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Mr. G. Edward Park,
 Biloxi, Miss.

Dear Sir & Brother:-

Your letter of the 29th. ultimo was duly received and the message delivered to Brother Power, Grand Secretary, who says he will forward the Proceedings requested, with some other articles appropriate for use on the occasion.

It is not my purpose to carry with me to Biloxi any person to act as Grand Marshal on the occasion, nor do I suppose the Grand Marshal will be present. It is always better to have some resident of the city and a member of the local lodge to act as Grand Marshal on such occasions because of his familiarity with the surroundings &c. I shall therefore expect some competent Brother there to act as Grand Marshal, and hope some such will be selected, and that he will qualify himself for the service.

For information as to preparations and ceremonies I refer to the Blue Lodge Text Book, beginning at page 205.

We cannot now tell what effect the recent excitement about Yellow will be, but hope it will soon subside and that it will not interfere with our meeting, as I am very desirous to be present.

Fraternally yours,
 Grand Master.