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Lodges, Societies, Clubs of Easton.

Something of Interest for One to Know of these Very Useful Organizations.

They "Bear One Another's Burdens" and Care for the Widows and Orphans.

THERE is perhaps no town of its population that can be said to have as many really prosperous Orders, Lodges, Societies and Clubs as has Easton. It does nothing by halves, and this is shown by the numerous fraternal Orders and Clubs in the town, there being no less than seventeen, all told.

These many orders show much kindly feeling, fraternal love, hospitality and charity among our people.

To let our readers know to just what extent there are lodges and clubs in Easton, the GAZETTE man has made the rounds and collected what data he could of interest, and something of the value such organizations are to the community, and the immense benefit they have been, rendering incalculable service in time of sickness and need.

All honor then be to the lodges of Easton, and to those who know the true inwardness of the clubs, only kind words can be said of them, whether they be for mutual interests, benefit or pleasure.

Since the days when the Masons and Odd Fellows were the only secret organizations, so to speak, there have been a great number of lodges organized, many perhaps of but temporary existence, and all of them perhaps suggested by the success of the Masons and Odd Fellows.

Where some have patterned after the insurance associations, they are however upon a broader and more fraternal and humane scale, an assurance, in truth, that one's own comrades will lend a helping hand in time of death and need.

Such orders, not overdone in number, are certainly to be encouraged, though they should never build up the prosperity of one to the detriment of another lodge less fortunate, nor draw too heavily upon the income of a poor man who can ill afford the tax.

The Masonic Order

of Easton is, as it is elsewhere the world over, in civilized and uncivilized lands, a mighty power.

There may not be many of the GAZETTE readers who are aware of the fact that the Grand Lodge of Maryland Masons was organized in the Easton Court House in 1784, and the First Grand Master, Dr. John Coates, now lies buried here in the cemetery, a monument marking his grave.

Coates Lodge, No. 102, was named after Dr. Coates, and originally stood No. 3 on the list, though having twice been re-chartered, it now stands No. 102.

The Masonic Order here has had its trials and tribulations, successes and misfortunes, but is now most prosperous.

The last charter was obtained on Nov. 20th, 1855, and the lodge here has 72 members, 1 Fellowcraft and 3 Entered Apprentices. The following are the officers of the Fraternity in Easton:

Worshipful Master—Frank C. Mason,
Senior Warden—Wm. H. Withgott.
Junior Warden—J. Harry Covington.
Secretary—Samuel E. Whitman.
Treasurer—Benj. F. Parlett.
Senior Deacon—Clayland Mullikin.
Junior Deacon—Willis Flowers.

TALBOT CHAPTER, NO. 22.

Talbot Chapter, No. 22, was organized in 1867, and has 60 members. The present officers are:

High Priest—Samuel E. Whitman.
King—A. G. Pascault.
Scribe—T. J. Smithers, D. D. S.
Treasurer—J. Harry Covington.
Secretary—Wm. G. Denny.

THE JESHUA COUNCIL, NO. 8.

Royal and Select Masters:
Thrice Illustrious Master—Dr. E. R. Trippe.
Deputy Thrice Illustrious Master—T. J. Smithers, D.D.S.
P. C. W.—Samuel E. Whitman.
Recorder—Chas. H. Leonard.
Treasurer—Willis Flowers.

CHESAPEAKE COMMANDARY, NO. 10.

Knights Templar:
Commander—Dr. E. R. Trippe.
Generalissimo—S. E. Whitman.
Capt. General—A. G. Pascault.
Recorder—B. F. Parlett.
Treasurer—Wm. G. Denny.

The Masonic Temple in Easton is a handsome, imposing building, worthy of the Order, and the main lodge room is large, elegantly furnished and lighted with electricity.

The Odd Fellows.

The above Order is in a very flourishing condition, and has a large membership. It also has a temple well worthy of the Fraternity, with a lodge room that is commodious and handsomely fitted with every convenience.

MILLER LODGE, NO. 18, I. O. O. F.,

was instituted in Eaton on the 29th day of July, 1832, by the following charter members:

Henry Cliff, Clark Ridgaway, William Bullen, Robson Leonard and Robert Dillahay.

Miller Lodge building, together with regalia, books and other belongings was burned on March 25th, 1855, and again on October 1st, 1878, but has sprung forth from its ashes and is now the owner of the beautiful building, corner of Dover and Washington streets, with other investments, making it one of the strongest lodges financially in the State.

It now has a membership of 82, and is constantly taking in new members. The present officers are:

Noble Grand—T. H. Hollingsworth.
Vice Grand—W. W. Spence.
Secretary—Chas. E. Nicols.
Treasurer—Charles H. Hughes.

M. M. Higgins was treasurer from July, 1882 until Jan. 1st, 1897, when he was succeeded by the present treasurer, C. H. Hughes. Secretary Chas. E. Nicols has held that office since March, 1884, when he followed Peter Stevens, now a clerk in the Superior Court of Baltimore.

MILLER ENCHMPMENT.

The Miller Encampment was instituted in Easton June 8th, 1875, the call being made by M. M. Higgins upon a number of Miller Lodge members, among them W. H. Thompson, M. M. Higgins, John Mason, John W. Jump, R. H., T. Councell, J. T. Rathell, Jos. H. White, Thos. C. Nicols, R. J. Trippé. The first officers were:

Walter H. Thompson, C. P.
M. M. Higgins, H. P.
John Mason, S. W.
John T. Rathell, Scribe.
R. J. Trippe, Treasurer.
Thos. C. Nicols, J. W.

The present officers are:

Wm. J. Golt, C. P.
Jos. H. White, H. P.
M. M. Higgins, Treasurer.
Charles E. Nicols, Scribe.

Griffin Council, No. 513, Am. Legion of Honor, was organized 1881, April 12. Present officers are:

Samuel Norris, Commander.
Walter H. Thompson, Treasurer.
Edward T. Nicols, Collector.
Thomas C. Nicols, Secretary.
J. E. Shannahan, District Deputy Commander.

During the sixteen years that the American Legion of Honor has been in existence in Easton, the large sum of thirty-eight thousand dollars in death claims has been paid.

Knights of Pythias.

Star of the East Lodge No. 106, was organized April 21, 1886. The first officers chosen were:

Past Chancellor—Albert Lowe.
Chancellor Commandor—J. Cook Davis.
Vice-Chancellor—Chas. E. Morris.
Prelate—Walter Hubbard.
Master of Exchequer—J. E. Shannahan.
Master of Finance—R. H. Patchett.
Keeper of Records and Seals—S. H. Shannahan.
Master at Arms—I. N. Elston.
Inner Guard—Solomon Covey.
Outter Guard—D. H. Roberts.

At the present date the Lodge numbers 100 members. The present officers are:

Chancellor Commander—Harry A. Towers.
Vice-Chancellor—Wm. H. Withgott.
Prelate—Nehemiah E. Clark.
Master of Work—Frank A. White.
Master of Exchequer—Chas. H. Leonard.
Master of Finance—Leander R. Hooper.
Keeper of Record and Seals—Wm. J. Benny.
Master at Arms—S. Elliott Shannahan.
Inner Guard—George T. Robinson.
Outer Guard—T. H. Hollingsworth.

During its existance the Lodge has paid out over $1600.00 in sick claims, and about $400.00 in death benefits and funeral expenses. There have been but five deaths in the eleven years of its existence. It is composed mostly of young men, is growing and is in a very flourishing condition.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 15, Ancient Order United Workmen was organized June 28th, 1880. The present officers are:

J. C. Henry, Master Workman.
F. C. Mason, Foreman.
T. H. Trippe, Overseer.
J. T. Rathell, Financier.
C. E. Nicols, Receiver.
Thos. C. Nicols, Recorder.

The Easton Forum 1008, Home Forum Benefit Order.

This is a comparatively new Order in Easton, having been organized Nov. 10th, 1896.

It has a membership of over half a hundred and is growing and prosperous.

The headquarters of the H. F. B. O. is in Chicago, Ill., and it is a very powerful organization. The present officers are:

President—Col. Prentiss Ingraham.
1st Vice-President—John B. Fairbank.
2nd Vice-President—Abner W. Morton.
Secretary—Albert J. Stewart.
Treasurer—Wm. J. Benny.
Historian—Alex. McGill.
Orator—Benson B. Biery.
Asst. Orator—Mrs. Sarah A. Cox.
Porter—James E. Aaronson.
Guard—Edwin J. Biery.
Medical Examiner—E. R. Trippe, M. D.
Directors—Joshua J. Wright, Wm. A. Pratt and Rufus Warner.
Past President—John M. Wilson.

Improved Order of Heptasophs.

Easton Conclave No. 302 was organizer at Easton, Md., May 25, 1894 by J. H. Primrose, organizer, assisted by Dr. J. H. Christian, John W. Cruit, of Baltimore, and G. H. Trax, of Talbot county. The officers elected at that time were:

Past Archon—Wilson M. Tylor.
Archon—Harry M. Mason.
Secretary—Chas. E. Nicols.
Finances—Leander R. Hooper.
Treasurer—Wm. L. Hubbard.

The conclave was organized with 74 charter members. There have been several suspensions, but they have had no deaths during the past two years and the conclave is now in a flourishing condition. New members are being admitted and there is no reason why Easton Conclave No. 302 I. O H. shall not in the near future rank with the largest conclave as to membership and other advantages offered. The present officers are:

Past Archon—W. W. Spence.
Archon—T. H. Hollingsworth.
Provost Master—M. M. Wright.
Secretary—C. E. Nichols.
Financier—L. R. Hooper.
Treasurer—Wm. L. Hubbard.

Royal Arcanum.

The Guardian Councel No. 510 of the Royal Arcanum was organized at Easton, Md., August 12, 1880 with 20 members, and today the number of members received into the order have been 68. Lost by death, removals and other causes, 28. Present membership, 40. Number of deaths since organization, 8. Amount paid to widows, $22,500. One member who died, being half rate member, made payment on his certificate only $1,500. The other seven received full rate, $3,000 each, making $21,000. Present officers of the Council are:

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IT IS COMMISSIONER FLOWERS NOW.

Defeats Mr. James L. Walker by a Large Majority.

The annual election for one town commissioner of Easton was held at the court house on Monday, 3rd inst., between the hours of 2 and 6 P. M. The judges were Thomas H. Trippe and Oliver H. Henry, Democrats, and William T. Elben, Republican. The clerks were Daniel R. Cox, Democrat, and Martin M. Wright, Republican. The latter was appointed in place of S. Elliott Shannahan, who was out of town.

The retiring commissioner was Mr. Charles H. Leonard, who had declined to be a candidate for re-election. On April 8th Mr. Willis Flowers announced himself as an aspirant for municipal honors, and later in the month Mr. James Levin Walker was quietly sprung.

The canvass was very quietly conducted, and up to the day of election little interest was manifested. Mr. Flowers was run as the Democratic candidate and Mr. Walker as the Republican, but political lines were not sharply drawn, the voters very sensibly concluding that politics had no part in our town government.

The vote was 536, 57 less than last year and 23 less than two years ago. Mr. Flowers had a walkover, receiving 325 votes, against 209 for Mr. Walker. Two votes were rejected.

Personal Prattle.

Little Miss Mary Larrimore, of Hotel Avon, has got a wheel, and she rides it well, too.

Mr. Ed. Jenkins and his sister, Miss Mary Jenkins, are visiting Baltimore friends for a few days.

Col. Fred. Dimpfel and his daughter, Miss Tenie, have returned after a visit of a week to Baltimore and Washington.

Mrs. Wm. F. Adams has gone to Chicago for a visit of a few weeks to her son, Captain Charles W. Adams, who is now a resident of the great metropolis of the West.

Col. Owen Norris is out as a candidate to succeed Col. Oswald Tilghman as State Senator. He frankly says that if the people don't want him he will support the man that they do want.

Prof. Perry C. Oren, a guest of Col. James C. Norris, delighted the guests of the Avon Hotel on Wednesday evening by performing upon the piano, of which instrument he is a master. Prof. Oren is the organist of the First English Lutheran Church of Baltimore, and a representative of the firm of Sanders & Stayman of Baltimore.

Mr. Marshall Winchester, United States Bank Examiner, was in Easton early in the week, and was entertained at dinner by Col. F. Carroll Goldsborough at Ellenborough, his beautiful home on the Avon River. Colonel Goldsborough invited as guests to meet Mr. Winchester Colonel Frank H. Johnston, Mr. Geo. E. Haddaway, Col. Oswald Tilghman, J. S. Dumaresq and others, and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all prseent.

Easton Town Officers,

The town Commissioners of Easton, Talbot county, organized Tuesday by electing Nehmiah E. Clark president to succeed John C. Henry, and Wm. J. Benny clerk to succeed Daniel R. Cox. The present town officers were reapointed for another year. They are William Grace, bailiff and market master; Michael McHale, night watchman; Jas. L. Straughan, carter.

Photographing Outfit for Sale

A complete photographing outfit, including a 5x7 Premo Camera capable of taking pictures any size, 5x7 or under, the shutter working automatically for either time or instantaneous exposures: there are 4 double plate holders and 4 kits for same, holding 8 5x7 or 4x5 plates, also 4 or 5 dozen dry plates. Will sell also a complete developing and printing out, including an Eastman's dark room ruby lantern, developing trays, enough chemicals to develop 5 doz. plates, also a 5x7 and 4x5 printing frame, and a folding tripod.

This is no cheap affair, but a very expensive outfit, but will be sold cheap for cash or on time.

For further particulars call or address J. H., GAZETTE OFFICE.

DIED.

KIRBY.—At her late residence near Royal Oak, on Thursday, May 6th, 1897, Mrs. Susan A., wife of Abner Kirby, aged about 50 years. Funeral at the residence at 9:30 o'clock this (Saturday) morning. Interment in Spring Hill Cemetery.

THE DEATH OF HON. ORMOND HAMMOND.

THE SUB-TREASURER AT BALTIMORE "JOINS THE SILENT MAJORITY."

Had Passed His Three-Score Years and Ten—His Life Full of Merited Honors. Long an Orphans' Court Judge.

On Tuesday afternoon there was laid away in the family burying ground at "Solitude" all that was mortal of Ormond Hammond, a man whose declining years were blessed by the recollection of a life well lived, a career of honor well won.

Born Nov. 9th, 1825, in Frederick County, Maryland, Judge Hammond, as he is better known, came of good stock, and early gave promise of making his mark in the world.

Receiving a collegiate education, he left college to enter upon a commercial life in Baltimore, but married soon after the daughter of Rev. Luther J. Cox, of that city, and then removed to Talbot county, settling upon an estate near Royal Oak.

It is here that his ashes now rest, within a few rods of his beautiful home, 'Solitude," picturesquesly situated upon a tributary of the Chesapeake. In his ideal home of "Solitude" he passed, with his wife and children, the happy years of his life. It was the wish of the Judge to keep it so, a wish his children ably supported him in.

A man of Ormond Hammond's great ability could not long hide his light under a bushel on a Maryland farm, so he was sought out as one deserving of high honors, and, as the Baltimore *Sun* says:

"The Judge was a member of the constitutional convention of 1867 and several times represented his county in the House of Delegates and the State Senate and was chief judge of the Orphans' Court of Talbot county twelve years. He was appointed assistant treasurer of the United States at Baltimore by President Cleveland and entered upon the duties of the office in July, 1894.

"He was very popular and always demanded and retained the respect, confidence and esteem of all who knew him. It is said of him that he acted as trustee, administrator and executor of more estates and guardian for more orphans than any man in the State, and was widely known for generosity of disposition, veracity and other sterling qualities."

Eight years ago a gloom fell upon "Solitude" in the loss of the wife and mother, a woman noted for her Christian life, charity, and hospitality to all. It was a bitter blow to the Judge and his children, and the sunshine of life seemed to have fled forever from the home. But his sons and daughters cheered the declining years of their father, whose joy it was to have his children about him whenever it was possible to do so.

He leaves five sons and three daughters. The sons are Ormond Hammond, Jr., general manager of the Maryland Ice and Cold Storage Company; Howard Hammond, superintendent of the same company; Herbert Hammond, who is engaged in business at the corner of Hoffman street and Linden avenue; Francis E. Hammond, who is farming in Talbot county, and Percy Hammond, receiving teller at the United States sub-treasury.

There were many present at the burial of Judge Hammond, who died at the residence of his eldest son, Mr. Ormond Hammond, Jr., Baltimore, and his remains were brought here for burial. The pall-bearers were: Hon. Chas. H. Gibson, J. Harold Wheeler, Joseph H. Newnam, Col. Frank A. Benson, Col. Jasmes H. Willis, Sol. S. Thompson.

Rev. Dr. Poisal, of the M.P.Church, Easton, a lifelong friend of the family, read the services, and, with deep feeling, that at times choked his utterance, delivered the tribute to his memory, dwelling upon the noble life of the deceased.

A lifelong Democrat, Judge Hammond will be missed sadly as one of the able leaders of his party, while the State of Maryland will feel keenly his loss, and his hosts of friends and admirers deplore his passing away.

With truth may it be said of Ormond Hammond: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

Bicycle For Sale.

A '97 Sterling Bicycle, enameled in yellowish green. It is equipped with an adjustable handle, searchlight lantern, an electric bell and hand and air brake. Geared at 72. Will be sold cheap for cash or on time. Call or address

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IN OUR CHURCH CIRCLES.

Items Of Interest Of The Doings In Our Churches.

Bishop Adams made his official visitations in Easton last Sunday. In the morning he preached at Trinity Cathedral and confirmed a class of 8, two of whom are members of the vested choir. This made a total of 42 presented during the incumbency of Dean Sutton, which has lasted about 3 years and 6 months, and is the largest number presented by any Dean. In the evening he preached at Christ Church and confirmed 7.

There will be no service in SS. Peter and Paul's Church to-morrow, as Father Waldron will be in Wilmington attending the consecration of Bishop-elect Monaghan.

Rev. Ernest McEwing will preach at the Baptist Chapel to-morrow (Sunday) at 11 a. m. and 8 p.m.; also at Longwoods at 3 p. m.

The first Quarterly Conference of the M. E. Church, South, for Easton will be held in Trinity Church, Railroad Avenue and Harrison street, tomorrow. Love Feast at 9 A. M.; preaching at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. by Rev. I. W. Canter, Presiding Elder. All are invited.

At Ebenezer M.E.Church tomorrow morning Rev. Charles A. Hill will preach on "The Sanctity of the Sabbath. His evening subject will be, "The Harvest a Certainty."

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Col. Charles A. Chipley's steam yacht has arrived at the Anchorage and has proved herself in her first run in the St. Michaels a flyer, staunch and comfortable. We hope to see more of this out on the St. Michaels and the Avon.

Capt. J.G.Morris is having his yacht Cora overhauled for summer outings.

There is a tree well worth observing in the yard of Mrs. Dr. E. R. Trippe, for almost covering it is a wisteria vine in full bloom, presenting a striking and beautiful appearance.

Mr. Worth Holden is becoming a most expert farmer, and if cornered on a question of agriculture, he looks wise and does not give himself away.

The Baptist Young People's Union will give a Box Party at the chapel in Easton on next Friday and Saturday evenings, the 14th and 15th insts. All cordially invited.

"THE GREATEST IS CHARITY."

Annual Report of the Baltimore Eye, Ear and Throat Charity Hospital.

EDITOR OF GAZETTE—Dear Sir: By favorably noting in the columns of your paper the work which is being done by the Baltimore Eye, Ear and Throat Charity Hospital, as set forth in the accompanying Annual Report, you will help to enlarge its field of usefulness, by bringing more generally to the knowledge of the poor throughout the State the advantages which it offers them.

The managers of the Hospital would be glad to have you distribute among the poor of your neighborhood, as the opportunity to do so may present itself, the tickets sent herewith, and should additional tickets be desired, they will be pleased to furnish them.

Applications for admission to the Indoor Department of the Hospital may be made to the matron or to any member of the attending medical staff. When the circumstances of the patient warrant it, board and nursing, as well as medical attendance, will be furnished free.

CLAYTON C. HALL, SECRETARY,
625 W. Franklin St., Baltimore, Md.

[We acknowledge the receipt of the Report, together with tickets of admission to the Free Dispensary, and will be glad to furnish same to any worthy applicant.—EDITOR.]

The best Baker's Bread made at Walter Garey's Bakery. Delivered anywhere at any time. Try it.

Evening.

Mr. Clark S. Marshall, has just finished one of his masterpieces entitled "Evening," It represents a pleasure boat gently sailing with half-bellied sails over the bosom of a quiet sea. The atmosphere is striking in effect the sky bespeaks summer, and on looking at the scene, one can almost hear the merry voices of happy persons coming distinctly over the water. The view is strikingly realistic and can be seen at the window of M. B. Nichols. For Sale.

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These are great points that belong to the Rambler, Fowler, Crescent, Stormer, Ideal & Winner. Come and inspect and be convinced, SHANNAHAN & WRIGHTSON HDW, CO.

Don't forget that Walter Garey's Ice Cream Saloon will open to-day. Everything will be kept clean, cool and comfortable.