

# 10,000 FAMOUS FREEMASONS

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ager of Randall & McAllister, wholesale coal from 1894; served in the state house of representatives 1903-04; state senator, 1905-08 and was mayor of Portland from 1911-14. Mason, 32° AASR (NJ). d. Feb. 22, 1924.

**Sir Roger Curtis** Admiral in British Navy. Made a Mason in Phoenix Lodge No. 257, Portsmouth, Eng. on Aug. 1, 1787.

**Samuel R. Curtis (1807-1866)** Union Major General in Civil War. b. Feb. 3, 1807 in New York state, he graduated from U.S. Military Academy in 1831, but resigned from army in 1832 and became a civil engineer. He then studied law and practiced in Ohio from 1841-46. Active in the state militia, he was adjutant general of Ohio, and organized volunteers for the Mexican War. He served as colonel in that war, and was governor of Saltillo, Mexico in 1847-48. Elected to congress for three terms beginning in 1857, he resigned in 1861 to become colonel of the 2nd Iowa regiment. He was in charge of a large camp of instruction near St. Louis in 1861 and commanded the southwestern district of Mo. He gained a decisive victory at Pea Ridge, Ark. against Generals Price and McCulloch, and was promoted to major general in 1862. He later commanded Fort Leavenworth and defeated General Price's army, and at close of war was commander of the department of the Northwest. A Mason, he was buried by the Knights Templar. d. Dec. 26, 1866.

**Caleb Cushing (1800-1879)** Brigadier General of Mexican War and Attorney General of U.S. (1853-57). b. Jan. 17, 1800 at Salisbury, Mass., he graduated from Harvard in 1817, studied law and practiced at Newburyport, Mass. He served several terms in the state senate and house of representatives and was elected four terms to U.S. congress. He was nominated as secretary of the Treas-

ury by President Tyler, but the senate refused to seat him. He was subsequently confirmed as commissioner to China and made the first treaty between that country and the U.S. In 1847 he raised a regiment for the Mexican War at his own expense, and eventually became brigadier general. In 1853 President Pierce appointed him U.S. attorney general, and he held that office until he retired in 1857. Later he was sent to Bogota on a special diplomatic mission, and served as minister to Spain. He was a member of St. John's Lodge, Newburyport, Mass. d. Jan. 2, 1879.

**Nathaniel Cushing (1753-1814)** Major of the American Revolution who was first master of Farmers Lodge No. 20, Belpre, Ohio. b. April 8, 1753 in Pembroke, Mass. Fought with Massachusetts troops from 1775-1782 and at close of war moved to Belpre, Ohio. d. Aug. 1814.

**William Cushing (1732-1810)** First appointed Justice of U.S. Supreme Court (1789). In 1796 Washington named him chief justice, but he declined. b. March 1, 1732 in Scituate, Mass., he graduated from Harvard in 1751, studied law with Jeremy Gridley q.v. and became attorney general for Mass. In 1772 he became judge of the Massachusetts superior court and chief justice in 1777. In 1780 he was chosen the first chief justice of the state under the state constitution. He was one of the founders of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 1780 and was vice president of the Mass. convention that ratified the federal constitution. Member of St. Andrew's Lodge, Boston, Mass. d. Sept. 13, 1810.

**Nathan Cutler** Former Governor of Maine. Member of Maine Lodge No. 20, Farmington, Maine. Was delegate to the grand lodge in 1919.

**Richard R. Czerwonky (1886-1949)**