins,  
Stephen Sabins,  
John Sheffield,  
E. L. Steegar,  
Albert S. Todd,  
Bethel Todd,

Asahel Todd,  
John S. Todd,  
Stephen Vaughn,  
William C. Vaughn,  
Frederick Wadhams,  
James M. Wake.  
Henry Ward, Jr.,  
Asahel Yale,

<http://wayne.nygenweb.net/families/cowlessketches2.html#baikin>

**Orlando Austin**, was born in Williamson, 3 Apr 1826, a son of Pasqua and Margaret (DAVIS), natives of Washington County. The grandfather of our subject was Pasqua Austin, a native of Rhode Island born in 1765, who came to Williamson about 1771, and died in 1834. The father of our subject came to Williamson in 1824, and bought part of the farm now owned by Orlando, to which he added later, retiring from active life at the age of 65. He died in 1886 and his wife in 1876. Orlando was reared on the farm and lived at home until the age of thirty. He then went to Iowa and superintended railroad work for a time, and then went to Wisconsin for a short time; thence to Chicago in 1856, when he invested in real estate. In 1858 he returned to this town, and three years later engaged as traveling salesman for nursery stock. Six years later he went west and engaged in the nursery business with Frank Norris, of Brighton, selling out to him after one year, and going to Iowa, where he engaged in the forest tree nursery business for four years. In 1876 he came to Williamson and married (1877) Clarissa M. BARKER of Pittsford. They resided in Pittsford five years. He then engaged in the real estate business in Rochester two years, afterwards traveling in the interest of a soda and baking powder house for a year. He then returned to Williamson and bought the homestead, where he has since lived. The place consists of 100 acres of fine land, on which he has made many improvements. He is member of **Pultneyville Lodge, No. 159**, F&AM. Mr. and Mrs. Austin had one daughter, Lula C.

<http://wayne.nygenweb.net/families/johngage.html>

**Hosea Gage**, son of Jesse and Mercy, was born 4 Mar 1802 in Johnsburg, Washington, NY. Hosea first married Jane Bennett, and had a son Hosea W. Gage, born in 1825. Jane died before 1833 in Wayne County, NY. He married second Electa Ann Hodges, born 1809 in Onondaga, NY. They had a son, William Gage, born in 1834.

<http://archiver.rootsweb.ancestry.com/th/read/ROYCE/1997-11/0879188560>

Reuben Royce, son of Samuel and Martha (Moss) Royce, was born and died in Wallingford, CT. He married Lois Doolittle 6 February 1777 and served as a Colonel during the Revolution. He had nine children, all born at Wallingford. However, among these children were:

Reuben Welcome Royce, bp. 16 Jun 1782, married 5 Nov 1806 Martha Benham.  
**Philander Bilson Royce** b. ca. 1788 in of Cheshire, New Haven, CT; d. 15 Aug 1869; m. 1) 23 Sep 1810 in CT, Tamar Esther Cowles, 2) Hannah Green, and 3) Orpha Warner.  
Rufus Alson Royce, bp. 29 Mar 1795 and married Mary L. Johnson.

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**Jeremiah Brainerd (aka Brainard) Shelby [4c5r]**

<http://books.google.com/books?id=zJkqAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA853&dq=%22Jeremiah+Brainard+Selby%22&cd=5#v=onepage&q=&f=false> page 853.

Jeremiah Selby, father of Jeremiah B. Shelby, was born in East Haddam. 9 Dec 1745, there married Sarah Cone, a daughter of Daniel or Jared Cone, there seeming to be some conflicting evidence on this point. In 1807 he migrated to New York State, making the removal with teams, it having been long before the day of railroads, and settled in Wayne County, at Sodus Bay, where both he and his wife spent the remainder of their lives. He died 15 Sep 1811 in Pulneyville, NY, and is buried in the Lakeview Cemetery, Williamson, NY.

Children:

1. Dyer Selby b. 14 Sep 1770  
2. Sarah Selby b. 14 Jun 1772  
3. Warren Selby b. 24 Jun 1776  
4. Ruth Selby b. 29 Sep 1779  
5. Hannah Selby b. 16 Nov 1781  
6. Dyer Selby b. 04 Jul 1784; in 1807 accompanied his parents to Wayne County, New York.  
7. Jared Cone Selby b. 23 May 1786 in East Haddam, Middlesex, CT  
**8. Jeremiah Brainerd Selby b. 01 Sep 1788, East Haddam, Middlesex, CT; m. Rachel Malory; son Dr. Jeremiah B. Selby, Jr. , b. 1822; d. 30 Sep 1846; removed to Wisconsin.**

<http://wayne.nygenweb.net/families/cowlessketches1.html>

**WILDER, F. S.**, was born in Russell, St. Lawrence, NY, 19 Jun 1850, the son of Brutus and Lucy TOWNSEND Wilder, he born in Orwell, Oswego county, 13 Oct 1828, and she in Philadelphia. Mr. Wilder came to Philadelphia in 1844, and engaged as a clerk in a drug store until 1849, when he came to Russell and began farming. He came to Williamson in 1865, and engaged in farming, and now owns a small farm. He was assessor in Russell for five years. Our subject was reared on a farm, and educated in Marion Academy. He learned the tinsmith trade, and bought out a tin shop in Marion, then went to Newark, and was in partnership there with his brother, John P., in the hardware business. In 1879 Mr. Wilder came to Williamson and engaged in the hardware business, and has been very successful. Mr. Wilder has been town clerk since 1887. He is a member of the **Pultneyville Lodge, No.159**, F&AM, the K.O.T.M., and the Protective Life Association of Rochester. In 1879 he married Eliza HOWELL, a native of Marion, and daughter of Israel Howell, and they have had two children, Lula M. and Elmer B.

### **Palmyra Lodge No. 248, Palmyra, New York**

WARRANT: The warrant in possession of the Lodge is dated March 8, 1852.

The name or number has never been changed.

MINUTES: Intact.

Palmyra Lodge was organized in the month of July, 1851: on the 26th of that month a petition was prepared and signed by the following:

Elijah Ennis.  
A. G. Myrick.  
Charles Hudson.

Frederick U. Sheffield.  
Thomas Robinson.  
Samuel Sawyer.  
William Pennel.

Samuel D. Huntington.  
Isaac E. Beecher.  
James P. Shoecraft.  
J. L. Dewey.

The petition nominated as officers:

CHARLES HUDSON, Master.  
FREDERICK U. SHEFFIELD, Senior Warden.  
ELIJAH ENNIS, Junior Warden.

A dispensation was issued on August 13, 1851, and on Wednesday evening, September 10, the first regular meeting was held with the following as officers:

CHARLES HUDSON, Master.  
JOHN DAGGETT, Senior Warden.  
ELIJAH ENNIS, Junior Warden.  
S. BALDWIN, Secretary.  
SAMUEL D. HUNTINGTON, Tiler.

In addition to the above there were present at this meeting Samuel Sawyer, Julius L. Dewey and John C. Calhoun.

The dispensation was read and the Lodge was duly opened. A committee was appointed to draft a code of By-Laws and another committee to negotiate with Wayne Lodge I. O. O. F., for the use of its hall for future meetings. Petitions for degrees were received from John A. Hudson, William B. Crandall and Thomas Douglass.

Crandall and Douglass received the first degree two weeks later.

The warrant named as officers:

CHARLES HUDSON, Master.  
ELIJAH ENNIS, Senior Warden.  
JOHN C. CALHOUN, Junior Warden.

The first meeting under the warrant was held March 24, 1852, when the Lodge was constituted and the following officers installed by Wor.'. JOHN DAGGETT, Master of Newark Lodge. No. 83:

CHARLES HUDSON, Master.  
ELIJAH ENNIS, Senior Warden.  
JOHN C. CALHOUN, Junior Warden.  
ALBERT O. MYRICK, Treasurer.  
THOMAS ROBINSON, Secretary.  
JAMES P. SHOECRAFT, Senior Deacon.  
JOHN A. HUDSON, Junior Deacon.  
SAMUEL D. HUNTINGTON, Tiler.

All three degrees were conferred at this meeting.

The first meeting place of the Lodge was in Odd Fellows' Hall on the third floor of what was for many years known as the Foster and Smith block, the rent was \$30.00 per year including wood and oil for heat and light.

The Lodge remained in these quarters until 1870, when it moved into its present quarters in the building owned by George W. Cuyler. The rooms were fitted and furnished by the Lodge, and on June 3, 1870, were dedicated by M.'. W.'. GEORGE O. BAKER, who at the time was District Deputy Grand Master of the Eighteenth Masonic District (now the Thirty-second District). The event was a notable one in the life of the Lodge, a procession was formed with Zenobia and Geneva Commanderies of Knights Templar acting as escort; the Lodge and its guests paraded the streets of the village. The District Deputy Grand Master says in his report: "I was assisted by R.'. W.'. and Rev. John G. Webster, Grand Chaplain; R.'. W.'. Aaron Griswold of Clyde Lodge; W.'. Bro. Wright of Weedsport Lodge; W. T. Scott Ledyard of Pultneyville Lodge and Brethren of various Lodges." An address was delivered by the Grand Chaplain.

At the conclusion of the dedicatory exercises the wife of the Grand Chaplain, in behalf of the wives, daughters and sisters of the members of the Lodge presented to the Lodge "The Three Great Lights in Masonry." This came as a great surprise, as the ladies had kept the presentation a profound secret.

A few days after this event R.'. W.'. BRO. WEBSTER presented an Altar to the Lodge, the same being his personal handiwork.

A beautiful custom of the Lodge is to present a copy of the Holy Bible to each candidate when raised. Each copy is suitably inscribed with the name of the candidate and date upon which he became a Freemason.

An incident which occurred on April 22, 1863, clearly shows that in one instance at least this custom was appreciated. A letter was received by the Lodge from one of its members asking the Lodge to replace the Bible he had received when a Mason, and which had been taken from him while a prisoner of war at Mumfordsville, Ky. His request was promptly complied with.

Of the charter members of Palmyra Lodge, Charles Hudson, Samuel D. Huntington, Samuel Sawyer and Frederick U. Sheffield were members of **Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 112**, and Truman Hemingway and Pomeroy Tucker, also members of this Lodge, affiliated with Palmyra Lodge shortly after it was organized, thus constituting a connecting link between these Lodges.

At a session of the Grand Lodge, held June 1, 1803, a petition was presented asking for a warrant for Mount Moriah Lodge. This petition was signed by the following:

Pearley Phillips.	Azel Ensworth.
Asa Lilly.	Timothy Smith.
John Swift.	Gain Robinson.
Joel Pressed.	Seth Deane.
Philetus Swift.	William Burnet.

The petitioners set forth that " they were inhabitants of the towns of Palmyra and of Phelps, residing at a distance of fifteen to twenty miles from any Masonic Lodge, and humbly pray your worships to grant us a charter by the name and style of Mount Moriah Lodge, with all the powers and privileges which other Lodges in this State have and enjoy, with this particular privilege, to wit, the right of convening the Lodge alternately at the Town of Palmyra and the Town of Phelps, or if the same be by your worships deemed improper then your petitioners pray a charter appointing their Lodge to be held at the Town of Palmyra only."

The petition nominated as officers:

PEARLEY PHILLIPS, Master.  
AZEL ENSWORTH, Senior Warden.  
TIMOTHY SMITH, Junior Warden.

The petition was **recommended by Ontario Lodge, No. 23**, of Canandaigua at a meeting held December 25. 1802.

The petition met with favor, and on **June 9. 1804, a warrant was issued** with the special privilege asked for, and it continued to meet alternately at Palmyra and Phelps until 1807. On March 6, a petition was prepared asking permission to meet at Palmyra only and endorsed upon it is the following:

"The prayer of the above petitioners appears to be reasonable, and I recommend the granting of it. Dewitt Clinton, 2 June, 1807."

The petition was granted by the Grand Lodge September 2, 1807, and the Lodge met thereafter at Palmyra only.

Among the old papers relating to this Lodge on file is the following bill:

R.' W.'. GRAND LODGE, STATE OF N. YORK.

To Asa Stanley, Dr.

For attendance at the Annual Communication as proxy for Mount Moriah Lodge, No. 112.

6 days at \$1.50	\$9.00
358/716 miles travel	
17J days	<u>26.25</u>
	\$35.25

New York 11 June 1821.

Rec'd Pay't.

ASA STANLEY.

A mutilated copy of the minutes of this Lodge was rescued from a second-hand book store by R.' W.'. GEORGE MCGOWN and presented to the Lodge. These old records contain the proceedings of the Lodge from July 9, 1804, to December 6, 1824.

On March 4, 1811, the Lodge adopted the following:

"RESOLVED, That in the future every candidate for Freemasonry be presented with the sacred writings at his initiation into the first degree of Freemasonry."

This custom prompted the adoption of a similar custom by Palmyra Lodge, the only difference being that in the old Lodge the presentation was made at initiation, while in Palmyra Lodge it is done when the candidate receives his third degree.

The last recorded meeting of Mount Moriah Lodge was held December 6, 1824, but subsequent meetings must have been held as among the returns of the Lodge on file in the office of the Grand Secretary is one dated June 1, 1831. It may be assumed that, owing to the intense and bitter persecutions occasioned by the Morgan Episode, the Lodge met occasionally, but made no record of its proceedings. The warrant was declared **forfeited by the Grand Lodge, June 4, 1835**.

On April 24, 1889, Palmyra Lodge held "Jubilee" services in celebration of the payment of the "Great Debt." On this occasion addresses were made by W.' EDWIN B. ANDERSON, W.' MARK G. FINLEY, R.' W.'. GEORGE MCGOWN and R.' W.'. S. NELSON SAWYER.

The Lodge was represented at the laying of the corner-stone of the Public Library at Newark, NY, October 17, 1900; the laying of the corner-stone of the Home at Utica, NY, May 21, 1891, and also participated in a reception given to the members of Company B, 33d Regiment, N. Y. S. V., upon their return from war May 20, 1863.

Palmyra Lodge has had an unbroken existence, and among its members are several who have gained distinction as

MEN IN PUBLIC LIFE.

Frederick W. Griffith. State Senator.  
S. Nelson Sawyer. Judge, Supreme Court.

Pliny T. Sexton, Member of the Board of Regents, State of New York.  
George McGown. Lieutenant-Col., U. S. A.

### **Pliny Titus Sexton (1840-1924)**

[http://www.moroni10.com/General\\_Conference/George\\_Albert\\_Smith\\_First\\_Talk.html](http://www.moroni10.com/General_Conference/George_Albert_Smith_First_Talk.html)

There had been written in that book at the time of its compilation the statement that the book would be received by many people. Joseph Smith didn't eliminate that statement when it came to publication. When the people said, "We'll not read it," he did not take it out and say, "Well, I can't fulfill this." If he had been writing the book himself, he probably would have changed the script, but it was not his script, and so it went to the world. I was present a few years ago when the Smith farm near the Hill Cumorah was purchased, and as I went through the neighborhood I found only one copy of the Book of Mormon. That was owned by a man named **Pliny T. Sexton**, who was chancellor of the University of New York and the banker at Palmyra. He had a copy of the first edition of the Book of Mormon as it came from the press. The leaves had never been cut, and he kept it in the safe in the bank. I asked him, "Is there any place here where I can find another copy of the Book of Mormon?" He said, "I do not know." I then began to inquire among the people and found that the people of Palmyra had kept their word. They had neither bought nor would they read it. At that time Palmyra was a village and is still a village, but the Book of Mormon that was discredited then has since been read and accepted by people in all parts of the earth, people from many nations, numbering hundreds of thousands . . .



< In this photograph is Lucy Woodruff Smith standing on top of the Hill Cumorah with **Pliny T. Sexton**, who was the owner of most of the hill. The Mormon Church eventually acquired all of the property around the Hill Cumorah, including the hill, by 1928.

"The New York Red Book," 1902. page 131.  
<http://books.google.com/books?id=xo8aAAAAYAAJ&pg=RA2-PA131&dq=%22Frederick+W.+Griffith%22+%22palmyra%22>

**Frederick Winter Griffith**, Republican, who represents Wayne county in the Assembly, was born in the town of Phelps, Ontario county, 17 Dec 1858. His boyhood days were passed on the farm and in the district school. His preparatory education was obtained in the Phelps Union and Classical School. For five years he worked at newspaper work with his uncle, the editor of the Geneva Courier. Mr. Griffith entered Hamilton College in 1882, and was graduated with high standing in the class of 1886, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He is a member of the scholarship society of Phi Beta Kappa. His education was secured through his own efforts. After graduation he was given the chair of Greek and Latin in Kirkland Hall, a preparatory school at Clinton, NY.

In 1889 his Alma Mater gave him the honorary degree of A. M. It was not, however, until Mr. Griffith located in Palmyra that he found his true forte; for, notwithstanding his ability as a scholar, he has still greater powers as a business man. In 1887 he associated himself with the Garlock Packing Company, manufacturing packings for steam, water and ammonia. This business has had a wonderful development, and now the firm has branch offices in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Denver, San Francisco, St. Louis, Pittsburg, Cleveland, Boston and other cities. The output of the firm, yearly, is very large. Mr. Griffith has held the office of Trustee of the village of Palmyra for four years, and was Supervisor of the town of Palmyra for two years, which latter office he resigned upon being elected Member of Assembly. He is an elder in the Western Presbyterian Church of Palmyra. At the election of 1899 Mr. Griffith received 4,973 votes to 3,594 cast for M. C. Taylor, Democrat. Mr. Griffith, in 1900, was appointed a member of the following Assembly Committees: Public Education, Affairs of Villages, and Charitable and Religious Societies.

Renominated in 1900 Mr. Griffith received 7,950 votes to 4,457 votes cast for Jacob E. Brasser, Democrat.

In the Assembly of 1901 Mr. Griffith was Chairman of the Committee on Public Education, and a member of the following Committees: Villages, Public Institutions. Renominated a second time in 1901 Mr. Griffith received 4,102 votes and his Democratic opponent, Frank L. Waldruft, 1,905. Speaker Nixon, in 1902, appointed Mr. Griffith a member of the following Assembly Committees: Chairman of Public Education; member of Banks and Trades and Manufactures.

#### GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.

**John G. Webster** was District Deputy Grand Master from June, 1860, until June, 1863: Grand Steward in 1862, and was Grand Chaplain from 1869 until his death, September 27, 1887. He was elected Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of the State of New York in 1859 and in 1886 he was appointed Grand Prelate of the Grand Encampment of the U. S., both of these offices he held at the time of his death. For twenty years he was Grand Chaplain of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the State of New York.

**George McGown**, District Deputy Grand Master. Bro. McGown was made a Mason in Wyoming Lodge, No. 492, West Chester, NY, while stationed with his regiment (2d Infantry) at Fort Schuyler. He affiliated with Palmyra Lodge July 3, 1871: was Master in 1872-73- 74-75, and its Secretary eleven years. He was appointed Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter R. A. M. in 1884, and still holds that office.

**S. Nelson Sawyer**, Grand Master. Bro. Sawyer was raised in Palmyra Lodge October 22, 1879, and was Master in 1887-88. He was District Deputy Grand Master in 1889-90-91: Commissioner of Appeals. 1892-93-94-96-97 and 1900: Junior Grand Warden, 1901: Senior Grand Warden, 1902-03-04-05 : Deputy Grand Master, 1906-07; Grand Master, 1908-09.

George S. Tinklepaugh, Commissioner of Appeals.

#### MASTERS.

1851. Charles Hudson.	1872. George McGown.	1893. Alfred C. Hopkins.
1852. Charles Hudson.	1873. George McGown.	1894. Alfred C. Hopkins.
1853. Elijah Ennis.	1874. George McGown.	1895. Louis M. Chase.
1854. Thomas Robinson.	1875. George McGown.	1896. Louis M. Chase.
1855. John C. Calhoun.	1876. Henry P. Knowles.	1897. James L. Harrison.
1856. William B. Crandall.	1877. Joseph W. Taylor.	1898. James L. Harrison.
1857. William B. Crandall.	1878. Wells Tyler, Jr.	1899. George S. Tinklepaugh.
1858. William B. Crandall.	1879. Wells Tyler, Jr.	1900. George S. Tinklepaugh.
1859. Seneca B. Smith.	1880. John C. Coates.	1901. William J. Deans.
1860. William B. Crandall.	1881. John C. Coates.	1902. William J. Deans.
1861. Thomas L. Root.	1882. Oliver Durfee.	1903. William J. Deans.
1862. Thomas L. Root.	1883. Oliver Durfee.	1904. Charles F. Griswold.
1863. Clark S. Chase.	1884. Henry Birdsall.	1905. Charles F. Griswold.
1864. Clark S. Chase.	1885. Henry Birdsall.	1906. George W. Barnes.
1865. Clark S. Chase.	1886. Edwin B. Anderson.	1907. George W. Barnes.
1866. Mark C. Finley.	1887. S. Nelson Sawyer.	1908. Sanford D. Van Alstine.
1867. Mark C. Finley.	1888. S. Nelson Sawyer.	1909. William J. Hennessy.
1868. John G. Webster.	1889. Charles II. Brigham.	1910. William J. Hennessy.
1869. John G. Webster.	1890. Charles H. Brigham.	1911. George A. Tuttle.
1870. Timothy S. Jackson.	1891. Seiner E. Brainan.	
1871. Joseph W. Corning.	1892. Seiner E. Brainan.	

## **Walworth Lodge No. 254, Walworth, New York**

WARRANT: The warrant in possession of the Lodge is dated June 8, 1852.

The name or number has never been changed.

MINUTES: Not intact.

Walworth Lodge was organized in December, 1851, **by some survivors of Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 321.**

The petition dated December 30, 1851, is signed by the following:

Abel Wyman.	Jones Findley.
Tappin Merrill.	William D. Wylie.
John Findley.	Isaac Barnhart.
Nathaniel Bates.	Thomas Bancroft.

All of these petitioners were formerly members of Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 321.

The petition nominated as officers:

ABEL WYMAN, Master.  
JONES FINDLEY, Senior Warden,  
TAPPIN MERRILL, Junior Warden,

and was **recommended by Penfield Union Lodge, No. 154.**

On January 8, 1852, a dispensation was issued by M.' W.'. OSCAR COLES, Grand Master.

The first meeting under the dispensation was held February 3, 1852, with the following as officers:

ABEL WYMAN, Master.	WILLIAM D. WYLIE, Secretary.
JONES FINDLEY, Senior Warden.	NATHANIEL BATES, Senior Deacon.
TAPPIN MERRILL, Junior Warden.	ISAAC BARNHART, Junior Deacon.
JOHN FINDLEY, Treasurer.	GEORGE GRIMES, Tiler.

At this meeting petitions for degrees were received from Charles Wyman, Vilinder Nimes, James G. Sheffield, Joseph P. Smith and John A. Horner.

The first initiate was Charles Wyman.

The warrant issued June 8, named as officers:

ABEL WYMAN, Master,  
JONES FINDLEY, Senior Warden,  
TAPPIN MERRILL, Junior Warden,

and on June 24th the officers were publicly installed by William E. Lathrop, and an address was delivered by Rev. William E. Goodwin, D.D.

The Lodge is located in its own building, the first story being rented for business purposes and the upper story is fitted exclusively for the use of the Lodge.

In October, 1878, these quarters were dedicated by R.' W.'. JOHN VANDENBERG, District Deputy Grand Master, assisted by R.' W.'. JOHN G. WEBSTER, Grand Chaplain.

Rising Virtue Lodge, No. 321, the predecessor of Walworth Lodge, was organized during the fall of 1818. The petition dated September 10th was signed by the following:

Thomas Bancroft.	Aaron Rice.
Alpheus Nims.	Benjamin Hill.
Daniel Douglass.	George Mathewson.
Noah Norton.	Samuel B. Bradley.
Thomas Tumpshall.	Elijah Baker.
Adanijah Blackman.	Daniel Mathewson.
Enos Palmer.	Leceister Robbins.
Reuben Jennings.	Daniel Ethridge.
Milton Wooster.	Samuel Sabins.

The petition nominated as officers:

JAMES BUCKLEY, Master.  
RHODOLPHUS GRANDY, Senior Warden.  
ASAHEL HAZELTON, Junior Warden.

The **petitioners were formerly members of Mount Moriab Lodge, No. 112, and Pultneyville Lodge, No. 201**, and both of these Lodges recommended the petition. The petition was read in Grand Lodge March 3, 1819, and on March 8th a warrant was issued.

The Lodge was constituted and the following officers installed by Ira Selby on June 18, 1819:

JAMES BUCKLEY, Master.	GEORGE MATHEWSON, Senior Deacon.
RHODOLPHUS GRANDY, Senior Warden.	ENOS PALMER, Junior Deacon.
ASAHEL HAZELTON, Junior Warden.	LEICESTER ROBBINS, Steward.
ELIJAH BAKER, Treasurer.	DANIEL ETHRIDGE, Steward.
DANIEL DOUGLASS, Secretary.	ISAAC JENNINGS, Tiler.

The last returns of the Lodge on file are dated June, 1831; it then had twenty-one members.

MASTERS,

1852. Abel Wyman.	1872. William B. White.	1892. Edward M. Rodenberger.
1853. Jones Findley.	1873. William B. White.	1893. Edward M. Rodenberger.
1854. Thomas Mitchell.	1874. J. Jay White.	1894. Edward M. Rodenberger.
1855. Abel Wyman.	1875. J. Jay White.	1895. Clarence B. Palmer.
1856. William D. Wylie.	1876. J. Jay White.	1896. Clarence B. Palmer.
1857. Vilinder Nims.	1877. Harrison J. Foskett.	1897. Clarence B. Palmer.
1858. Abel Wyman.	1878. Harrison J. Foskett.	1898. Walter B. Slade.
1859. Abel Wyman.	1879. Harrison J. Foskett.	1899. Walter B. Slade.
1860. Ammi C. Smith.	1880. Isaac Durfee.	1900. James Clark.
1861. Abel Wyman.	1881. Harrison J. Foskett.	1901. James Clark.
1862. Abel Wyman.	1882. Julian J. Findley.	1902. James Clark.
1863. Isaac Durfee.	1883. Julian J. Findley.	1903. Walter B. Slade.
1864. Isaac Durfee.	1884. Julian J. Findley.	1904. Clarence B. Palmer.
1865. Lewis R. Lumbard.	1885. Julian J. Findley.	1905. George Patterson.
1866. Isaac Durfee.	1886. Charles Reeves.	1906. George Patterson.
1867. Isaac Durfee.	1887. Charles Reeves.	1907. Fred M. Daansen.
1868. J. Jay White.	1888. John H. Plyter.	1908. Jacob Pembroke.
1869. Isaac Durfee.	1889. Charles H. Reeves.	1909. Jacob Pembroke.
1870. J. Jay White.	1890. Charles H. Reeves.	1910. Richard B. McOmber.
1871. J. Jay White.	1891. Hiram McKee.	1911. Richard B. McOmber.

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**J. Carlton Norris**, M. A., Canandaigua, was born in Palmyra on the farm settled by his grandfather, Silas, and owned by his father, Jacob. The early life of our subject was spent in the town of his birth, where he received his first education in the district school and at the Marion Collegiate Institute. In 1866 he entered Phillips Academy at Andover, MA, where he remained two years. In 1873 he became principal of Walworth Academy, and filled that position until coming to Canandaigua Academy in the fall of 1885. The patronage of the academy has greatly increased under his management and he had over 100 students under his care. Prof. Norris married in 1872 Julia Helen, d/o J. D. Bennett, of Walworth, by whom he had one son. Prof. Norris was one of the board of police commissioners of Canandaigua, a deacon in the Congregational church, and a member of **Walworth Lodge, No. 254**, F&AM.

### **Clyde Lodge No. 341, Clyde, New York**

Organized Masonry began in Clyde in 1823 when a charter was granted to Galen Lodge No. 367c [Seneca County – chartered 6 Jun 1823]. At this time the horse was the only motive power for land travel the Genesee Turnpike, the great highway for stages and freight wagons, the Erie Canal not yet completed, and homes candle lighted.

It attained a membership of 68, most whom withdrew. In 1832 they decided suspend until the anti-Masonic excitement subsided. In July 6, 1854, Clyde Lodge No. 341 was organized and succeeded to the furniture and jewels of Galen Lodge. John Condit was Master of Galen Lodge when it closed and the first Master of Clyde Lodge. He was a blacksmith by trade. He died in 1864 and is buried in Maple Grove Cemetery.

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**J. NEWTON ARNOLD, M. D.** Dr Arnold's death occurred at his home in Clyde, NY, on 17 May 1902. The announcement is given in the Rochester *Democrat and Chronicle*, which contains the following short sketch of his life:

Dr. Arnold was one of the best-known physicians and surgeons of Wayne county. He was a graduate of the Albany Medical College, in the class of 1862. The year before he enlisted in the 3rd NY Infantry, and served a short time. In 1862, after his graduation, he was appointed assistant surgeon of the 7th NY Heavy Artillery, and was later commissioned a surgeon, serving until the end of the war He went to Clyde in the spring of 1869, and formed a partnership with Dr. Jarvis E. Smith, whose death occurred a few weeks ago. Dr. Arnold was, at the time of his death, secretary of the Wayne County Medical Society, a position which he held for several years, and was also a member of the New York State and American Medical Associations. He acted as surgeon of the Wayne County Soldiers' and Sailors' Association He was a prominent member of **Clyde Lodge, No. 341**, F&AM, and secretary of Griswold Chapter, No. 201, R. A. M. During his residence of many years in Clyde he held various offices in Snedaker Post, No. 173, G. A. R., being several times commandant. He was 65 years of age.

1855

CLYDE LODGE, NO. 341.

Clyde, Wayne Co.

Meets on Tuesday of the week in which the moon fulls; and every Second Tuesday thereafter. .

*Date of Charter, July 6th, 1854.*

John Condit, Worshipful Master,  
Joseph Watson, Senior Warden,  
Moses Munn, Junior Warden,  
W. G. Elliott, Secretary,  
Wm..C. Ely, Treasurer,

Jacob Van Buskirk, Senior Deacon,  
Sylvester Childs, Junior Deacon,  
J. L. Tucker, Steward,  
P. M. Dezeng, Steward,  
Isaac Thalheimer, Tiler.

MEMBERS.

John J. Dickson  
A. P. Glenn,  
Aaron Griswold

Sylvanus Mott.  
Luther Redfield,  
Seth Smith,  
Joseph Welling

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**W. R. Vrooman**, D.D.S., was born in Dixon, IL, 5 Dec 1858, where his father, S. A. Vrooman, was engaged in the mercantile business. He is a direct descendant of the old Knickerbocker stock, amongst whom were the several Vrooman brothers who came from Holland to the United States and settled in the Mohawk Valley about 1760. At an early age he removed to Canada where he was educated at St. Catharine's Collegiate Institute and Toronto University; and, graduating from Toronto Normal School, taught a number of years in Ontario successfully, also a graduate of the Dental Department of Toronto University, member of the Royal College of Dental Surgeons and honor graduate of the Pennsylvania College Dental Surgery, receiving the honors of his class of 300 members. In 1888 he came to Clyde and established himself in his profession in which he is actively engaged. At the age of 32 he married Jessie B., daughter of the late Hon. J. S. L'AMOREAUX, of Clyde. They are the parents of one daughter, Marjorie Roselle. Thoroughly scientific in his attainments, he employs nothing but the latest and most scientific methods in his profession. A close student and lover of science, he is now pursuing a course of medical studies in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, from which institution he expects to graduate at an early date. He is prominently identified with the Masonic order, being a member of **Clyde Lodge**, F&AM, Griswold Chapter, R. A. M., and Zenobia Commandery Knights Templar of Palmyra, N. Y.

**Walcott Lodge No. 560, Walcott, New York**

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**Anson Sprague Wood**, was born in Camillus, Onondaga, NY, 2 Oct 1834. His father, Alvin, was of English ancestry, and his mother, Fanny Woodworth, of New England descent. Early in the forties Alvin Wood removed with his family to Butler, Wayne county, where he continued to reside until his death in 1874. Anson S. was the youngest of a large family of children, three others of whom are still living and residents of Wayne county: Mary, wife of William FOWLER; Frances, wife of Christopher C. CAYWOOD, of Butler; and Benham S. Wood, of Wolcott.

Anson S. Wood was educated in the district schools, and also attended the Red Creek Union Seminary. In 1853 he began the study of law in Syracuse, which he continued in Clyde in the office of C. D. LAWTON, and afterwards of Judge L. S. KETCHUM. In the winter of 1854 he engaged in teaching. In the fall of 1855 he attended the Albany Law School, and was admitted to the bar in December of that year. During the early part of 1856 he resided at South Butler, and was elected town supervisor of common schools. In July, 1856, he removed to Lyons, where he formed a co-partnership with Hon. William Clark. He continued to practice law in company with Mr. Clark and Hon. Dewitt Parshall until September, 1862, in the meantime (1858-1859) serving two years as town clerk of the town on Lyons.

In the fall of 1862 he responded to the call for volunteers to defend the Union, and was commissioned as first lieutenant in the **138th N.Y. Volunteer Infantry**, afterwards known as the **9th N. Y. Heavy Artillery**. After the regiment reached Washington Lieutenant Wood was assigned to duty as adjutant. In June, 1863, he was promoted to a captaincy and detailed to duty at the draft rendezvous at Elmira, NY, and was for some time assistant adjutant-general at that post. In May, 1864, at his own request, he was returned to his regiment and to the command of his company. He was engaged in the battles of Cold Harbor, Petersburg, Monocacy, Winchester, and Fisher's Hill. In October, 1864, he was placed on the staff of General J. B. Ricketts, who commanded the third division of the famous Sixth Corps. General Ricketts was severely wounded at the battle of Cold Harbor, and was succeeded in command by Gen. Truman Seymour, with whom Captain Wood continued as judge advocate of the division. In February, 1865, he was promoted to major of his regiment, and as such participated in the taking of Petersburg and the capture of Lee's army. For meritorious service before Petersburg he was brevetted lieutenant-colonel. The regiment was mustered out in May, 1865, when Colonel Wood returned to Wayne county, purchasing a farm in Butler.

In 1866 he was elected supervisor of that town. In 1867 he became assistant assessor of the United States Internal Revenue, a position which he resigned in the fall of 1869 to accept the Republican nomination for member of assembly from the first district of Wayne county. In the meantime he had removed to Wolcott and resumed the practice of law. Colonel Wood was elected to Assembly that fall, and re-elected the following year. 1 Jan 1872, he was appointed deputy secretary of state under G. Hilton Scribner, holding the office two years, when he again returned to his home at Wolcott and his law practice. In 1879 Gen. Joseph B. Carr was elected secretary of state, and he called Colonel Wood back to Albany to his former desk as deputy secretary, where he continued six years. In 1883 he was one of the secretaries of the Republican State Committee. In 1885 Colonel Wood was the unanimous nominee of the Republican State Convention for secretary of state, but was defeated with the rest of the Republican ticket. He remained in Albany for over a year engaged in the practice of law, when he again returned to Wayne county, taking up his residence at Wood's Island, Port Bay, in the town of Huron, and resuming his law practice at Wolcott, which he has continued since. At present he is associated with Hon. George S. Horton.

Colonel Wood, in addition to the other public positions, has filled the office of president of the village of Wolcott, trustee of the Wolcott Union Free School, justice of the peace, and supervisor of the town of Huron. He was the moving spirit in the organization of the William Dutton Post No. 55, G. A. R., at Wolcott (subsequently changed to Keesler Post No. 55), of which he has been commander several terms. He has also served as assistant quartermaster-general of the G. A. R., department of New York, and has been a member for many years of **Walcott Lodge No. 560**, F. & A.M. Colonel Wood has been repeatedly a delegate to Republican State Conventions, and his services as a speaker have long been in great demand in political campaigns. He has spoken in every county in this State, and has been called upon by the National and State Committees to make speaking tours of Maine, Massachusetts, Vermont, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa.

In 1858 Colonel Wood married Martha Louise VICKY, of Youngstown, Niagara county. Mr. and Mrs. Wood have two children living William Clark Wood, M.D., and Robert Alvin. Dr. Wood is a graduate of the Albany Medical College (1880), and is a successful

practitioner at Gloversville, NY. Robert A. is a graduate of Union College (1881), a lawyer and newspaper contributor, and resides at Albany.

### **Marion Lodge No. 926, Marion, New York**

**Fred L. Vanostrand**, a native of Marion, born 29 Aug 1834, is the second of nine children of Charles and Sally (SANFORD) VANOSTRAND. Her father, Stephen Sanford, one of the pioneers of Marion, came from Tiverton, R.I., and settled in Marion when 21 years of age. The grandfather was Charles, who spent most of his life in Saratoga county and died aged 94 years. The father was bound to millwright trade at the age of 14, and at the age of 21 went to Canada. He built the first saw mill in Mexico, and put up the first thrasher in Western New York. He died in Marion in 1874, aged 77. Fred L. was reared on the farm and educated at the Marion Institute. He married in 1858 Lydia, daughter of Daniel and Hannah DEAN, of Marion, and they had one son and one daughter: Byron D. and Mary H. Byron married Eva BROWN, and is county superintendent of public schools in Marion, Kan.; is a graduate of Cornell University, and is also a practicing lawyer. He is superintendent of city schools of Marion, KS. Mr. Vanostrand has always followed farming, his home being in Marion, but has spent some time in Kansas. He carried on general farming and fruit growing, also dairying. He is a member of the Grange, also a member of A.O.U.W., and of **Marion Lodge No. 926**.

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### SECRET SOCIETIES - FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS

The first lodge of Free and Accepted Masons in what is now Wayne county, was organized in 1811, as **Pultneyville Lodge No. 159**. It continued work with a fair degree of prosperity until the Morgan anti-Masonic warfare swept over this State, when it succumbed. It was reorganized after 1850 under the same name, with Philander B. Royce, master. Its meetings were continued there until 1872, when the lodge and its property were removed to Williamson village, where it has since remained. At the time of its organization it had only seven members; it now has twenty-seven, and the following principal officers for 1894: John E. Tufts, WM; Mortimer P. Tufts, SW; Arthur Shipley, JW; George F. Cheetham, treasurer; Wilham Pound, secretary.

**Humanity Lodge, No. 283. F&AM** — 14 Aug 1817 (first meeting); surrendered in 1832. This was one of the more conspicuous of the early Masonic lodges of Wayne and its roll of membership embraces many names of early citizens and others down to recent years, who were prominent in the community in many ways. Preliminary to the ceremony of installation in the old lodge a meeting of those interested met in a building owned by Moses Hurlbert on 14 Aug 1817. Here a procession was formed which marched to the Methodist meeting-house where a discourse was delivered by Brother Farley, following which Humanity Lodge was duly installed with its officers, by Philetus Swift, D. G. M., assisted by others of the Grand Lodge.

The following were the first officers of this lodge: Ezra Jewell, WM; David June, SW; Gabriel Rogers, JW; Josiah Wright, treasurer; Hiram Payne, secretary; Henry Seymour, SD; William Stills, JD; Peter Eisenlord and Oliver Granger, stewards; Samuel Davis, tyler.

The first persons initiated by this lodge were Jacob Leach, and Moses B. Hurlburt. The committee to prepare by-laws were H. Payne, Ezra Jewell, and Gabriel Rogers. The following is a nearly complete list of those who signed the by-laws during the life of the lodge, and is of interest as naming many of the leading citizens of that day:

John Adams,	Thomas E. Dorsey,	William G. Hough,	Ora Piatt,
Nelson Aldrich,	Upton Dorsey,	Orville L. Hovey,	Francis Pomeroy,
Oliver Allen,	John Drake,	Cyrus Huor,	Jenks Pullen,
Phineas B. Austin,	Daniel Dunn,	Moses B. Hurlburt,	Charles Raynor,
Alexander Beard,	William Efner,	Jeremiah S. Jenkins,	Freeman Rogers,
Abraham L. Beaumont,	Peter Eisenlord,	Edward Jones,	Samuel Rossitur,
Henry Beaumont,	Robert Ennis,	Horatio G. Kingsbury,	Daniel R. Rozell,
James J. Bernet,	Joseph Ennis,	Abraham Knapp,	James Sears,
Peleg Betteys,	Abraham Fairchild,	L. R. Lalett,	Elisha Sisson,
Eli Blair,	Stephen Ferguson,	James Lamon,	William Sisson,
Aaron S. Boylan,	Reuben H. Forster,	Ziba Lane,	Nehemiah Sprague,
Abner Brown,	Caleb Gilber,	Jacob Leach,	Edward Swail,
Hugh Brown, Jr.,	Jacob M. Gilbert,	Adam Learn,	John S. Tallmadge,
Sawyer Bullock,	John Gilbert,	John Lewis,	Newell Taft,
Edward Burrell,	Orin W. Giles,	Sanford Lipan,	William Trowbridge,
John W. Carrigan,	Lyman Granger,	Michael Miller,	John Varnum,
Peter Carney,	Oliver Granger,	Stephen M. Palmer,	Harris West,
Charles Champlin,	Aaron Griswold,	Calvin D. Palmeter,	James Westfall,
Graham H. Chapin,	William C. Guest,	William Parker,	Nathan Worden,
William Clark,	Jesse Gulick,	Abner Pease,	Pardon Worden,
John Condit,	John S. Hall,	John Perrine, Jr.,	Henry Yerington,
Hiram S. Day,	Joseph Hall,	William C. Perrine,	
Joseph M. Demmon,	Thomas Hawley,	W. Perrine,	
Andrew Dorsey,	L. Hazen,	David Peterson,	

a total of 101 names.

The masters of this lodge were Ezra Jewell, Jacob M. Gilbert, and Henry Seymour.

The last recorded meeting of old Humanity Lodge took place 8 Apr 1834, and doubtless the wave of anti-Masonry caused the surrender of the charter.

**Humanity Lodge No. 406**, was instituted in May, 1856, under dispensation from the Grand Lodge at Odd Fellows Hall, Lyons, with fourteen charter members as follows:

William H. Sisson, Henry Graham, Jr., Southard Lewis, J. Welling, Daniel Ford, Zebulon Moore, John Gilbert, Daniel R. Rozell, Newell Taft, Ziba Lane, Darius H. Denton, and A. I. Van Camp.

The first officers were: William H. Sisson, WM; Henry Graham, Jr., SW; S. Lewis, JW; J. Welling, secretary; Daniel Ford, tiler.

The past masters have been:

J. Welling, who served eight years;	Beardsley Van Alstyne,	John B. Stoll,
Henry Graham, Jr.,	Milton E. Mirick,	George W. Koester,
Joseph McCall,	Daniel Althen,	William E. McCollum.
Seth C. Searle,	William E. Hines,	

The dedication of the rooms in Masonic Block took place 18 Feb 1869, and thither the lodge removed. The membership is now over 100, and the following are the officers for 1894: Charles N. Cromwell, WM; F. H. McOmber, SW; C. E. Ernst, JW; Joseph McCall, treasurer; R. W. Ashley, secretary.

Freemasonry began early in **Clyde**, the organization of **Galen Lodge No. 367**, dating back to 1823, and the warrant bearing date June 7, of that year. The officers were: Joseph Enos, GM; John Brush, DGM; Nathaniel Allen, SGW; Thomas Barker, JGW; John Lewis, WM; Henry Northrup, SW; Artemus Humiston, JW.

The lodge began work in a chamber in Sylvester Clark's storehouse, 15 Oct 1833, and continued in prosperity until 1836, when with a membership of 66, it was persecuted and driven from place to place under the Morgan excitement, finally settling in the ball room of the Clyde Hotel on 26 Jan 1831. There a few of the faithful continued to meet until 15 Feb 1833, when it was determined to suspend work until the excitement subsided. The officers at that time were: John Condit, WM; Thomas J. Whiting, SD; A. Pendleton, JD; Samuel M. Welch, tiler; Arza Lewis, treasurer.

**Clyde Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 341**, was organized in 1854, and succeeded to the jewels, furniture, etc., of the old Galen Lodge. The petitioners for the warrant were:

John Condit,	Joseph Welling,	Aaron Griswold,	William G. T. Elliott,
Joseph Watson,	William C. Ely,	S. J. Childs,	John J. Dickson.

The warrant is dated 6 Jul 1854, at which time John Condit was appointed WM; Joseph Watson, SW; Joseph Welling, JW. This lodge has always prospered, and now has 91 members.

Following are the officers for 1894:

H. A. Waterbury, WM; W. R. Vrooman, SW; B. N. Marriott, JW; J. J. Cookingham, treasurer; J. E. McGinnis, secretary; G. R. Bacon, chaplain; A. C. Lux, SD; H. B. Exner, JD; C. R. Kennedy, SMC; C. E. Jones, JMC; Clark Potts, tiler.

**Griswold Chapter No. 301, R. A. M.**, of Clyde, was chartered 7 Feb 1867, and on the 6th of March following the first officers were installed; they were as follows:

Aaron Griswold, M. E. high priest; J. Hasbrook Suhler, E. king; Robert Dobyns, E. scribe; Hugh Boyd, tiler; Seth Smith, captain of host; Dr. James M. Home, principal sojourner; John Tremper, Royal Arch captain; Edward B. Wells, master of third vail; Jacob Strauss, master of second vail; George O. Baker, master of first vail.

This chapter came into existence in place of the old Lyons Chapter, which was chartered in 1824, with Oliver Allen, high priest, and James P. Bartlett, secretary. Mr. Allen was succeeded in his office by William Sisson, who continued until the suspension about 1838, during the anti-Masonic warfare. The officers of the chapter for 1894 are as follows:

G. R. Bacon, H. P.; H. A. Waterbury, K.; E. B. Wells, S.; J. Strauss, secretary; J. E. McGinnis, C. H.; J. J. Cookingham, P. S.; E. M. Ellinwood, R. A. C.; W. W. Legg, M. 3d V.; W. R. Vrooman, M. 2d V.; E. R. Bockoven, M. 1st V.; Clark Potts, tiler.

**Newark Lodge No. 83, F. & A. M.**, was chartered 5 Jun 1834. James P. Bartle was the first master; Theodore Partridge, SW; J. C. Roberts, JW. The anti-Masonic war affected this lodge seriously, and in March, 1827, nine out of fifteen members present at a meeting voted to surrender the charter. Of the \$100 then on hand the lodge gave \$35 to the Methodist Society of the place, and \$25 to the Presbyterian Society; the remaining \$50 was given to the American Bible Society. In 1838 the Grand Lodge was asked to return their warrant, and the request was granted. Meetings were held in a room in Mr. Bartle's house, fitted up by him for the purpose, and a few members were initiated. In 1840 the charter was again surrendered. Ten years later, 28 Sep 1848, the lodge was revived with the following officers: James P. Bartle, WM; John Daggett, SW; Theodor Dickinson, JW; A. F. Cressy, secretary; E. T. Grant, treasurer.

The number of members was 22, which has been gradually increased to more than hundred. G. L. Bennett, who joined in 1849, is the present oldest member, and has served as secretary 25 years.

James P. Bartle was master several years, as also was John Daggett.

Other masters have been:

James D. Ford,  
Clark Mason,  
R. P. Groat,

Richard White,  
G. L. Bennett,  
C. P. Fanning,

Marvin I. Greenwood,  
Alexander Hayes,  
G. M. Soverhill.

The officers for 1894 are as follows:

William T. Peirson, WM; W. C. Conrad, SW; T. R. Loomis, JW; C. S. White, treasurer; E. F. Cowles, secretary; Rev. L. Coffin, chaplain; A. C. Fish, SD; F. W. Traub, JD; Godfrey Koetsch, SMC; Samuel Farnsworth, JMC; John K. Lyke, tyler.

This lodge is noted for its enthusiasm in all good works. On the erection of Ford's Block, a room was secured in the third story, and on 24 Jun 1875, it was consecrated to Masonic purposes.

**Newark Chapter No. 117**, received its original warrant 10 Feb 1826; John P. Bartle, HP; John Daggett, K; Theodore Partridge, S. The warrant and lodge property, excepting the records, were burned in 1859, and another warrant was issued February 3, of the same year.

The membership is now about 80. The officers for 1894 are as follows: J. M. Pitkin, Jr., HP; T. R. Loomis, EK; E. B. Elliott, Jr., ES; E. R. Kelley, treasurer; E. F. Cowles, Secretary; Rev. L. Coffin, chaplain; William T. Peirson, CH; P. R. Sleight, RAC; A. C. Eish, PS; F. W. Traub, 3d V; G. Koetsch, 2d V; W. H. H. Stebbins, 1st V; John K. Lyke, tyler.

One of the very early Masonic lodges of Wayne county was **Mount Moriah Lodge No. 112, of Palmyra**, which continued a prosperous existence until the Morgan excitement, when it surrendered its charter.

Those who served as its masters were:

David White, 1816;	S. Scovel,	H. S. Moore,	Durfee Chase, 1822-1823;
W. Winslow,	Ira Selby,	David White;	Solomon St. John, 1824;

when the lodge went out of existence.

**Palmyra Lodge No. 248**, received its warrant March 8, 1852, but had worked since 10 Sep 1851, under dispensation. Charles Hudson was the first master; Elijah Ennis, SW; John C. Calhoun, JW. On March 24, 1852, the lodge was formally constituted. The following persons have served as masters:

Charles Hudson, 1852;	John G. Webster, 1868-69;	Oliver Durfee, 1882-83;
Thomas Robinson, 1854;	T. S. Jackson, 1870;	Henry Birdsall, 1884-85;
John C. Calhoun, 1855;	Joseph W. Corning, 1871;	Edwin B. Anderson, 1886;
W. B. Crandall, 1856-58 & 1860;	George McGown, 1873-75;	S. Nelson Sawyer, 1887-88;
S. B. Smith, 1859;	Henry P. Knowles, 1876;	C. H. Brigham, 1889-90;
T. L. Root, 1861-62;	Joseph W. Taylor, 1877;	S. E. Braman, 1891-92;
C. S. Chase, 1863-65;	Wells Tyler, 1878-79;	Alfred C. Hopkins, 1893-94.
M. C. Finley, 1866-67;	John C. Coates, 1880-81;	

The officers of the lodge for 1894 are as follows:

Alfred C. Hopkins, WM; Louis M. Chase, SW; George A. Barnhart, JW; Alfred W. Sansbury, treasurer; George McGown, secretary; James L. Harrison, SD; Alexander P. Milne, JD; Walter P. Smith, SMC; Richard A. Vanderboget, JMC; William H. Dennis, tyler.

A charter was granted to **Palmyra Eagle Chapter No. 79, R. A. M.**, on 7 Feb 1823. The first officers were: Addison N. Buck, HP; Harry S. Moore, K; Seth Tucker, scribe.

The high priests previous to 1828 were: Dr. Durfee Chase, Solomon St. John, Alexander McIntyre, and Robert W. Smith. From 1828 to 1863 the chapter was not in existence. On 7 Apr 1863, work was renewed with Truman Hemmingway, HP; Marvin K. Rich, K; Edwin Dewey, scribe. There were then 22.

The high priests have been:

T. Hemingway, 1853-55;	J. H. Chase, 1868;	Oliver Durfee, 1883-86;
William B. Crandall, 1856-60;	M. C. Finley, 1869-74;	Edwin B. Anderson, 1887-88;
Elijah Ennis, 1861-63;	Isaac F. Tabor, 1876-77;	S. Nelson Sawyer, 1889-90;
Thomas L. Root, 1864-67;	George McGown, 1878-82;	George A. Barnhardt, 1891-93.

The chapter officers for 1894 are as follows: Seiner E. Braman, HP; Mark C. Finley, K; Alexander P. Milne, scribe; Alfred C. Hopkins, secretary; Fred E. Ryckman, CH; George A. Barnhart, PS; Robert H. Bareham, RAC; John Cunningham, M3V; John D. Lane, M2V; Addison L. Root, M1V; William H. Dennis, tiler.

**Palmyra Council No. 26, R&SM**, was opened under dispensation 13 Nov 1866, with these officers: E. Ennis, master; Thomas L. Root, deputy master; Mark C. Finley, P. O. of Work. A charter was granted 6 Feb 1866. E. Ennis served as master until 1867; M. C. Finley, 1868-74; T. S. Jackson, 1876-76; George McGown, 1877; John C. Coates, 1878; M. C. Finley, 1879-88; S. Nelson Sawyer, 1889-91; Edwin B. Anderson, 1892-03.

The officers for 1894 are as follows:

A. C. Hopkins, T. I. M.; George A. Barnhardt, D. M.; John C. Coates, treasurer; George McGown, recorder.

**Zenobia Commandery, Knights Templar, No. 41**, was organized in Palmyra, April 29, 1867, and its warrant bears date of October 2, 1867. Its charter members numbered 26, and thirteen more were soon admitted. Jackson H. Chase was the first eminent commander; Elijah Ennis, generalissimo; Thomas L. Root, C. G. The following have held the office of E. C. since: J. H. Chase,

1867-68; E. Ennis, 1869; T. L. Root, 1870-71; Rev. John G. Webster, 1872; M. C. Finley, 1873-75; Isaac F. Tabor, 1876-77 ; George McGown, 1878-83 ; John C. Coates, 1884-88; Edwin B. Anderson, 1889-92; S. Nelson Sawyer 1893; Nel G. Drake, 1894. The officers elected for 1894 are as follows: George A. Earnhardt, generalissimo; Seiner E. Braman, captain-general; Mark C. Finley, recorder; George McGown, treasurer.

**Walworth Lodge, F&AM, No. 254**, was organized 5 Feb 1852, with seven members and the following officers: Abel Wyman, WM; Jones Findley, SW; Tappan Merrill, JW; Nathaniel Bates, treasurer; W. D. Wylie, secretary.

The charter bears date 8 Jun 1852. The charter members, besides those above named, were John Findley and Isaac Barnhart.

The first meetings for about one year were held in Jones Findley's dwelling, on the site of F. C. Robie's present house. Removal was then made to the old hotel, on the site of the present one, and thence to its present quarters. This lodge had an earlier organization, but all of its records were burned in 1852, leading to the reorganization.

The officers for 1894 are as follows: Edward M. Rodenberger, WM; Clarence B. Palmer, SW; Walter B. Slade, JW; Charles Elliott, treasurer; J. J. Findley, secretary.

**Sodus Lodge No. 392**, F&AM, was organized in Sodus village in 1856, with the following first officers: Asahel Yale, WM; John A. Paddock, SW; William Shaver, JW; J. R. Sweeney, treasurer; Riley Belden, secretary.

The following persons have been Masters of this lodge:

Dr. Asahel Yale, 1856-58 and 1860-61

W. Tillotson, 1859

A. P. Warren, 1862-64

Amos Case, 1865-66

John A. Boyd, 1867

W. P. Rogers, 1868

E. Thornton, 1869

C. C. Teall, 1870

Dr. William G. Thirkell, 1871, 1874-76, and 1878-79

R. S. Borradaile, 1872

C. D. Gaylord, 1873

William Kansier, 1877

A. W. Brower, 1880

L. D. F. Vaughn, 1881-82

John C. Hill, 1883

Ward Smith, 1884-85

James Stebbins, 1886

L. D. V Vaughn, 1887

C. C. Field, 1888-89

Edward Pullman, 1890-91

L. D. F. Vaughn, 1892

C. C. Field, 1893.

The officers for 1894 are: W. A. Nichols, WM; Dr. F. L. Wilson, SW; Eugene Merenus, JW; M. F. Boyd, treasurer; W. G. Thirkell, secretary.

This lodge is very prosperous and has about 115 members, who are zealous in upholding the high principles of the order; this fact is indicated by the circumstance that they watched during 186 successive nights with the Rev. David ^Nloir [sic], Episcopal minister of the village, and a member of De Molay Lodge No. 409, of Buffalo, when he was sick. The Buffalo lodge on 11 Apr 1893, presented Sodus Lodge with a handsome engrossed memorial embodying resolutions of thanks.

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**AMOS CASE** - Nashua Reporter - 2 Feb 1899

**At Rest** - At his home in Nashua, Monday morning, after weeks of failing strength, caused from heart trouble, Amos Case quietly passed into that mysterious future existence which mortal mind is powerless to penetrate.

Amos Case was born in Sodus, Wayne, NY, 61 years ago. After his marriage he spent the greater part of his early life at Oswego and New York City. At the latter place he occupied an office on Broadway, and enjoyed a lucrative position with the Mutual Life Insurance Company, by whom he was considered a man of very superior ability.

In 1880 he moved to Nashua, and for twelve years acted as cashier in the bank owned and operated by his brother, A. G. Case, of Charles City. After leaving this business he took up insurance business exclusively, and devoted himself to it until failing health a few months ago, forced him to lay aside his business responsibility.

During his life Mr. Case was one of the most active lodge men in the communities in which he lived. He was a member of the Masonic order, the Knight Templar's, the Knights of Pythias, and the Modern Woodmen, in all of which he occupied positions of honor, and was an acknowledged leader because of his superior knowledge of the precepts and workings of the orders.

Nature endowed the deceased with an abundance of natural ability, and this added to a careful and thorough education, gave him a splendid equipment for the battle of life. In his nature he was a genial, whole-souled, generous man, gifted with a keen sense of humor and a natural antipathy for all shams and pretenses. Among his companions he was congenial and entertaining, and in his home he was the soul of hospitality and good fellowship. Tho his family he was a kind, devoted husband and father, who performed with willing hands any act of kindness that would contribute pleasure to his loved ones. In his love for beautiful surroundings he was tireless in his efforts to make their home one of exceptional attractiveness and beauty. He was a true friend, an obliging neighbor, and a man whose familiar face will be missed, and whose death causes sincere regret among his old associates, who have known him intimately during the long years of his residence here.

Mr. Case leaves a devoted wife, whose constant and tender care during his long illness was a beautiful tribute of a loyalty and love. Two daughters, Mrs. C. Flint, of Chicago, and Miss Carolyn R. Case, of Nashua, remain to brighten the life of their gentle mother and cherish fond recollections of him whose earth life is now but a memory. The interment took place at Oak Hill.

**Wayne Chapter, R. A. M., No. 276** was organized in Sodus village 16 Apr 1880, and was chartered 8 Feb 1881, with the following members:

O. W. Bates, HP; Dr. W. G. Thirkell, K; Ward Smith, scribe; Dr. L. M. Gaylord, treasurer; C. D. Gaylord, secretary; J. P. Canfield, S. Bloss, E. D. Ailing, R. B. Belden, E. A. Green, and J. A. Paddock.

The high priests of this chapter have been:

O. W. Bates, 1880-83  
Dr. W. G. Thirkell, 1884-87  
H. S. Dennis, 1888-89  
C. C. Field, 1890-92  
Dr. W. G. Thirkell, 1893-94.

The officers for 1894 are as follows: Dr. W. G. Thirkell, HP; George E. Philo, K; William Horn, scribe; L. D. F. Vaughn, treasurer and secretary. This chapter has now about fifty-two members.

**Wayne Lodge, [No. 416], F&AM**, was organized at Ontario Center in 1866 [chartered 11 Jun 1857], and held regular meetings in the old hotel, on the site of the present one, until it was burned. For a few months after meetings convened in Thomas Hall, whence the lodge property was **surreptitiously removed** at midnight to Ontario village in 1891. The first officers were: T. Mitchell, WM; J. Z. Hodges, SW; John Raynor, JW; Isaac Pratt, treasurer; W. H. Matherson, secretary; N. Bates, SD; H. M. Sabin, JD; S. Sabin, tyler. The number of members was 18. Among the Past Masters are T. Mitchell, J. Z. Hodges, S. Sabin, J. W. Speller, A. J. Pratt, C. M. Pease, A. Stark, and Freeman Pintler.

The officers for 1894 are as follows: William Paine, WM; H. E. Stanford, secretary; H. E. Van Derveer, treasurer.

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**John Raymor**, b. 27 Oct 1802, Stratton, Windham, VT; d. 12 May 1879, Furnaceville, Wayne, NY; second son of Revolutionary War veteran John Raymor (1764-1822) and Sarah Hale (1770-1814). He was a Freemason and founding member of **Wayne Lodge No. 416** in Ontario, NY. Spouse of Alzina Aldrich (1804-1872); married 30 Jan 1823 in Ontario, NY. Burial: Furnaceville Cemetery, Wayne County, NY.

Children:

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| 1. Lyman Spencer  | b. 24 Nov 1823 Macedon, Wayne, NY; d. 1 Mar 1898 Furnaceville, Wayne, NY     |
| 2. Polly F.       | b. 19 Jun 1825 Ontario, Wayne, NY; d. 21 Jun 1825 Ontario, Wayne, NY         |
| 3. Sarah Samantha | b. 2 June 1826 Ontario, Wayne, NY; d. 12 Jan 1884 Walpole, Norfolk, MA       |
| 4. Willard        | b. 30 Apr 1828 Walworth, Wayne, NY; d. 18 June 1903 Junction City, Geary, KS |
| 5. Cynthia        | b. 2 Apr 1830 Walworth, Wayne, NY; d. 25 Nov 1855 Toronto, Ontario, Canada   |
| 6. Edward Aldrich | b. 22 Feb 1832 Ontario, Wayne, NY; d. 28 Dec 1906 Grand Rapids, Kent, MI     |
| 7. Mary E.        | b. 5 May 1834 Williamson, Wayne, NY; d. 23 Mar 1911 Greenfield, Franklin, MA |
| 8. George         | b. 12 Nov 1836 Williamson, Wayne, NY; d. 8 Oct 1859 Williamson, Wayne, NY    |
| 9. Andrew Jackson | b. 30 Mar 1838 Williamson, Wayne, NY; d. 5 June 1893 Saranac, Ionia, MI      |
| 10. Victoria Ann  | b. 2 June 1839 Williamson, Wayne, NY; d. 1 Nov 1917 Ontario, Wayne, NY       |
| 11. John Wesley   | b. 4 Mar 1842 Williamson, Wayne, NY; d. 30 Mar 1930 Junction City, Geary, KS |
| 12. Sarah         | b. 4 Mar 1842 Williamson, Wayne, NY; d. 20 Apr 1842 Williamson, Wayne, NY    |
| 13. Samuel John   | b. 19 Apr 1845 Williamson, Wayne, NY; d. 11 Jun 1916 Ontario, Wayne, NY      |
| 14. Isabella D.   | b. 6 Aug 1848 Williamson, Wayne, NY; d. 14 Jan 1892 Williamson, Wayne, NY    |



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**H. E. Van Der Veer** - The subject of this sketch is of Holland descent and traces the genealogy of his family for seven generations to Cornelius Jan Van Der Veer, who emigrated in the ship *Otter* in the spring of 1659 from the province of Alkmeer, Holland, and settled in Flatbush, Kings county, NY, and was the ancestor of the Van Der Veer family of New Jersey and Long Island. The grandfather of our subject was Garrett Van Der Veer, a native of New Jersey, born in 1765, who married Rachael COVENHOVEN, a native of Monmouth county, NJ, on whose father's farm the battle of Monmouth, of Revolutionary fame, was fought, when she, with others of the family, offered their help by furnishing water, and other offers of kindness during the battle and after it was over. Garrett Van Der Veer, the father, was born in Montgomery county, 9 May 1813, married Mary ALLEN, who was born 4 Jun 1814, removed to Wayne county in 1847, and settled at Marion. She died 1 Dec 1890. Mr. Van Der Veer has devoted much of his time in later years to the manufacture of machines of his own invention, for packing evaporated apples. He also kept a temperance hotel at Marion for several years.

Henry E. Van Der Veer, the only child, was born in Montgomery county, 27 Apr 1843, was reared in the village of Marion, where he received his education at the Marion Collegiate Institute. At an early age he commenced business as clerk for R. & J. B. REEVES, which he followed in that place and Palmyra. He was also clerk during the war in the commissary department at Fort Gibson, Indian Territory, and also traded and acted as clerk for Indian traders in Southern Kansas and Indian Territory. In 1866 he returned to Marion and engaged in the drug business for himself. In 1873 he removed to Ontario, where he has since conducted a successful business. He is a Democrat, and was appointed postmaster in 1893. He is a member of **Wayne Lodge No. 416**, F&AM, also of Cyrene Tent No. 203, K.O.T.M., in both of which he holds positions of honor. 22 Feb 1870, he married Annette L., d/o Jonathan and Clarissa (JENNINGS) PRATT, who were among the first settlers of the town of Williamson. Mr. Pratt settled in the northwest corner of the town of Williamson in 1811, where he became one of the largest land owners in the town. They reared a large family and the oldest son, Aaron W., was the second male white child born in Williamson. In 1841 he sailed on a whaling ship under Captain ROISE and was on board the ship that first discovered the northwest whaling grounds. Another son, William W., was a whaler and

merchant man for forty years. Of a large family that grew to maturity, none remained on the land for which their ancestors endured the vicissitudes of pioneer life.

**Red Creek Lodge No. 560**, F&AM, was instituted in 1856, with the following officers: Rev. S. P. Crosier, WM; James H. Coope, SW; G. H. Preston, JW; E. H. Brown, treasurer; Philip Turner, secretary; I. F. Mosher, SD; Jerome Barr, JD. The lodge prospered until 1874, when the books and property were burned. A new charter was granted in April of that year. Meetings were held in the woolen factory during that summer, and later in Becker & Hall's hall to about 1877, when the lodge removed to Wolcott, and has remained there since. In Masonic year 1894 the name of the lodge was changed to Wolcott Lodge No. 560. The successive worshipful masters of this lodge has been as follows:

Rev. S. P. Crosier,	F. M. Pasco,	D. D. Becker, again,	J. Byron Smith,
James H. Coope,	D. D. Becker,	Charles Cromwell,	Garry Salisbury,
L F. Mosher,	George Copeland,	William Lytle,	Jefferson W. Hoag.

The other officers for 1894 are: F. A. Prevost, SW; C. H. Hamner, JW; B. J. Worden, SD; Rolla Stewart, JD; N W. Merrill, treasurer; Frank Hale, secretary.

**Rose Lodge No. 500**, F. & A. M., was chartered in 1865, with the following members:

James M. Home,	John J. Dickson.	Eugene Hickok,	Samuel Gardner,
M. T. Collier,	George Catchpole,	Seymour Woodard,	P. J. Thomas.
Lucius H. Dudley,	Seymour Covel,	James Covel,	

The warrant was issued 22 Jun 1866. The following first officers were installed: James M. Home, WM; M. T. Collier, SW; L. H. Dudley, JW; M. C. Klink, secretary; Samuel Gardner, treasurer; P. J. Thomas, SD; Charles Covel, JD.

The officers in 1894 are as follows: John E. Kaiser, WM; Orrin C. Calhoun, SW; Orrin Livingston, JW; D. B. Flint, treasurer; E. Hickok, secretary. The lodge has 72 members.

**Macedon Lodge, F&AM, No. 665**, was organized and chartered 9 Jun 1868, with 14 members. The first Master was Noah W. Hare, who held the office from 1867 to December, 1869.

The following have held that office since:

W, C. Lawrence, 1870-71;	Henry H. Reed, 1877-79, 1881-82, and 1885-1891;
S. N. Gallup, 1872-73;	C. S. Lacey, 1883-84;
Lyman Bickford, 1874-76, 1880;	G. P. Kaiser, 1892-93.

For 1894 the following are the elective officers: Harvey Greenfield, WM; Charles H. Parker, SW; Frank G. Ramsdell, JW; William B. Billings, treasurer; Robert P. Magee, secretary; E. J. Fulton, SD; Walter R. Possee, JD; Rev. C. L. Paddock, chaplain; A. Brennan, SMC; G. H. Kraus, JMC; Charles W. Kipp, tyler. 1 Jan 1894, the lodge had 66 members.

<http://worldconnect.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=royharper&id=I8311>

**Noah W. Hare**, b. Aug 1838; census 1900, Macedon, NY, age 61; son of Hiram Hare and Lucinda Matie [sic] Taber; m. Cynthia Braley Beals, born 20 Nov 1816 in Duanesburg, Schenectady, NY, died 1884 in Macedon, Wayne, NY. Children, born in Macedon:

1. [Cora B HARE](#) b. ca 1866
2. [Sarah B HARE](#) b. ca Mar 1870
3. [Edward A HARE](#) b. Oct 1877
4. [Ira B HARE](#) b. Jul 1879
5. [Beulah HARE](#) b. Jul 1881
6. [Herbert R HARE](#) b. Apr 1884
7. [Harrison HARE](#) b. Nov 1888
8. [Shirley HARE](#) b. Apr 1891

**Savannah Lodge, F. & A. M., No. 764** was organized in 1875, and chartered in the following year. The first officers under the charter were: J. A. Munson, WM; A. E. Casey, SW; J. N. Westbrook, JW; J. B. Carris, treasurer; A. S. Farnum, secretary.

The charter members of this lodge were as follows:

J. A. Munson,	H. E. Newton,	B. G. Clark,	Andrew Pearsal,
C. H. Graves,	John Williams,	John McGonegal,	E. S. Wood,
James N. Westbrook,	A. D. Wood,	A. E. Casey,	R. Widrig,
Alexander Gregg,	Nathan Fitch,	A. J. Holdridge,	William Faulkner.

The past masters: J. A. Munson, A. S. Farnum, and J. K. Bigsby.

The officers of the lodge for 1894 are: H. W. Smith, WM; L. C. Sherman, SW; D. B. Reamer, JW; C. B. Jepson, treasurer; W. R. Wiles, secretary. This lodge now has about 83 members.

**Raymond Chapter No. 100, Order of the Eastern Star**, was organized in Savannah in June, 1893, with 14 members, and the following officers: Mrs. L. C. Sherman, W. M. ; Mrs. R. H. Kelley, W. A. M. ; Mrs. J. M. Hill, secretary; Mrs. Charles B. Jepson, treasurer. These officers hold until January, 1895.