

King Hiram's Lodge Will Mark Its Founding 150 Years Ago

**Charter Signed And Jewels Made By Paul Revere—
Highest State Dignitaries Will Come To Provincetown**

King Hiram's Lodge, A. F. & A. M., one of the very earliest Masonic lodges to be instituted in Massachusetts, with a charter signed in 1796 by Paul Revere, then Grand Master of the State, and with jewels fashioned by that famous patriot-silversmith, will celebrate its 150th anniversary this weekend with events which will bring here the leading Masonic dignitaries of the Commonwealth.

When King Hiram's Lodge was founded 150 years ago John Young was its first master and other Provincetown men serving with him were Jonathan Cook, Senior Warden; Benjamin Wilcox, Junior Warden, Samuel Cook, Secretary; Solomon Cook, Treasurer, George Nickerson, Senior Deacon; Abner Dunham, Junior Deacon; Jonathan Nickerson, Senior Steward; Thomas Smalley, Junior Steward; Stephen Atkins, Tyler.

Charter members were John Young, Samuel Waterman, George Nickerson, Joshua A. Mayo, Lewis Hamlin, Thomas Smalley, Jonathan Cook, Allen Hinckley, Samuel Newcomb, Samuel Cook, Benjamin Wilcox, Solomon Cook, Abner Dunham, Stephen Atkins and Jonathan Nickerson.

(Althea's Great Great)
(Great Grandfather.)

A wonderful hostelry was that of the Alstrom House situated on the corner where the Masonic Building now stands. This hotel was the end of the old stage coach route. It was moved to make room for the building now occupying the grounds, and is made up not only of the Atlantic House, but the hotel's annex as well as four other houses on the southern side of Lothrop's Hill. These buildings were all wings of the main building and were severed from the main and moved back to make cosy homes for the increasing population of our town.

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— King Hiram Lodge has accepted an invitation of Plymouth Lodge to become its guests and participate in the procession at the dedication of the Pilgrim National Monument at Plymouth on Thursday, August 1st.—[Advocate.]

Yarmouth Register April 26, 1890

— Marine Lodge of Old Fellows are having quite a large amount of work, and are busy every Wednesday evening on some of the degrees, the additions are some of our best young men, and are coming right along.

Yarmouth Register June 23, 1888

OBITUARY.

MR. BENJ. D. ATKINS, a well-known citizen of Provincetown, died at that place last week, aged 55 years. He was a popular sail-maker, represented his District in the Legislature two terms, and was a member of King Hiram Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons.

