



BENJAMIN T. LEUZARDER  
WISCONSIN

BENJAMIN TRUE LEUZARDER, 33°

On April 5, 1922, our beloved brother, Benjamin True Leuzarder, entered into rest, bringing to a close a life of useful activity and achievement beyond the lot of most men.

Our brother was born at Lincoln, Penobscot County, Maine, September 30, 1850. His father, Deacon Benjamin Otis Leuzarder, came from old Huguenot stock, emigrating to America from France in the 16th century. His mother, Eliza True, was of English origin with the best New England background and traditions. Ancestors on both sides of the family were active patriots in the Revolution.

At the age of sixteen, and before completing his academic education, our brother removed to Boston and secured employment. In 1869 he accepted a position as assistant clerk in the Quartermaster's Department U. S. A. at Indianola, Texas. In 1872 he left the Government service and returned to Boston. The years 1873 and 4 were spent in California. In 1875 he accepted a position with the Treasury Department at Washington. In 1880 he became auditor and assistant treasurer of the Mexican Central Railroad with headquarters at Mexico City, and while in Mexico was appointed Vice Counsel General of the United States. He returned to the States in 1883 and entered the employ of the Edward P. Allis Company of Milwaukee as accountant and confidential man. In 1901 he became comptroller of the Allis Chalmers Company, and later in the same year participated in the organization of the Holthoff Machinery Company at Cudahy, Wisconsin. In 1904 Bro. Leuzarder went to the west coast of Mexico where he was engaged in mining until 1912. Returning again to the United States he took up public accounting and in 1915 became treasurer of the Chicago Belting Company at Chicago, Illinois, in which position he continued until his death.

Brother Leuzarder was a life long Republican and a great admirer of Theodore Roosevelt. He never sought political preferment or public office. He was reared a Congregationalist, but never affiliated with any religious communion.

On December 25, 1875, at South Boston, Massachusetts, he was united in marriage with Emma Louise Fiske, only daughter of George and Abigail Fiske. One child, Anna B. Leuzarder Hamilton, was the issue of this marriage.

Brother Leuzarder received the Master Mason's degree in St. Paul's Lodge, South Boston, Massachusetts, in January, 1878. He demitted in 1881, and with others participated in the organization of Toltec Lodge in the City of Mexico under dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Missouri. He was appointed Senior Warden of the new lodge, but owing to the absence of the Master, occupied the East until 1883, when he returned to the United States, demitted, and in 1887 became a member of Kilbourn Lodge No. 3, Milwaukee. Brother Leuzarder re-



ceived the Royal Arch degree in Kilbourn Chapter, Milwaukee, February 22, 1888, was knighted in Wisconsin Commandery No. 1, Milwaukee, April 24, 1888, passed through the several chairs and was elected Commander in 1895. He received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite from the 4th to the 32nd in the Valley of Milwaukee in the fall of 1888. He served as Thrice Potent Master of Wisconsin Lodge of Perfection and was elected Lieutenant-Commander of Wisconsin Consistory. On September 15, 1896, he was made an Honorary thirty-third at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The funeral services were conducted on April 8th by Kilbourn Lodge No. 3, F. & A. M. of Milwaukee in the presence of a large number of members of Wisconsin Consistory. The body was placed in the Chapel of Graceland Cemetery, Chicago, later to be taken to Boston for cremation.

The foregoing is the merest skeleton of the story of a life notable for achievement and splendid service. Whatever Brother Leuzarder assayed to do, he did well. He had a most pleasing and attractive personality; he made friends readily and kept them; he was affable and gracious in his intercourse with men, an ideal host, a kind and generous husband and father, a gentleman in every thought and act; a Christian not in profession only, but in deed and in truth; a Mason in whose life shows the great lights of our Brotherhood; an American sincerely loyal to his country and to the ideals of American democracy, who, to use his own words, ever stood for

"One flag—The American flag,

One language—The language of the Declaration of Independence,

One loyalty—Loyalty to the American people."

Such was our dear departed friend and brother. We shall sorely miss him, but we know that "The eternal God is his refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." Ad Gloriam Grandis Architecti Universi.

HERBERT N. LAFLIN, 33°.

NINETEEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY-TWO

# Proceedings of the Supreme Council

Of Sovereign Grand Inspectors-General, of the Thirty-Third  
and Last Degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite  
of Freemasonry for the Northern Masonic Juris-  
diction of the United States of America

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IN ANNUAL MEETING  
HELD IN THE CITY OF CLEVELAND, O.

Commencing on the twenty-seventh day of the month Elul A. M. 5682,  
the nineteenth of September A. D.  
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