

## DUTCH LODGES MENTIONED IN LANE'S MASONIC RECORDS (LONDON 1895).

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(Throughout this paper I first quote the reference in Lane, and then append my own Notes. The order of the Lodges is that in which they appear in Lane.)

### I. IN THE NETHERLANDS.

#### 1. P. 68. . . . THE HAGUE, Holland, 1735.

Doubtless the Lodge known in Dutch Masonic History, established 24 Oct. 1735, afterwards known as "Lodge Le Véritable Zèle." It soon became dormant, but was revived in 1744, and with other Lodges formed the G.L. of the Netherlands in 1756.

Erased in 1769.

*Note.*—The first Lodge in the United Provinces of Holland was founded in the Hague by Vincent la Chapelle 8 Nov. 1734, under the title "Loge du Grand Maître des Provinces Unies et du ressort de la Généralité." In a document of the Archives of G.L.N. (Grand Lodge of the Netherlands), not signed, but very likely written by Louis Dagrau and printed as an annex of the Minutes of G.L.N. in 1854,<sup>1</sup> it is stated under No. 3 that on 23 Nov. 1734, François Liégeois went to London to ask for a Warrant of Constitution and that this Bro. sent in March 1735, "une légitime constitution de la Grande Loge de Londres signée dans toutes les formes" together with Anderson's Constitutions. It *did not change* its title to "Le Véritable Zèle," as Bro. Lane supposes, but according to the List of G.L.N. (1931) to "L'Union"; about 1752 it took the title "La Sincérité," afterwards again the title "L'Union." On 31 March it amalgamated with "La Royale," and since then it exists as "L'Union ROYALE Lodge," now No. 1 on List of G.L.N.

The second Lodge in Holland "De la Paix" was established in 1735 at Amsterdam under a Scottish Constitution,<sup>2</sup> now No. 4 on List of G.L.N.

The third Lodge in Holland, the *second* in the Hague, was "Le Véritable Zèle," consecrated by Jean Corneille Radermacher on 24 Oct. 1735. In the document above named he is called on p. 59: "le Premier Grand Maître de notre illustre Ordre." The first W. Master of this Lodge was Louis Dagrau.

These three Lodges were closed by the orders of the Dutch authorities in December, 1735, but re-opened on 22 March, 1744. With the consent of the G.M. Radermacher the D.G.M. Louis Dagrau was W.M. of the two Lodges in the Hague.

<sup>1</sup> RESGLUTIEN van het Groot Oosten der Orde van Vrijmetselaren in het Koninkrijk der Nederlanden Etc., 5854. Bijlage H. p. 57-61 (1734-1756).

<sup>2</sup> Gould, *History* iii., p. 203, calls the "Concordia Vincit Animos" "the only Lodge of Scottish origin ever warranted in Holland." In the list G.L.N. (1931) it is stated that "De la Paix" got a Constitution through Bro. H. Lijnslager after having received the consent of Scotland.

## 2. P. 71. . . . AMSTERDAM, Holland . . .

This only appears in the List in *Ahiman Rezon* of 1813, as "Constituted in Amsterdam." but nothing is known of it. There are no entries respecting it in Minute Books or Registers.

*Note.*—As neither name nor date is given, it is not easy to say which Lodge may be meant here. Nevertheless, there is every probability that it is "Het Heeren Logement Lodge," founded in 1749 under Dutch Constitution. In the List of G.L.N. it is said that it received a Constitution Warrant from England on 30 Nov. 1753, and that it then took the name of "La Fidélité." In the Records I find neither the latter name nor the former. The first W.M. of this Lodge was Daniel Hogguer.

## 3. P. 92. LODGE OF ORANGE. City of ROTTERDAM, Holland 5 May 1749.

Did not join G.L. of Holland. Must have died about 1756.

Erased from English Register in 1769.

*Note.*—Dutch Constitution 25 May, 1748, English Constitution 5 May 1749.<sup>1</sup> It had a large number of members belonging to the English, Scottish, Dutch, French and German nations. After the departure of the founder and first W.M., Bro. Schomberg, the members could not agree as to the choice of his successor. The Scottish members were the first to separate; they met among themselves without Constitution, but for a short time only. The Lodge must have died before 1756.

## 4. P. 97. . . . THE HAGUE, Holland 1752.

No trace of this Lodge in Dutch Masonic History.

Erased in 1769.

*Note.*—Here as with No. 2 it is difficult to say with certainty which Lodge may be meant. Very likely it was "La Royale," which is said to have received an English W. of C. (G.M. Carysfort) on 22 Nov. 1752. After acknowledging the authority of the D.G.M., G.M. *ad interim*, Louis Dagrau, it invited the other Dutch Lodges to be present at a meeting on 25 Dec. 1756, to discuss the proposed founding of a Grand Lodge of the Netherlands on the following day. It was one of the 10 foundation Lodges. (See also Note to No. 1.)

## 5. P. 100. LODGE LA BIEN AIMÉE. AMSTERDAM, Holland 30 Nov. 1753.

Joined Grand Lodge of Holland in 1757, but was kept on our Register until 1769. Now No. 4 on Reg. of G.L. of Holland.

*Note.*—This Lodge is one of the 10 foundation Lodges of the G.L.N. 1756. Now No. 2 on Register of G.L.N.

## 6. P. 101. SINGULAR ANCIENT LODGE. AMSTERDAM, Holland 18 Nov. 1762.

No records after 1762, and like No. 48 (A) it appears in *Ahiman Rezon* of 1813 without any justification.

*Note.*—In the List of G.L.N. (1931) are mentioned on p. 16-17 two Lodges opened in Amsterdam 1762: "Les Sept Frères Réunis" and "Virtutis

<sup>1</sup> *Nederlandsch Jaarboekje voor Vrijmetselaren* 1889, p. 160.

et Artis Amici." (See No. 11 and No. 12.) It is not possible to say which Lodge may be meant here.

7. P. 109. LODGE OF CHARITY. AMSTERDAM, Holland 24 June 1755.

Joined the Grand Lodge of Holland in 1757, but was not removed from English Reg. until 1769. Now No. 3 on Reg. of G.L. of Holland.

*Note.*—Was in existence, and known as "La Charité," before this date, and certainly on 15 Feb. 1753. One of the 10 foundation Lodges of G.L. 1756 and now No. 6 on Reg. of G.L.N. A Copy of the Deputation by D.G.M. Manningham is in the Archives of G.L.N.

8. P. 112. LODGE OF PEACE. AMSTERDAM, Holland 23 Sept. 1756.

Joined G.L. of Holland in 1757, but was retained on English Register until 1769. Now No. 2 on Reg. of G.L. of Holland.

*Note.*—Also mentioned in Prichard's *Masonry Dissected* (1774), but not known in Dutch Masonic History. The List of G.L.N. mentions two Lodges with similar titles: (a) "De la Paix" under the Scottish Constitution since 1735; it took the name of "La Bien Aimée" after the re-opening on 20 Dec. 1754. It is one of the 10 foundation Lodges 1756 and now No. 2 in the List of G.L.N. (b) "La Paix" under the Dutch Constitution since 21 Feb. 1755. Also one of the 10 foundation Lodges, now No. 4 on Reg. of G.L.N.

9. P. 116. LODGE OF REGULARITY. AMSTERDAM, Holland 21 Nov. 1757.

Erased in 1769.

*Note.*—Also mentioned in Prichard's *Masonry Dissected* (1774), but not known in Dutch Masonic History, nor is it mentioned in the List of G.L.N.

10. P. 124. ROYAL FREDERICK LODGE. City of ROTTERDAM, Holland 25 Jan. 1762.

No trace of its existence after 1767. It does not appear to have joined the G.L. of Holland.

Erased from English Reg. in 1813.

*Note.*—This Lodge was established in 1759 and joined G.L.N. in 1765, but on a difference about some formalities in relation to the initiations, some members sent the Warrant back to the G.L.N. and applied for a fresh Warrant to the Moderns G.L. The other members begged to have the Warrant returned to them, and this was granted by G.L.N. on 20 June 1762, with permission to take the title of "La Persévérance," and then the "Frédéric Royal" was erased from Reg. G.L.N.<sup>1</sup> It remained working, however, under English Constitution, but joined Dutch G.L. again in 1786. About 1857 it closed for a very short time, and re-opened in 1858. Now No. 8 on the Reg. G.L.N.

11. P. 128. LODGE OF SEVEN UNITED BRETHREN } AMSTERDAM,  
"LA LOGE DES FRÈRES RÉUNIS" } Holland  
16 June 1762.

Nothing more is known of this Lodge. It was erased in 1769.

*Note.*—Mentioned in the List of G.L.N. under the title of "Les Sept Frères Réunis," but in Dutch Masonic History nothing is known of this Lodge.

<sup>1</sup> H. Maarschalk: *Geschiedenis van de Orde der Vrijmetselaren, onderhoorige Koloniën en Landen* (Breda 1872), p. 65.

12. P. 129. VIRTUTES ET ARTIS AMICI. AMSTERDAM, Holland  
16 Sept. 1762.

Erased in 1769.

*Note.*—After 1762 it worked as a section of the Lodge “Concordia Vincit Animos” (1757)<sup>1</sup> under Dutch Constitution, but soon disagreements arose between the different members. G.L.N. had called a Committee on 31 July 1763 to examine the differences and to restore peace. As they did not succeed the old members of “Virtutes et Artis Amici” separated from the Lodge “Concordia V.A.” and got a proper Dutch Warrant. Declared vacant in 1778.<sup>2</sup>

13. P. 1433. LODGE OF PERSEVERANCE. AMSTERDAM, Holland  
1765.

Erased in 1769.

*Note.*—Not known in Dutch Masonic History, nor is it mentioned in the List G.L.N.

14. P. 157. BRITISH UNION. City of ROTTERDAM, Holland 1 Aug.  
1767.

Was kept on Register until 1813, and then erased.

*Note.*—Mentioned in the *Nederlandsch Jaarboekje* of 1860 (p. 178) and in that of 1867 (p. 99), but nothing is known of it in Dutch Masonic History. Must have died before 1807, for it is not mentioned in the List of the 39 Lodges then existing.<sup>3</sup>

15. P. 157. LODGE OF THE THREE PILLARS. City of ROTTERDAM,  
Holland. 21 Aug. 1767.

Retained on Register until 1813, and then erased. Still exists on Reg. of G. Orient of the Netherlands.

*Note.*—It remained under English Constitution till 1783. Since then it has worked under Dutch Constitution under the name of “De Drie Kolommen” and is now No. 13 on Reg. G.L.N.

16. P. 161. LA VICTORIE. } City of ROTTERDAM, Holland  
“Le Victorie,” 1768-78. } 17 March 1768.

No return since 1781. Was kept on Register until 1813. Does not appear to have joined the G.L. of Holland.

*Note.*—It is mentioned in the *Nederlandsch Jaarboekje* of 1860 (178) and in that of 1867 (p. 99); also in the *Engraved List of 1776*, but not in the Dutch List of 1807 of the then existing Lodges.

17. P. 165. SUN LODGE. FLUSHING (Prov. of Zealand), Holland 3 Feb.  
1769.

Erased in 1813. Nothing more is known of the Lodge.

*Note.*—Mentioned in the *Nederlandsch Jaarboekje* of 1867 (p. 99) and in that of 1889 (p. 168). The choice was given to this Lodge to join the G.L. of

<sup>1</sup> *Almanach des Francs Maçons pour 1779.*

<sup>2</sup> H. Maarschalk, *op. cit.*, p. 66 and p. 76.

<sup>3</sup> H. Maarschalk. *op. cit.*, p. 118.

Holland or continue working under the English Pr.G.M. for foreign Lodges. Must have died before 1807.<sup>1</sup>

## II. NETHERLANDS: WEST INDIES.

### A. ISLANDS.

1. P. 57. . . . Island of St. EUSTATIUS, West Indies 1813.

Is only mentioned in *Ahiman Rezon* of 1813. Very doubtful if it ever existed, there being no entry in Minutes or Registers.

*Note.*—Not known in Dutch Masonic History, neither in the List G.L.N., but mentioned in the *Allg. Handbuch der Freimaurerei* (Leipzig 1900), II., p. 305: "In 1813 once more a Lodge was erected by the English G. L. of the Antients, but this also soon lapsed."<sup>2</sup>

2. P. 90. A NEW LODGE } Island of St. Eustatius (Dutch Island) West  
3. P. 104. No. 2. } Indies, 6 June 1747 and 1754. Not in List  
until 1755. Erased in 1813.

*Note.*—The Lodge FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS was constituted on 6 Jan. 1747. I have dealt with these Lodges in detail in my paper on the Lodges in St. Eustatius.

4. P. 180. UNION LODGE, Named in 1774. Island of St. EUSTATIUS, West Indies 1772. Erased in 1813.

*Note.*—Not known in Dutch Masonic History, neither in List of G.L.N.

5. P. 196. UNION LODGE. Island of CURAÇOA, West Indies 1775. Erased in 1813.

*Note.*—In Dutch List (1931) is mentioned L'Union, 1774, Curaçao: Opened on 12 Oct. 1774, closed about 1800. H. Maarschalk (p. 403) says: When Bro. John Jones was appointed Prov. G.M. of Curaçoa a new Lodge, l'Union, was opened on 12 Oct. 1774, but in 1800 it lapsed (p. 404).

6. P. 201. . . . 2nd B. EIGHTEENTH ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT OF FOOT. At Island of CURAÇOA, West Indies 1808.

7. P. 204. UNION LODGE, No. 1. Island of CURAÇOA, West Indies 1809. Erased 4 June 1862.

8. P. 243. LODGE OF CONTENTMENT AND BRITISH UNION. Island of CURAÇOA. West Indies 1811. Erased in 1820.

9. P. 303. IGUALDAD LODGE. Island of CURAÇOA, West Indies 1855. Date of Warrant 10 July 1855.

*Note.*—These four Lodges were without doubt ENGLISH Lodges, and are not known in Dutch Masonic History, nor are they in the Dutch List. In

<sup>1</sup> H. Maarschalk, *op. cit.*, p. 118.

<sup>2</sup> The Handbuch calls St. Eustatius a DANISH Island!

Carpentier Alting's *Woordenboek voor Vrijmetselaren* (Haarlem, 1881) are mentioned:—

- (a) Union Lodge, erected 1780 (now dormant) and
- (b) Igualdad Lodge, erected 1855,

“both English Lodges.”

#### B. SURINAM.

P. 483. . . . Dutch Guiana. SURINAM. 1761.

(Not registered in the Books of G.L. of England.)

*Note.*—The Lodge “Concordia” in Paramaribo (Surinam), was officially opened on 17 Sept. 1761, but had been working for some time before. It remained working until 19 Aug. 1770, when it became dormant for want of a sufficient number of members.<sup>1</sup> It was re-opened in August 1773, and is now No. 9 in the List of G.L.N. (1931).

<sup>1</sup> H. Maarschalk, *op. cit.*, p. 402.

