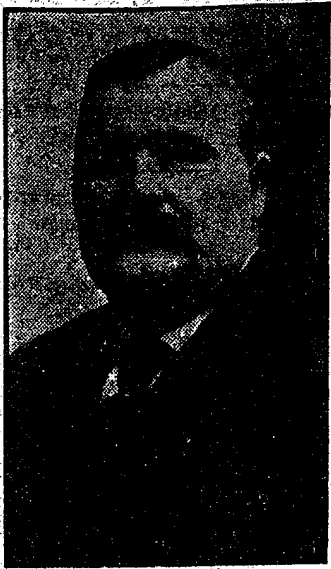


TRIO OF SHIPMASTERS' OFFICERS.



CAPT. WM. J. CROSBY.



CAPT. E. J. BURKE.



CAPT. DANIEL KELLEY.

MARINE.

CAPT. W. J. CROSBY ELECTED PRESIDENT

SHIPMASTERS' ASSOCIATION HOLDS
ITS ANNUAL ELECTION.

ANNUAL BALL AT MASONIC TEMPLE,
JANUARY TWENTY-FIRST.

The first regular meeting and annual election of officers of Detroit Local No. 7 Shipmasters' association was held yesterday afternoon at the club rooms, corner Jefferson and Woodward avenues. Considering this was the first meeting of the winter and many of the Detroit vessel masters have not yet returned from their season's work the attendance was good, between 50 and 60 members being present and participated in the election.

Capt. William J. Crosby, was elected president; William McLean, first vice-president; Capt. M. G. McIntosh, second vice-president; Capt. T. LeMay, treasurer; Capt. Enos J. Burke, secretary; Capt. William McAlpin, Marshal; Capt. James Skifferton, chaplain; Capt. Daniel Kelley, warden, and Capt. A. H. Shaffer, sentinel. The choice was unanimous throughout. Capt. H. H. Parsons was chosen delegate to the grand lodge session.

On Thursday evening, January 8, the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Shipmasters' association will give their annual housewarming party and luncheon in the rooms of the association. Upon this occasion the ladies will entertain the vessel masters. After other festivities a card party will be the order of the evening.

The tenth annual ball of the association will be given at Masonic hall Wednesday evening, January 21. Finney's two orchestras will furnish the music.

CAPT. W. J. CROSBY TAKES NEW HONORS

**Detroit is Made President of
Grand Lodge of Shipmas-
ters' Association.**

Captain William J. Crosby, of Detroit, was elected grand president of the grand lodge of the Shipmasters' association, Friday, at the annual meeting of the grand lodge in Toronto, Ont. Cleveland was selected as the meeting place of the grand lodge in January, 1917.

The officers elected by the grand lodge are: President, William J. Crosby, Detroit; first vice-president, A. W. Stalker, Toledo; secretary, W. G. Hounstl, Chicago; treasurer, J. H. McDonald, Marine City. Other officers are to be appointed by the newly elected president.

A new constitution for the Shipmasters' association was approved. The delegates completed the business of the meeting and adjourned, Friday afternoon.

Few vessel masters have a wider circle of friends and acquaintances than Captain William J. Crosby, who was selected for the distinction of president of the grand lodge of the shipmasters. For 22 years he served as master of the steamer C. H. Starke, first in the service of Herman Hoeft & Son and later for the Loud-Hoeft Lumber company, which took over the business of the other firm.

He retired from the lakes in November, 1913, to become purchasing agent for the Michigan Sulphite Fiber company, of Port Huron, but has retained his membership in Detroit lodge No. 7 of the Shipmasters' association.

Captain Crosby is recognized among his associates as a man of action and resourcefulness. To his efforts are credited a number of achievements for the organization. As a member of a special committee of the grand lodge, four years ago, he aided in obtaining a modification of an objectionable regulation relating to eye tests required of applicants for master or pilot's licenses. Three years ago, in behalf of the Lumber Carriers' association, he obtained modification of regulations relating to inspection of wooden steamers.

MARINE

SHIPMASTERS KEEP CROSBY AS LEADER

Detroit is Re-elected Grand Lodge President for Third Term.

Delegates Indorse Decrease in Compensation for Steam- boat Inspectors.

Delegates attending the annual meeting of the grand lodge of the International Shipmasters' association, in the Hotel Cadillac, Detroit, Thursday, conferred on Capt. William J. Crosby, of Detroit, a distinction unprecedented in the history of the organization in re-electing him by a unanimous vote for a third term as grand president of the grand lodge.

For many years the grand lodge custom was to accord only one term to its grand president. So satisfactory was the administration of grand lodge affairs following the election of Capt. Crosby as grand president at the annual meeting in Toronto two years ago, that at the annual meeting in Cleveland last year, he was prevailed on to accept a second term. Action of the grand lodge delegates Thursday continues his administration throughout the coming year.

Other Grand Lodge Officers.

The other grand lodge officers elected are: Grand first vice-president, Capt. Frank A. Dority, Milwaukee; grand treasurer, Capt. John D. Baird, Marine City; grand financial secretary, Capt. M. F. Morgan, Chicago, who is re-elected.

Officers appointed by the grand president are: Grand second vice-president, Walter Grashaw, Cleveland; grand chaplain, Capt. Tyler J. Crockett, Port Huron; grand marshal, Capt. Henry Stewart, Algonac; grand warden, Capt. George Crawford, Buffalo; grand sentinel, Capt. D. F. Deville, Toledo.

In the installation ceremonies following the election, Capt. Milward M. Stewart, of Algonac, past grand president of the grand lodge, officiated as installing officer.

Among the resolutions adopted by the grand lodge in its meeting Thursday was one recommending the enactment of legislation by congress granting an increase in salaries to United States local inspectors of steam vessels. Several measures providing for an increase in salaries of the inspectors are now pending before congress. Action recommending higher salaries for men in the steamboat inspection service also was taken at the annual meeting of the Lake Carriers' association in the Hotel Statler, Thursday, last week.

Service Now Poorly Paid.

In behalf of the movement for increased salaries for men in the steamboat inspection service, it is pointed out that those employed in that branch of government work have not shared the higher salaries given men in other lines of government service, some of which impose a lesser degree of individual responsibility, but have remained at the same level for many years.

Because of the small salaries, and the responsibility of the work, it is argued an injustice is being done those who have spent years in the service, while, with the rising costs of living no incentive is created to attract capable men to seek appointment, the present salaries being lower in many instances than are paid to masters and engineers in the employ of ship-owning corporations.

Another resolution approved by the grand lodge embodies a recommendation that the government adopt the plan of licensing navigating officers for life as a substitute for the present system of requiring periodical renewal of licenses. The continuous license system is in effect in the merchant fleet of Great Britain and other nations.

Recommendations relating to changes and improvement of a number of aids to navigation were approved and will be referred to the Lake Carriers' association committee on aids to navigation, of which Captain S. E. Allen is chairman, with the request that effort be made to obtain the modifications and improvements desired.