

Spirit of apathy

"It is with pleasure I announce that it has been my good fortune to be able to visit every Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction, and to report that the outlook for increased membership and prosperity was never brighter; and, if the interest now evident does not abate, we may confidently look forward to a large addition to the number of Royal Arch Masons during the ensuing Masonic year. But, while we feel exultant because of progress made and hopeful as to our future growth, we must not be blind to the fact that there are many Companions scattered throughout the Jurisdiction who are cold-hearted and careless and who seem to think they owe nothing either to themselves or to their Chapters, and that they may absent themselves with impunity. Oh! for some way by which we might arouse them from their lukewarmness and indifference and make them see something of the beauty and learn something of the high and ennobling principles of Capitular Masonry! Inability to appreciate or failure to grasp intelligently the meaning of the great truths inculcated in the several degrees or else an indifference to what they teach is, in my humble opinion, responsible for the spirit of apathy so apparent in some of the Companions."

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