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THE MASONIC BANQUET!

THE ANNUAL INSTALLATION OF THE

Officers of Livingston Lodge, No. 371.

Speeches, Toasts, Music and Banquet.

The installation of the officers elect of Livingston Lodge, No. 371 F. & A. M.

Brother J. C. Lewis acted as Grand Marshal, and that is all that is necessary to say upon that head.

After the installation of the master of the lodge then requested Brother Romberger to approach the altar.

Brother Romberger accepted the gift in a modest speech, and referred to the very pleasant intercourse and support he had always received from the lodge.

The second part of the evening's entertainment was a feast of good things and a flow of soul.

The supper was prepared and served by Mrs. Gertrude Kaylor. There was no attempt at display.

Ladies, it has fallen to my lot to respond to the toast.

To do it justice, and show the high regard we have for you, I wish I had the ladies of Talmage or of Igersoll.

The ladies have from Adam's time had a conspicuous part in the history of the world.

Ladies, I pledge you, in this pure water: The ladies have from Adam's time had a conspicuous part in the history of the world.

When God made this beautiful 2 by 6 little gem of an earth of ours, as one piece of his great universe.

Now mind ladies and do not forget that God placed Adam master over all that he had created on this earth—before he had created either Eve, Adam looked for her on the mountains.

God saw this, and in his kind and fatherly heart he concluded to give Adam a mate also, and since God improves on his creations, never duplicating anything.

God told Adam and Eve that they should live together and enjoy themselves on this Island of Ceylon.

Well, through their honeymoon everything went pleasant. I do not know how long their honeymoon lasted; but one day Adam like the most of men.

When they reach the other shore they hear a tremendous noise behind them; they look back, and to their retreat is cut off, the bridge is gone.

Ladies, so it is to-day. In all ages and at all times, men are looking out for new conquests and women must weep and suffer.

Ladies, some of you may think that you have no voice in this government of ours, when every day you help shape the destiny of the world.

Ladies, in the U. S. of A., from the rocky beaches of the New England, to the sandy beaches of the Pacific.

The next toast was "LIVINGSTON LODGE"

The veteran war horse, Col. J. B. Parsons told us the history of Livingston Lodge, from the date of its charter to the present time.

LIVINGSTON LODGE 371 was instituted 8 and 30 years ago on the very ground on which this building now stands.

Brother J. C. Lewis was in one of his happiest frames of mind. Full of wit, repartee and when the Master called upon him to respond to the toast.

From a little half story upper room over the store of S. S. Strong which we occupied for ten years, we emigrated to a specially arranged hall over the hardware store of O. W. Pollard & Co.

THE EASTERN STAR. who spoke as follows: I rise Mr. Tomsmaste, to propose a brotherly and sisterly toast.

THE TOAST OF THE ORDER. I am sure each and every one of you will heartily respond. There are here and there objects almost everywhere which commend our warmest sympathy.

BROTHER PRIMER'S TOAST WAS ANSWERED BY Mrs. Samuel Wilkinson, a member of the Eastern Star, and while we have no need to make any comparison.

THE NAME OF A beautiful order that is closely related to the Masonic Fraternity, yet in no way shares in the privileges of ancient craft, Masonry.

Brother Robert Morris, the founder of the Eastern Star, felt that women had too long been denied the right to share the work of love and worship at the same shrine with their husbands.

THE ORDER THAT ARE FIVE DEGREES known as the daughter, the widow, the wife, the sister and the mother.

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Major Curtis J. Judd, and he it said, "that it is greatly to his credit," that of all the orators present, the major had committed "his piece" to memory.

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