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NEW MASONIC TEMPLE  
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JOSHUA ROBINSON  
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Baltimore, Md., January 11th, 1921.

Edward M. Stevens.

New London, Conn.

My very Dear sir, and brother. I suppose you think very strange of me not writing you ere this. But it will show you that we were not afraid to go ahead, and do your bidding, and wait our time to report, to you and your lodge our work, with the small amount of one Hack, which was \$6.00. I might explain, that had brother Tillman been a Past Master, that ## I would have had our grand officers perform the sad rites, but as he was only a Master Mason, I had to have a committee from one of our subordinate lodges take charge, although your humble servant was present, and assisted. I hope ere this you have seen his Dear Wife, who may have told you of our effort to properly represent true masonry, the reason I say this is because, we unfortunately have a few so-called Compacts here, and they tried in every way they could to take charge, but his Wife, insisted upon having me, she knowing me to be a mason, her brother who is now dead, being a member of one of our lodges. So she did not go wrong. We would not have had those Renegades to have touched your brother, for nothing in this world. I was sorry

you made it so late in sending me the order, as I learned he died on thursday night, and your telegram did not reach me until after nine o'clock Sunday night, I went at once to the funeral house, but it was too late then to get a committee, for ten o'clock Monday morning, but the Family redially agreed to wait until Tuesday morning, the 23rd. It happen that one of our own members, brother S.T. Hemsley was the Undertaker, so we are glad to report to Jephtha Lodge No 11. F & A.M. Of New London, Conn, thru brother Edward M. Stevens. That your humble servant assisted a committee from Morning Star lodge No 44. F & A.M. With our R.W. Grand Marshall brother Luther Oliver of Prince Hall lodge No 38. As I have said had brother Tillman been a Past Master I would have taken charge for our grand lodge, but as he was not, I could not ask that lodge to pay for the Hack. While we had several, who went both to the funeral house, and also to the Church, and assisted in our ceremonies, yet we tried to not make a large bill for your lodge. (Over)

*to Pay*



Trusting, that our efforts have met your lodges approval, and stand ready at any time to assist, or confer any honors, or any thing else, that is expected of full fledged masons. This is the spirit that is instilled into the breast of each master mason, when he is raised to the sublime degree of a Master in this jurisdiction.

Trusting, that God blessings may ever rest upon your lodge and the Craft in Connecticut and Jurisdiction. Permitting me to convey my highest regards to your grand Master, and a few of whom I have had the good fortune to have met, namely W. A. Tribbet, G. W. Crawford, and J. E. Hatcher.

I have the honor to remain, yours fraternally.

Joseph P. Evans.  
Grand Master.

P.S. If you will kindly remit to me, I will forward Undertakers receipt.