

FOUNDED IN 1864. A Big Masonic Organization of This City.

ANNIVERSARY NUMBER 25, THE NIGHT CELEBRATED BY GOODWIN COUNCIL, NO. 19, TUESDAY EVENING.

Royal and Select Master Masons held interesting exercises in their hall and had the celebration in the best style. The choir of male voices was particularly noteworthy.

Goodwin Council No. 19, Royal and Select Master Masons, celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary in a brilliant manner in Masonic hall on Tuesday evening.

A special meeting of the council was held at 7 o'clock last evening, and there was a large attendance. The following officers were in the chair: T. I. G. M., Harry Carpenter, D. I. G. M., George B. Wilson; P. O. of W., John M. Kaufman; treasurer, Charles A. Henrich; recorder, Hugh S. Gara; captain of the guard, Andrew J. Garber; marshal, James C. Wiley.

Among the strangers present were H. Stanley Goodwin, of Bethlehem, after whom the council is named, and Volburg S. Shaffer, P. M. of G. M. of the Grand Council, who resides in Philadelphia.

After the council had been opened Harry Carpenter delivered an address of welcome in which the object of the meeting was stated. Recorder Gara read a large number of letters from prominent Masons, who had found it impossible to attend the celebration.

History of Goodwin Council. Goodwin Council, No. 19, Royal and Select Masters, of Lancaster, was organized on the 25th of September, 1864, by Alfred Creigh, who was then the most prominent grand master of the Grand Council of Pennsylvania.

The charter members of the council and their residence were as follows: Frederick S. Albright, Henry Carpenter, Abner D. Campbell, Hugh S. Gara, Thomas Williams, Charles M. Howell, George Lutz, William A. Moton, John H. Hess, Joseph Holland, E. B. Herry, Greenwald, Peter Martin, Edward M. Swartzel and Jacob M. Westhauser, of Lancaster; Andrew J. Kaufman, Christian S. Kaufman, Andrew M. Hambo and Jacob S. Snyder, of Columbia; Jeremiah Carl, Fitz James Evans and Arthur N. Green, of York; John B. Adams, Falouton; Israel Bushong, John Holland, E. B. Herry, Greenwald, Peter Martin, Ephraim; Wyatt W. Miller, Safe Harbor.

A meeting was held in the afternoon and the degrees were conferred upon the persons named above. Immediately after receiving the degree, they applied to the grand master for a dispensation to open a council, and they suggested the name of Goodwin. A dispensation was at once granted, and the council was called Goodwin, No. 19. The following persons were named in the dispensation as the first officers: T. I. G. M., Charles M. Howell; D. I. G. M., Christian S. Kaufman; P. O. of W., Hugh S. Gara; treasurer, William A. Moton; recorder, Andrew J. Kaufman.

The first meeting of the council was held on the same day the council was constituted and the officers were installed. The next meeting of the Grand Council of the state was held at Carlisle, June 15, 1864, and the grand master reported that he had issued a dispensation for Goodwin Council, No. 19, and had been paid the fee for the charter, and a charter was granted later in the same month.

The council was named after H. Stanley Goodwin, esq., who is now prominently connected with the Lehigh Valley railroad. When the council was organized he was the grand commander of the Knights Templar of Pennsylvania, and very often visited the council at Lancaster. He has always been held in high regard by the Masons of Lancaster, and it was unanimously agreed to call the new council Goodwin, in his honor.

The following is a list of the three illustrious grand masters since the organization: 1864—Charles M. Howell, 1870—Charles A. Fontenot, 1876—John M. Kaufman, 1882—George B. Wilson, 1888—John M. Kaufman, 1894—John M. Kaufman.

All the foreign members are living except Edward Welshans, and they still hold their membership in the council. Of the twenty-four charter members of the council, five are dead, eleven resigned, three were suspended, and five are still members. The names of those who are still members are as follows: Israel Bushong, Hugh S. Gara, Charles M. Howell, Andrew J. Kaufman and Wm. A. Moton.

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INDIANS ENJOY THEMSELVES. An Entertainment by Catawago Tribes to a Very Large Audience. Catawago Tribe, No. 203, at Red Bank, gave a variety of musical and dramatic entertainments at the Wigwam in Exelsior hall, Tuesday evening.

THE PERFORMANCE WAS QUITE LONG and it served to introduce a large number of persons. All did exceedingly well and the entertainment was an artistic success. There were funny and pathetic acts and free-class music.

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A TERRIBLE ACCIDENT. NATURAL GAS EXPLODES AND ROYALY WAKERS A DWELING.

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